



WESTERN REGIONAL PANEL ON AQUATIC NUISANCE SPECIES

Annual Meeting
September 20-21, 2023

Double Tree Inn and Suites by Hilton
Salt Lake City, Utah

Pre-meetings – Tuesday September 19

WISCE – contact Tom Woolf for more information

Federal Agencies – contact Barak Shemai/John Wullschleger for more information

Other group Meetings as requested

Committee Meetings as determined by committee chairs

Day 1 – Wednesday September 20

8:30 – 8:40 am	Welcome	Dennis Zabaglo, Tahoe Regional Planning Agency, WRP Chair
8:40 – 8:50 am	Welcome from Utah	Justin Shirley, Director Division of Wildlife Resources
8:50 - 9:10 am	Keynote – The Great Salt Lake: Drought and Aquatic Invasive Species	Todd Adams, Deputy Executive Director Department of Natural Resources
9:10 – 10:10 am	Session Utah Perspectives on Invasive Species <i>Moderator: Dennis Zabaglo</i>	Provo River Delta Restoration Project – Russ Franklin, Central Utah Water Conservation District Dreissenid Mussel Management: A Collaborative Approach at Lake Powell NRA - Colleen Allen, National Park Service Advances in Technology to Streamline the Watercraft Inspection Process – Bruce Johnson, Utah Division of Wildlife Resources and Jason Bovee, Istonish
10:10 – 10:30 am	BREAK	
10:30 – 12:00 am	Session European Green Crab West Coast Management <i>Moderator: Chris Scianni</i>	Status of European Green Crab Emergency Measures in Washington State – Allen Pleus, Washington Dept. of Wildlife British Columbia Response and Management of European Green Crab – Renny Talbot, Fisheries Ocean Canada (virtual)

		<p>Alaska Preparation and Response to European Green Crab – Tammy Davis, Alaska Department of Fish and Game</p> <p>Revision of the National European Green Crab Management Plan – Theresa Thom, US Fish and Wildlife Service and Ted Grosholz, UC Davis</p>
12:00 – 1:30 pm	LUNCH	Sponsored by Istonish
1:30 – 2:30 pm	<p>Session Coastal Issues <i>Moderator: Leah Elwell</i></p>	<p>Status of the Vessel Incidental Discharge Act Implementation in Pacific States of CA, WA, OR and HI – Allen Pleus, WDFW and Chris Scianni, CA State Lands Commission</p> <p>Stony Coral Tissue Loss Disease: An Overview – Nicholas Rosenau, US EPA (virtual)</p> <p>Commercial Ship In-water Hull Cleaning and Environmental Risks - Chris Scianni, CA State Lands Commission</p>
2:30 – 3:30 pm	<p>Session AIS Information Access: An Exploration of Database Resources <i>Moderator: Tom Boos</i></p>	<p>USGS Non-Indigenous Aquatic Species Database Advancements – Wes Daniels, US Geological Survey (virtual)</p> <p>EDDMapS and Wild Spotter - How Aquatic Invasive Species Reports are Handled – Chuck Barger, University of Georgia</p> <p>SIREN: The National EDRR Information System – Amy Wray and Sara Piccolomini, US Geological Survey</p>
3:30 – 3:45	BREAK	
3:45 – 5:00 pm	<p>Session Control and Eradication Efforts <i>Moderator: Barak Shemai</i></p>	<p>Invasive Aquatic Plant Management in Nebraska- Kris Stahr, Nebraska Game and Fish</p> <p>Eradication of Nonnative Rusty Crayfish? - Rick Boatner, Oregon Dept of Fish and Wildlife</p> <p>Australian Red Claw Crayfish Eradication Efforts in the Clark County Wetlands Park and Las Vegas Wash - Kevin Netcher, Nevada Dept of Wildlife</p> <p>Zebra Mussel Eradication Effort at Highline Lake - Robert Walters, Colorado Parks and Wildlife</p>
5:00 – 6:00 pm	Social Hour	Sponsored by CD3 Systems

