

Wisconsin Invasive Species Council

Biennial Goals for 2015-2017

STRATEGIC PLAN IMPLEMENTATION (full Council)

- Review state agency work analyses (priority-identifying exercises) to identify areas of the Strategic Plan that are not receiving adequate attention.
- Suggest prioritized needs, possible approaches, and potential opportunities to leverage resources.
- Identify and engage private and non-profit sector leaders in Strategic Plan implementation.
- Communicate needs and priorities to the governor and legislature; advocate for state agency budget and staffing support for Strategic Plan implementation.

EDUCATION (Education Committee)

- Provide leadership and oversight for Invasive Species Awareness Month activities.
- Provide leadership and oversight for Invader Crusader Awards program.
- Provide leadership and oversight for annual Invasive Species Education Summit.
- Work with state agencies and others to identify and establish educational goals for outreach associated with NR 40, Wis. Admin. Code.

RESEARCH AND REGULATIONS (Research and Regulations Committees)

- Review SAG process to identify process successes and possible improvements.
- Review and provide endorsement for proposed revisions to NR 40, Wis. Admin. Code.

INTERNET SALES (ad hoc committee)

- Assess efforts by other states and federal agencies to address Internet trade as a vector for invasive species introductions.
- Work with state and federal agencies and industry leaders to identify gaps in measures to prevent invasive species introductions through Internet trade activities.
- Advocate for appropriate and effective measures to prevent invasive species introductions through Internet trade activities.

PET STORE SALES (ad hoc committee)

- Assess efforts by other states and federal agencies to address the pet trade as a vector for invasive species introductions.
- Work with state and federal agencies and industry leaders to identify gaps in measures to prevent invasive species introductions through the pet trade.
- Advocate for appropriate and effective measures to prevent invasive species introductions through the pet trade.

BAITFISH (ad hoc committee)

- Assess efforts by other states and federal agencies to address the baitfish trade as a vector for invasive species introductions.
- Work with state and federal agencies and industry leaders to identify gaps in measures to prevent invasive species introductions through the baitfish trade.
- Provide opportunities for industry leaders and regulators to share information and jointly problem-solve to prevent invasive species introductions through the baitfish trade.
- Review challenges and possible barriers to establishing new baitfish facilities in Wisconsin.
- Advocate for updates to existing BMPs for interstate transport of baitfish and development of new BMPs for intrastate transportation and sales of baitfish.