## Great Lakes Panel on Aquatic Nuisance Species Updates

Great Lakes Panel Meeting April 29-30, 2014 | South Bend, Indiana

## Nominating Committee Report

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#### Nominating Committee

- Appointed by Executive Committee
- Luke Skinner, Phil Moy, Kevin Irons, Becky Cudmore

#### Open Positions

- Vice Chair
- Committee Chairs
- > At Large positions (2 vacant; 4 up for re-election)
  - Sophie Bull, Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters
  - Lindsay Chadderton, The Nature Conservancy
  - Craig Middlebrook, St. Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation
  - Chris Weeks, North Central Regional Aquaculture Center

## 2014 Great Lakes Panel Elections

#### Panel Chair

- John Navarro, Ohio Department of Natural Resources
- Panel Vice-Chair (Chair Elect)
  - Bob Wakeman, Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources
- Chair, Information and Education Committee
  - Doug Jensen, Minnesota Sea Grant
- Chair, Research Coordination Committee
  - Lindsay Chadderton, The Nature Conservancy
- Chair, Policy Coordination Committee
  - Sarah LeSage, Michigan Department of Environmental Quality

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#### At-Large Members – Newly/Re-elected (4 year term)

- Sophie Bull, Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters
- Lindsay Chadderton, The Nature Conservancy
- Craig Middlebrook, St. Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation
- Chris Weeks, North Central Regional Aquaculture Center
- Marc Smith, National Wildlife Federation
- At-Large Members Continuing (2 yrs. left in term)
  - Doug Jensen, Minnesota Sea Grant
  - Pat Conzemius, Wildlife Forever
- One At-Large member vacancy

## Report on Action Items

# Other Updates

## Great Lakes Panel Membership Changes

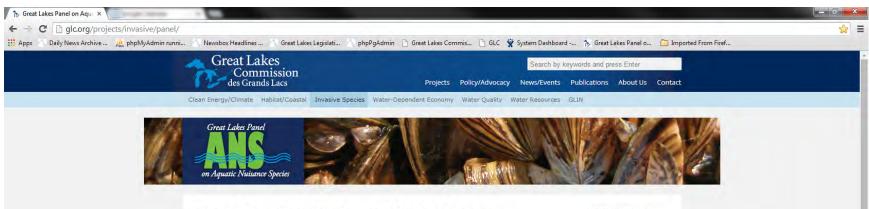
- U.S. Geological Survey
  - New member: Patrick Kocovsky
  - Alternate: Don Schloesser
- NOAA
  - New member: Felix Martinez
- Ohio Sea Grant
  - New alternate: Tory Gabriel, Ohio Sea Grant

#### Procedural Note:

New representatives to serve on the GLP <u>require a formal</u> <u>letter of appointment from affiliated agency</u>

### Great Lakes Panel Website

#### http://glc.org/projects/invasive/panel/



#### Great Lakes Panel on Aquatic Nuisance Species

The mission of the Great Lakes Panel is to coordinate the development of education, research and policy to prevent new aquatic invasive species from entering the Great Lakes basin and to control and mitigate those AIS populations already established.

#### Overview

Since 1991, the Great Lakes Panel on Aquatic Nuisance Species has worked to prevent and control the occurrence of aquatic invasive species (AIS) in the Great Lakes. This is an immense task, as more than 180 nonindigenous aquatic species have been introduced into the Great Lakes since the 1800s. Once established, these species must be managed and controlled, as they are virtually impossible to eradicate.

The Great Lakes Panel was officially convened in late 1991 in response to section 1203 of the Nonindigenous Aquatic Nuisance Prevention and Control Act of 1990 (P.L. 101-646), referred to as "NANPCA." In establishing the Great Lakes Panel on Aquatic Nuisance Species, Congress recognized that providing sound advice to the Aquatic Nuisance Species Task Force from experts in a highly-impacted region could make a substantial contribution to the collective management effort at both a regional and national level. Effective prevention and control efforts in the Great Lakes continue to be the first line of defense in slowing or preventing the spread of AIS to other regions of the country.

The Great Lakes Panel on Aquatic Nuisance Species is directed to perform the following tasks:

- Identify Great Lakes priorities
- Assist / make recommendations to a national <u>Aquatic Nuisance Species Task Force</u> (also established via P.L. 101-646)
- Coordinate exotic species program activities in the region
- Advise public and private interests on control efforts

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Reports

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