

Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) in Commerce Virtual Summit

Developing Strategies to Mitigate Risk | March 8, 2023, 10am-1pm Pacific Time

Goal: Convene diverse partners and stakeholders to identify gaps and set the stage to develop strategies and actions to minimize the risks posed by aquatic plants and pets in commerce.

Objective: Familiarize attendees with the key issues associated with AIS in commerce, the results of a recent survey of agency staff as well as buyers and sellers of aquatic plants and animals, and upcoming focus/work groups to identify key gaps and potential strategies and actions to lessen the risk of AIS spread in commerce.

10:00-10:10 am Pacific Time	Welcome/Project Overview and Goals Conservation Collaborations/Creative Resource Strategies/National Sea Grant Law Center
10:10am-10:30am	AIS in Commerce Agency, Buyer, and Seller November 2022 Survey Results Goal: create context for invasive species in commerce impacts and solutions
10:30am-12:30pm	Focal Area Presentations to Address Key Issues re: AIS in Commerce <ul style="list-style-type: none">● 10:30am – 10:45am Outreach and Education Lead Presenter: Tim Campbell, AIS Program Manager, Wisconsin Sea Grant● 10:45am – 11:00am Voluntary Industry Standards Lead Presenter: Christine Carriere, President and CEO, Pet Industry Joint Advisory Council (PIJAC), Canada● 11:00am – 11:15am AIS information infrastructure and access Lead Presenter: Kerry Wixted, Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies● 11:15am – 11:30am Labeling and Record Keeping Lead Presenter: Joe Hiduke, Wholesale Sales Manager, 5D Tropical, Inc.● 11:30am – 11:45am E-Commerce Presenter Team: Linda Walters, Pegasus Professor of Biology, University of Central Florida; Samantha Hamilton, National Sea Grant Law Center● 11:45am – NOON Monitoring, Inspection and Enforcement Lead Presenter: Gary Fish, State Horticulturist, Maine Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry● NOON – 12:15pm Regulations Lead Presenter: Stephanie Otts, Director, National Sea Grant Law Center; Robert Stroess, Wisconsin DNR Warden, Commercial Fish and Aquatic Species in Trade Enforcement Program Administrator
12:30pm-12:40pm	Analyzing Invoices for Invasive Species - A Novel Approach Michael Tlutsy, Associate Professor of Sustainability and Food Solutions, University of Massachusetts-Boston, will discuss an innovative trial project analyzing invoices for invasive species
12:40pm-12:55pm	Seven Work Groups to Address AIS in Commerce Focal Area Issues https://form.jotform.com/230166150474046
12:55 pm-1:00pm	Next Steps