



Invasive Species Response Technical Session

Wisconsin Lakes Partnership
Convention

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- Intro to Framework purpose
- Outline Steps
- Run through scenario
- Discuss exercise



What is Rapid Response?

- An activity intended to manage a species, before it spreads so widely and becomes so abundant that response actions cannot be implemented practically, effectively, and efficiently
 - Goals could include population containment, reduction, and/or eradication
 - Depends on population type, size, and extent



Department RR Framework

- Internal protocol for responding to newly detected populations
- Outlines steps to be taken after initial detection
- Adopted by Department Invasive Species Team (DIST)







Implementation Challenges

- Response impossible to standardize
 - No two populations the same
 - Available resources vary
 - Timing impacts responses



Deciding Roles

- Picking response roles comes down to who has the resources:
 - Time, money, manpower, knowledge
- Players include:
 - DNR AIS Coordinator, County AIS Coordinator, Lake Association President, volunteers, private consultant, chemical applicator, harvester, etc.



Scenario: Eurasian Water Milfoil

- Details:
 - Smith Lake, 300 acres
 - 1 association boat launch, 1 public boat launch
 - 30 ft max depth, 12 ft mean depth
 - Found by angler north of public launch
- 30 minutes to work through exercise, 10 min post-exercise questions, reconvene



- Questions?
- <http://dnr.wi.gov/lakes/invasives/WIAISRapidResponseFramework2012.pdf>
- Contact:
 - Regional AIS Coordinator
 - <http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/Invasives/report.html>