

**WASHINGTON COUNTY
AQUATIC INVASIVE SPECIES (AIS) STRATEGIC PLAN
ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING**

Public Agency Center – Room 3224
West Bend, WI

October 23, 2012
3:01 p.m.

Members present: John Jung (Chairperson), Ardell Zimmer (Vice Chairperson), Dick Baumann, Bill Hilgendorf, Mark Rodenkirch, David Berganini

Absent: None

Excused: Kenneth Hebbe

Staff present: Deb Sielski-Deputy Administrator, Paul Sebo-County Conservationist, Paul Klein-AIS Coordinator, Joshua Glass-Planner, Fay Fitts-Administrative Secretary

Also present: None

CALL MEETING TO ORDER / REVIEW AGENDA – JOHN JUNG

The meeting was called to order at 3:01 p.m. The agenda had been reviewed by members.

AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING – JOHN JUNG

Mr. Jung read the affidavit of posting.

CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL – MINUTES 09/19/12 – JOHN JUNG

Mr. Berganini noted that “gardener” should be changed to “garner” within Agenda item #7 as listed within the minutes on page 2.

Motion by Mr. Berganini; seconded by Mr. Hilgendorf to approve the minutes reflecting the change requested by Berganini with no other additions or corrections. Motion carried unanimously.

REVIEW REVISIONS TO DRAFT CHAPTER 4 – JOSHUA GLASS

Mr. Glass reviewed the changes made to the chapter since the last meeting. The Committee concurred to making changes to address the following suggestions:

- Berganini suggested modifying the education goal listed on Page IV-2 to read “Educate residents and visitors of the County about the existence and impacts of AIS.”
- Rodenkirch suggested changing “pioneering” to “pioneer” within the fourth action listed under the control issue (on Page IV-7).
- Jung suggested adding language to the first action listed under the education issue (on Page IV-3) regarding potential penalties or fines.
- Berganini suggested adding numerous acronyms to the acronym page.

Glass will make the necessary changes to the chapter to address the suggestions previously listed.

DISCUSSION OF TOP PLANNED ACTIONS OF DRAFT CHAPTER 4 – DEB SIELSKI

Sielski presented a document that highlighted the 25 highest ranked actions for the plan. Sielski also had a large display board on hand that listed the top 25 actions. The Committee members chose to participate in an exercise in which they selected their top 10 actions for the plan by putting stickers next to the actions they thought were most important. Twelve actions were identified through the exercise that are considered of the highest priority. A list of the top 12 actions will be included at the end of Chapter IV and can be added to various publications to highlight the main objectives of the plan.

CONSIDERATION OF DRAFT CHAPTER 4 – JOSHUA GLASS

With the incorporation of the changes identified through Agenda items #4 and 5, Glass offered the chapter to the Committee to consider for preliminary approval.

Motion by Mr. Berganini; seconded by Mr. Rodenkirch to preliminarily approve draft Chapter IV reflecting the changes previously discussed. Motion approved unanimously.

REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION OF DRAFT CHAPTER 5 – JOSHUA GLASS

Glass presented draft Chapter V and highlighted key points throughout. The following changes were suggested by Committee members and staff:

- *Page V-1, Plan Review and Adoption*
~~Resolution (insert Res. #), adopting this strategic plan is included as Appendix _ of this plan.~~
The plan was adopted by the County Board by ~~ordinance~~ resolution on *[insert date]* (see Appendix _ of this plan for a copy of the Resolution).
- Strike text throughout the chapter referencing how the WDNR and Aquatic Plant Management Plans (APMPs) should be consulted before any management techniques are executed, and replace such text with a general note at the end of the second paragraph on Page V-2 explaining such requirements.
- *Page V-2, Add as third paragraph*
Addition of a section regarding how responsibility for responding to and managing AIS populations vary depending on type of AIS and level of threat to the ecosystem.
- *Page V-5, list of AIS Threatening Washington County*
Roundy Goby
- *Page V-5, Red Swamp Crayfish*
Delete “in the area”.
- *Page V-6, Zebra and Quagga Mussel*
Add a note recommending decontamination of boats with diluted bleach or other effective means.

- *Page V-6, Viral Hemorrhagic Septicemia Virus*
Change “bulge” to “bilge”.
- *Page V-7, Eurasian Water Milfoil*
Add paragraph about milfoil hybridization that was provided to committee.

Glass explained that at the next meeting, the entire preliminary plan will be presented to the Committee for consideration of approval. Any changes made to plan chapters since they were preliminarily approved will be highlighted in the full plan.

Motion by Mr. Berganini; seconded by Mr. Rodenkirch to preliminarily approve draft Chapter V reflecting the changes as discussed. Motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSSION REGARDING UPCOMING MEETING AGENDAS AND DATES – DEB SIELSKI

Sielski stated that at the next meeting, the Committee will be considering meeting minutes and the entire plan for approval. Upon preliminary approval, the plan will be forwarded on to Heidi Bunk for review and WDNR approval. Once reviewed by Ms. Bunk, any necessary changes will be incorporated into the preliminary draft plan that will be presented at the public hearing. The plan will then be forwarded on to the Washington County Land Conservation Committee (LCC). The LCC will hold a public hearing and consider the plan for approval and recommendation of adoption by the County Board. Staff anticipates the County Board to considering the plan for adoption by resolution in February or March of 2013. Based on the AIS grant cycle deadline of February 1, 2013, staff will encourage a quick turnaround for WDNR review by sending the plan to Heidi Bunk when it is sent to this Committee.

The next AIS meeting was tentatively scheduled for Monday, December 3, 2012 at 3:00 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mr. Hilgendorf; seconded by Mr. Bauman, to adjourn the meeting at 4:39 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Debora Sielski
Deputy Planning and Parks Administrator

Approved by _____
John Jung, Chairperson

Date _____