



Northeast US and Canada Region AIS Coordination Meeting

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Contact: Michele L Tremblay, MLT@naturesource.net 603.796.2615

- 1:00 PM Welcome and introductions**
Jim Carlton, Williams College
Greg Bugbee, CT Agricultural Experiment Station
Michele L. Tremblay, naturesource communications
- 1:10 PM Nanobody-toxin conjugates directed against gill cells for the selective abatement of invasive fish and molluscs**
Jim Weber, DVM, PhD, Emeritus Professor, University of Maine
Desired outcome: Coordination of collaborators for hypothesis testing, proof of concept studies and field applications, with the hope to discuss potential funding opportunities with state, federal and nonprofit grant administrators.
- 2:10 PM State Management Plans**
Jennifer Ryan and Christy Emond, US Fish and Wildlife Service
Desired outcome: Better understanding of grant process for the grant recipients and more efficient processing for the USFWS program staff.
- 2:30 PM Tench invasion front monitoring and possible expansion in the St. Lawrence (this is a preview to comprehensive agenda discussion at next Panel meeting)**
Jacob Cochran, US Fish and Wildlife Service
Desired outcome: Notification to the Panel of the bi-national surveillance effort of Tench expansion in the Upper St. Lawrence River. Share the current strategies to monitor and mitigate spread and also raise the idea of more long-term solutions to prevent AIS spread from the lower St. Lawrence River into the Great Lakes.
- 2:50 PM Public comment period and other business**
- 2:55 PM Decision and action item summary**
- 3:00 PM Adjourn**

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