

# AQUATIC INVASIVE SPECIES PUT OUR INLAND LAKES, RIVERS, WETLANDS AND THE GREAT LAKES AT RISK!

PERCENT OF THREATENED OR ENDANGERED SPECIES AT RISK IN THE GREAT LAKES ECOSYSTEM BECAUSE OF NON-NATIVE SPECIES:

42%

NUMBER OF NON-NATIVE AQUATIC ORGANISMS THAT HAVE COLONIZED HABITATS OF THE GREAT LAKES ECOSYSTEM SINCE THE 1800S:

182

AMOUNT OF MONEY LOST ANNUALLY BY THE GREAT LAKES REGION DUE TO THE EFFECTS OF SHIP-BORN INVASIVE SPECIES:

\$200 MILLION

## WHAT CAN YOU DO?

REMOVE AQUATIC PLANTS FROM BOATS, BOATING EQUIPMENT, AND BOAT TRAILERS BEFORE LAUNCHING OR PLACING IN THE WATER.

DRAIN LIVE WELLS, BILGES AND ALL WATER FROM BOATS BEFORE LEAVING THE ACCESS SITE.

DISPOSE OF UNUSED BAIT IN THE TRASH. DO NOT RELEASE BAIT INTO THE WATER.

DON'T TRANSFER FISH TO WATER BODIES OTHER THAN WHERE THEY WERE CAUGHT.

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