Day 2 – Thursday September 21

8:30 – 8:40 am	Welcome	Dennis Zabaglo, Tahoe Regional Planning Agency, WRP Chair
8:40 – 9:00 am	Membership Summary Report	Tom Wolf, Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks, WRP Vice Chair
9:00 – 10:20 am	<p style="text-align: center;">Session Technology and Research <i>Moderator: Robert Walters</i></p>	<p>iTrack and Readi-Net Standardizations for eDNA – Adam Sepulveda, US Geological Survey</p> <p>Mobile AIS Decontamination System for Firefighting Equipment – Garrett Atwood, Clean Wake and Michelle Cox, USDA Forest Service</p> <p>New Research to Eradicate Dreissenid Mussels - Steve Suhr, Biomilab (virtual)</p> <p>Apparent Eradication of Zebra Mussels (<i>Dreissena polymorpha</i>) from an Entire Lake using Low Doses of EarthTec QZ Ionic Copper - David Hammond, Earth Science Laboratories</p>
10:20 – 10:40 am	BREAK	
10:40 – 12:00 pm	<p style="text-align: center;">Session Business Meeting</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brief Committee Updates (25 minutes) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Coastal Committee ○ Education and Outreach ○ Field Sampling and Monitoring ○ Membership ○ WID Think Tank • Budget Report • Executive Committee Election Results • Annual Meeting 2024 Decision • Recommendation Suggestions • Legislative Update, Stephen Phillips, PSMFC • ANSTF Update, Susan Pasko, USFWS (virtual)
12:00 – 1:30 pm	LUNCH on your own	
1:30 – 2:30 pm	<p style="text-align: center;">Session Federal Panel Discussion on Coordination and Funding Priorities <i>Moderator: Dennis Zabaglo</i></p>	<p>US Department of the Interior – Hilary Smith (virtual)</p> <p>US Army Corps of Engineers – Jeremy Crossland (virtual)</p> <p>USDA Forest Service – Michelle Cox and Bill Janowski</p> <p>National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration – Deborah Lee (virtual)</p>
2:30 – 2:50 pm	BREAK	
2:50 – 4:10 pm	<p style="text-align: center;">Session AIS in Trade</p>	Lessons Learned from a National Response to the Moss Ball Incident – Sam Chan, Oregon Sea Grant, Tania Siemens, Oregon Sea Grant and Robyn Hopkins, Willamette University

	<i>Moderator: Tom Woolf</i>	<p>Unravelling the Legal Responsibilities of Parties Involved in AIS Commercial Transactions - Stephanie Showalter Otts, National Sea Grant Law Center (virtual)</p> <p>Don't Let it Loose Connects Industry, Agency, and Pet Owners - Sara Ricklefs, Invasive Species Action Network</p> <p>A North American Framework to Address AIS in Commerce – Leah Elwell, Conservation Collaborations and Lisa DeBruyckere, Creative Resource Strategies</p>
4:10 – 4:50 pm	<p>Session RAPID FIRE PRESENTATIONS 5-10 minutes <i>Moderator: Leah Elwell</i></p>	<p>Watercraft Inspection and Decontamination Training Online Delivery – Quagga D LLC</p> <p>Western Invasive Species Coordinating Effort (WISCE) Priorities – Tom Woolf, MT Fish, Wildlife & Parks</p> <p>AIS Management Success for the Confederated Salish Kootenai Tribe – Katie Finley-Squeque, Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes</p> <p>Ploidy Grass Carp Management – Patrick Kocovsky, USGS and Great Lakes Panel (virtual)</p>
4:55 – 5:00 pm	PUBLIC COMMENT	

Day 3 – Friday September 22

7:45 am		Meet at hotel lobby for transportation
8:00 am – 1:00 pm	<p>Field Trip Hosted by Utah Division of Wildlife Resources</p>	<p>Travel to Utah Lake</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Demonstration of a Clean Wake Watercraft Decontamination Tank • Watershed Restoration work to protect endemic fish species.
1:00 pm	Return to Hotel	