

Mid-Atlantic Regional Panel for Aquatic Nuisance Species



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MARP Authority

- Non-Indigenous Aquatic Nuisance Species Prevention and Control Act (NANPCA) of 1990
- Amended by National Invasive Species Act of 1996

MARP Responsibilities

- Identify regional ANS priorities
- Make recommendations to the ANS Task Force regarding programs to carry out Section 1202 of NANPCA (prevention, monitoring, control, education, research)
- Assist the ANS Task Force in coordinating Federal programs
- Coordinate ANS program activities that are not conducted pursuant to NANPCA
- Advise public and private individuals and entities concerning methods of preventing and controlling ANS infestations
- Submit an annual report to the ANS Task Force

~~ANS~~ Task Force

- Intergovernmental organization dedicated to preventing and controlling aquatic nuisance species
- Established by the Nonindigenous Aquatic Nuisance Prevention and Control Act (NANPCA) of 1990.
- Mandates later expanded by the National Invasive Species Act (NISA) in 1996.
- Consists of 10 Federal agency representatives and 12 Ex-officio members
- Co-chaired by the US Fish and Wildlife Service and National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

Who serves on the MARP?

- Federal and state agencies
- Regional and academic entities
- Private environmental groups

MARP membership

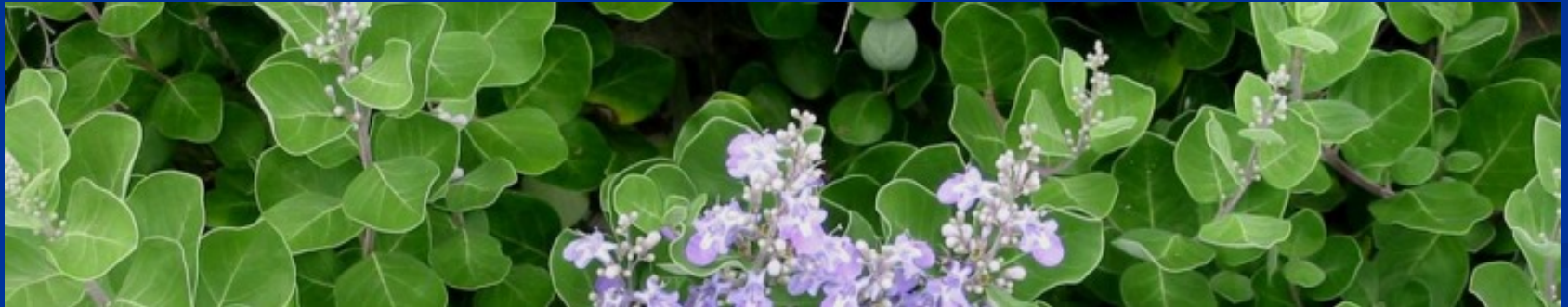
- 48 members from Delaware, District of Columbia, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Virginia, and West Virginia.
- Fredrika Moser, Maryland Sea Grant – Chair
- Julie Thompson, US Fish & Wildlife Service, Chesapeake Bay Program - Coordinator

Species of Interest



MARP Spring Meeting, Wilmington, NC

Beach Vitex - *Vitex rotundifolia*



MARP Workgroups

- Outreach/Education
- Policy
- Science/Management

Outreach/Education

- Revamp MARP web site –Pennsylvania Sea Grant
- MARP Logo Contest
- Future - conduct training for agencies and/or NGOs (HACCP and Risk Assessment)

MTRBP

the MISSISSIPPI RIVER BASIN PANEL
on AQUATIC NUISANCE SPECIES

Great Lakes Panel

ANS

on Aquatic Nuisance Species



The Western Regional Panel
On Aquatic Nuisance Species



Science/Management

- Formulate comprehensive list of species in Mid-Atlantic region
- Develop and deliver a survey of species importance, including situation with individual states
- Develop a directory of AIS contacts/experts in the region for the web
- Review snakehead management plan

Policy

- Conduct ANS Survey for Agencies - identify gaps in legislation and ways MARP can serve the states— i.e. develop draft ANS plans, etc.
- Future - Develop MARP Action Plan modeled after Great Lakes Action Plan. Have Governors sign the plan to demonstrate commitment to preventing the introduction and spread of AIS.

Regional Rapid Response

Great Lakes Commission's components of model rapid response plan:

- Organize Structure and Communication
- Outreach
- Early Detection and Monitoring
- Decision Support and Rapid Scientific Assessment
- Manage Options for Control/Eradication
- Implementation
- Adaptive Management
- Funding



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