

Contacts for Invasive Species Information in Michigan

Michigan's Invasive Species Program is cooperatively implemented by the Michigan Departments of Environmental Quality (DEQ), Natural Resources (DNR), and Agriculture and Rural Development (DARD).

Aquatic Invasive Species	Contact	Email and/or Phone
<p>Aquatic Invasive Species Program Questions on overall aquatic invasive species program and Michigan's Aquatic Invasive Species State Management Plan. www.michigan.gov/aquaticinvasives</p>	<p>Sarah LeSage AIS Program Coordinator DEQ - Water Resources Division</p>	<p>lesages@michigan.gov 517-243-4735</p>
<p>Aquatic Invasive Plants General questions about aquatic plant identification and early detection, rapid response, and monitoring www.michigan.gov/invasivespecies</p> <p><i>Chemical Control</i> - Questions on the chemical control of aquatic species, permitting, and submerged plant identification. www.michigan.gov/deqinlandlakes</p> <p><i>Mechanical Removal</i> - Questions about mowing and other forms of mechanical control, permitting, and Great Lakes Shoreline management. www.michigan.gov/deqwetlands (Follow "Information" to "GL shoreline management")</p> <p><i>Phragmites</i> – Questions about identification and the control of invasive phragmites. www.michigan.gov/aquaticinvasives</p>	<p>Sue Tangora DNR - Wildlife Division</p> <p>Aquatic Nuisance Control Program staff DEQ - Water Resources Division</p> <p>Anne Garwood DEQ - Water Resources Division</p> <p>Kevin Walters DEQ - Water Resources Division</p>	<p>tangoras@michigan.gov 517-284-6223</p> <p>DEQ-WRD-ANC@michigan.gov 517-284-5593</p> <p>garwooda@michigan.gov 517-284-5535</p> <p>waltersk3@michigan.gov 517-284-5473</p>
<p>Aquatic Invasive Animals Questions about Asian carp identification, status in Michigan, Michigan's Asian Carp Management Plan, other fish (e.g. snakehead) and aquatic animals (e.g. invasive crayfish). www.michigan.gov/asiancarp</p>	<p>Seth Herbst DNR - Fisheries Division</p>	<p>herbstS1@michigan.gov 517-284-5841</p>
<p>Great Lakes Regional Coordination Questions on Great Lakes coordination, restoration, and management. www.michigan.gov/deqgreatlakes</p>	<p>Matt Preisser DEQ - Office of the Great Lakes</p>	<p>preisserm@michigan.gov 517-284-5039</p>
<p>Ballast Water General questions on Michigan's ballast water program and Michigan's Section 401 certification. www.michigan.gov/aquaticinvasives</p> <p><i>Permits</i> - Questions on Michigan's state ballast water permit and application. www.michigan.gov/deqnpdes</p>	<p>Sarah LeSage DEQ - Water Resources Division</p> <p>Sean Syts DEQ - Water Resources Division</p>	<p>lesages@michigan.gov 517-284-5472</p> <p>syts@michigan.gov 517-284-5469</p>

Terrestrial Invasive Species	Contact	Email and Phone
Terrestrial Invasive Plants, Mammals, and Birds Questions about identification, management and control terrestrial invasive species. www.michigan.gov/invasivespecies	Sue Tangora DNR - Wildlife Division	tangoras@michigan.gov 517-284-6223
Insects <i>Agricultural & Landscape Pests</i> – Questions about invasive species that impact agriculture and landscapes MDARD Plant Pest Management <i>Forest Pests</i> - Questions about invasive insects, tree diseases, and invasive species impacts to forestry www.michigan.gov/invasivespecies (follow “Invasive Species Links” to “Forest Pests”)	Mike Bryan DARD - Pesticide and Plant Pest Management Division Ron Murray DNR - Forest Resource Division	bryanm@michigan.gov 517-284-5648 murrayr@michigan.gov 517-335-3353

General (Aquatic & Terrestrial) Invasive Species	Contact	Email and Phone
Invasive Species Laws/Regulations Questions about Michigan’s NREPA Part 413 Prohibited and Restricted species law, other regulations, species identification, and permits. www.michigan.gov/invasivespecies (follow “Invasive Species Laws” link)	<i>Plants and insects:</i> Mike Bryan DARD - Pesticide and Plant Pest Management Division <i>All other species:</i> Seth Herbst DNR - Fisheries Division	bryanm@michigan.gov 517-284-5648 herbstS1@michigan.gov 517-284-5841
State Parks & State Administered Boat Launches Questions about invasive species and associated issues in state parks and at state administered boat launches	Alicia Ihnken DNR – Parks & Recreation Division	ihnkenA@michigan.gov 517-335-0883
Enforcement To report invasive species law/regulation violations, please call the DNR RAP Line.	DNR - Law Enforcement Division District 25	Report All Poaching (RAP) Line: 1-800-292-7800
AIS Education and Outreach Questions about education programs and outreach materials related to AIS	Kevin Walters DEQ - Water Resources Division	waltersk3@michigan.gov 517-284-5473
Michigan Invasive Species Grant Program General questions about MISGP, grant requirements, application process, etc.	Kammy Frayre DNR – Finance & Operations	Frayrek1@michigan.gov 517-284-5970

For general inquiries, or if none of the above contacts fit with your question, call the DEQ’s Environmental Assistance Center at 1-800-662-9278.