



Joint Meeting of the Great Lakes & Northeast Aquatic Nuisance Species Panels

May 22-24, 2012

Radisson Hotel Rochester Riverside
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Agenda

Tuesday, May 22, 2012

Panels meet separately

Great Lakes Panel (GLP) Meeting

Gleason Room

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| 1:00 p.m. | Welcome and Call to Order <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Roll Call• Agenda Review | Phil Moy , Outgoing GLP Chair,
Wisconsin Sea Grant |
| 1:15 p.m. | Great Lakes Panel Business <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Announcement of GLP election results• Installment of new GLP officers• Proposed changes to the GLP Guidance for Operations | |
| 2:00 p.m. | Committee Breakout Sessions <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Information/Education Committee• Research Coordination Committee• Policy Coordination Committee | Moderated by Committee Chairs |
| 4:00 p.m. | Break | |
| 4:15 p.m. | Committee Reports and Discussion <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Information/Education Committee• Research Coordination Committee• Policy Coordination Committee | Committee Chairs |
| 5:00 p.m. | Other GLP Business | Luke Skinner , Incoming GLP
Chair, Minnesota Dept. of Natural
Resources |
| 5:15 p.m. | Adjourn GLP meeting | |
| 5:30 p.m. | Joint Reception for GLP and NEANS Panel
<i>Riverview Lounge</i> | |
| 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. | Optional Workshop: Great Lakes Aquatic Plant Risk Assessment Tool | |

Tuesday, May 22, 2012 (continued)

Panels meet separately

Northeast Aquatic Nuisance Species Panel (NEANS) Meeting

8:30 a.m. Full Panel meeting: welcome, introductions, review of meeting agenda, and updates by Co-chair

Nancy Balcom, University of Connecticut and Ann Bove, VT Department of Environmental Conservation

ANS updates and Panel business:

- November 2011 meeting summary and February 2012 call summary acceptance – northeastans.org/meetings.htm
- November 2012 meeting in New Hampshire – Michele L. Tremblay, ANS Program Manager
- Spring 2013 meeting, possibly in collaboration with the International Didymo conference in March 2013 – Michele
- Schedule mid-term Panel conference call in August – Nancy, Ann, and Michele
- 2011-2012 NEANS Panel budget – Meg Modley, Treasurer
- ANS Task Force May meeting update – Nancy, Ann, and Michele
- Invasive Species Advisory Council and National Invasive Species Council – updates from members present

9:00 a.m. Highlights from the State of New York

Facilitated by Dave Adams, NYS Department of Environmental Conservation

9:30 a.m. Climate change and invasive species

Judy Pederson, MIT Sea Grant

9:45 a.m. Northeast ANS Roundtable¹ - very fast-paced, one-minute updates from each province, state, and industry, academic, and NGO member. The Panel will discuss possible formats for the next meeting's Roundtable including sending updates or possible blog on NortheastANS.org.

10:15 a.m. Break

10:30 a.m. NEANS Panel draft recommendations for Aquatic Nuisance Species Task Force for November 2012

11:00 a.m. Work plan presentation and Panel votes

12:00 p.m. Luncheon provided to Panelists with instruction to NEANS Panel Work Groups

12:45 p.m. New NortheastANS.org debut

Michele Tremblay with Jim Craddock, Yellahoose, LLC (via teleconference)

1:00 p.m. Aquatic Nuisance Species Panel joint meeting preparation and work group meeting time

Nancy and Ann

¹ For more detailed updates, please bring approximately 35 copies of your written handout

3:00 p.m. Meet in lobby: carpool to field trip to Braddock Bay Fish and Wildlife Management Area

Gregory Sargis, The Nature Conservancy, Central & Western NY Chapter

This is a project that will restore wetland function and habitat through channel and pothole construction in an area dominated by invasive cattail due to stabilized Lake Ontario water levels. The site also features control of small patches of common reed within the wetland and determining a management strategy for starry stonewort with early detection mapping and monitoring.

5:30 p.m. Joint reception with Great Lakes Panel

Riverview Lounge

6:30 p.m. Meet in hotel lobby for supper as a group

Wednesday, May 23, 2012

Panels meet jointly

Joint Meeting of GLP and NEANS Panel

8:30 a.m. Introductions, overview of agenda and joint meeting objectives

Luke Skinner, Chair, Great Lakes Panel, Minnesota Department of Natural Resources

Nancy Balcom, Co-Chair, NEANS Panel, University of Connecticut Sea Grant

Ann Bove, Co-chair, NEANS Panel, Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation

9:00 a.m. Ballast water management update

- U.S. Coast Guard Report on Ballast Water Discharge Standard Final Rule
- U.S. Environmental Report on Vessel General Permit Status
- Ballast Water Collaborative Update

Moderator: Luke Skinner
Lorne Thomas, U.S. Coast Guard

Marcus Zobrist, U.S. EPA

Marvourneen Dolor, St. Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation

Discussion: Challenges of coordinating ballast water management policy on a multijurisdictional level

10:30 a.m. Break

11:00 a.m. Organisms in trade experts panel

- Risk Assessment for Invasive Aquatic Species Arriving in the Great Lakes Through Trade
- U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Report on Outcomes of Organisms in Trade Risk Assessments
- Organisms in Trade Pathways in the Great Lakes

Moderator: Ann Bove
Reuben Keller, Loyola University

Mike Hoff, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

Becky Cudmore, Fisheries and Oceans Canada

- 12:30 p.m. Lunch**
Gleason Room
- **Presentation: ANS Task Force update** **Mike Goehle**, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
- 1:45 p.m. Update on the binational rapid response plan** **Lizhu Wang**, International Joint Commission
- 1:50 p.m. Instruction from Panels' co-chairs to organisms in trade joint work groups and assignment of groups with timekeepers and recorders and rooms** **Nancy Balcom**
- 2:00 p.m. Organisms in trade joint work group sessions**
- Prevention, Detection and Monitoring
 - Information, Education, and Outreach
 - Policy, Regulation, and Coordination
 - Research
- Moderators:**
Mike Goehle and Luke Skinner
Chuck O'Neill and Doug Jensen
Kevin Cute and Mike Murray
Leslie Surprenant and Phil Moy
- 4:00 p.m. General session reconvenes for reports from joint work groups** **Nancy Balcom and Kathe Glassner-Shwayder**
- 4:45 p.m. Next steps for joint work groups to continue collaboration** **Kathe Glassner-Shwayder and Michele Tremblay**
- 5:15 p.m. Meeting adjourns**

Thursday, May 24, 2012

Optional hydrilla workshop sponsored by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

8:00 a.m. - Hydrilla Workshop

12:00 p.m. In light of the growing concern about the introduction and spread of hydrilla in the northeastern US and the recent introduction to the Cayuga Lake Inlet (Finger Lake in central NY), the Northeast Aquatic Nuisance Species Panellists and Great Lakes Panellists are invited to participate in this half-day workshop on the morning, immediately following the joint Northeast Aquatic Nuisance Species Panel and Great Lakes Panel meetings. The workshop will report on the distribution and management of hydrilla in the northeast, with a focus on the Cayuga Inlet eradication project. Attendees will then explore the strategies used by northeastern states in addressing this major ecological, recreational, and economic threat, including early detection programs, rapid response protocols, streamlined permitting, public education and outreach, and sustained funding and local support. Finally, participants will outline and refine objectives for a late summer Northeastern Hydrilla Summit focusing on the biology, management, and future research needs for *monoecious Hydrilla*.