

# Federal Invasive Species Control Organization

## Governing Laws

### Plant Protection Act of 2000

Prohibits importation of invasive species (particularly terrestrial species) and gives the USDA the power to subpoena and impose civil penalties

### Nonindigenous Aquatic Nuisance Prevention and Control Act of 1990

Prevents the introduction of aquatic pest species and provides for coordination between relevant Agencies

### Executive Order 13112 (1999)

Establishes the NISC and provides a definition of Invasive species

[http://www.invasivespecies.gov/home\\_documents/EO\\_13112.pdf](http://www.invasivespecies.gov/home_documents/EO_13112.pdf)

## National Invasive Species Council (NISC)

[www.InvasiveSpecies.gov](http://www.InvasiveSpecies.gov)

### NISC Chairs

Department of the Interior  
(DOI houses the NISC)

Department of Agriculture

Department of Commerce

### NISC Member Agencies

Department of Defense  
Health and Human Services  
Homeland Security  
Department of the Treasury  
US Trade Representative  
Agency for International Development  
Environmental Protection Agency  
State Department  
Department of Transportation  
National Aeronautics and Space Administration

NISC Staff

Invasive Species Advisory Committee  
(Scientific Advisory Panel)

## 2008- 2012 Invasive Species Management Plan

[http://www.invasivespecies.gov/main\\_nav/mn\\_NISC\\_ManagementPlan.html](http://www.invasivespecies.gov/main_nav/mn_NISC_ManagementPlan.html)

### Cooperation with States

By forming state invasive species councils involving members of non-profit organizations, industry, state agencies universities, and federal agencies.

### Prevention

USDA APHIS / Customs Service  
Prevent Introductions In Imports And Travel  
Coast Guard, EPA, NOAA, FWS, USACE  
Prevent Aquatic Introductions, Particularly Zebra Mussels

### Monitoring

Work With Community Groups To Identify Introductions  
Master Gardeners  
"Friends" Of National Wildlife Refuges  
4H  
Develop Rapid Response Plans With Monitoring Data

### Evaluation

"Develop Methods for Evaluating Invasive Species Management Programs"

### Control

Goal:

To Implement Invasive Species Recovery Plans

#### Priority Species For Control:

Invasive Species That Can Be Controlled  
Invasive Species That Threaten Public Health Or Safety  
Invasive Species That Threaten Wildlife  
Control Projects With Restoration Plans

#### Control Planning

Develop Control Projects With IPM Practices That Successfully Reduce Invasive Species Populations  
Biological And Chemical Methods Of Control Receive High Priority In Sensitive Or Difficult To Access Areas