

Michigan Aquatic Nuisance Species Council

The Michigan Aquatic Nuisance Species Council was created by Executive Order of the Governor 2002-21 in November, 2002. The Order implements a primary recommendation of the multi-stakeholder group that developed Michigan's Aquatic Nuisance Species Management Plan Update, released in October, 2002. The purpose of the Council is to advise the Office of the Great Lakes and the Departments of Environment Quality, Natural Resources, Agriculture and Transportation on implementation of the updated plan, including: the state's efforts to prevent and control aquatic nuisance species' introduction and spread within Michigan; information/education activities about aquatic nuisance species; the coordination of research and monitoring activities pertaining to aquatic nuisance species; and revising and updating Michigan's Aquatic Nuisance Species State Management Plan as necessary.

There are 9 members on the Council representing the directors of the above 4 state departments plus at large members for 2003 representing Michigan Sea Grant, the Cooperative Institute for Limnological and Ecological Research, Michigan Lake and Stream Association, and the Great Lakes Fishery Commission. The at large members are appointed by the Governor on a 2 year rotating basis. The Council is chaired by the Director of the Office of the Great Lakes.

The Council meets 2 times per year in the spring and fall and meetings are open to the public. Meeting announcements and agendas are posted as available on this web site.

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