

State ANS Management Plans

Cost-Share Grants to Implement Prevention and Control Activities for Aquatic Nuisance Species

The Nonindigenous Aquatic Nuisance Prevention and Control Act of 1990 (as amended by the National Invasive Species Act of 1996) authorized and provided general guidance for the development of State and Interstate Aquatic Nuisance Species (ANS) Management Plans. Section 1204 of the Act enables Governors of States and the governments of Indian Tribes involved in an interstate organization, to submit comprehensive plans to the ANS Task Force for approval. This program is managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

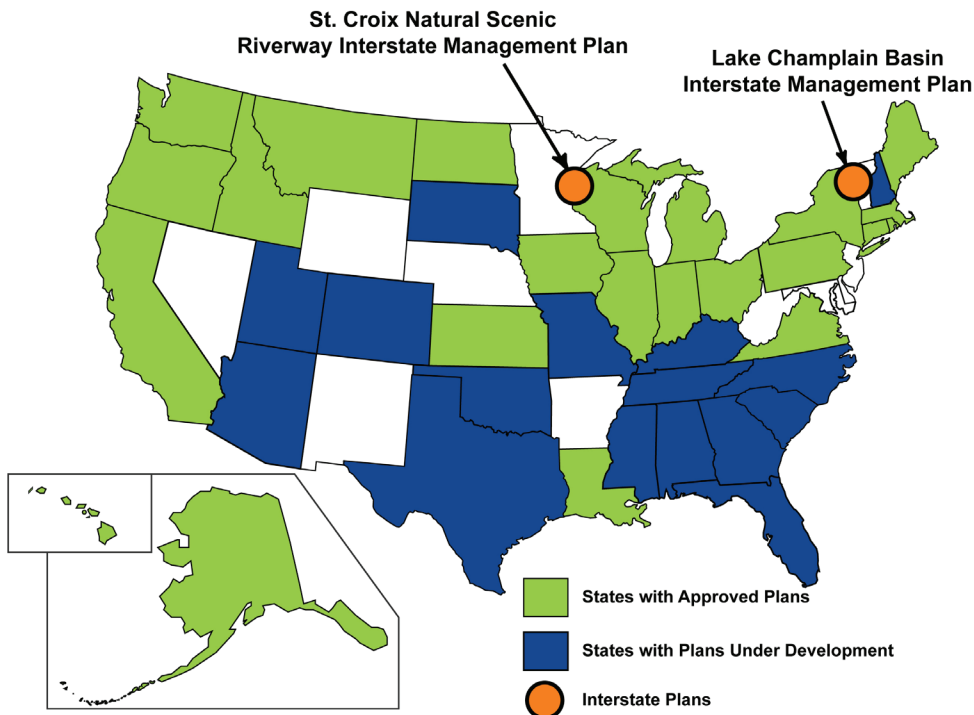
In 2008, the Fish and Wildlife Service will support 25 ANS State Management Plans (23 State Plans and two Interstate Plans) which have been approved by the ANS Task Force. Six of these plans - CA, CT, ID, PA, RI, and VA - are new plans approved by the Task Force in 2007. Several other states are also in the process of developing ANS management plans (see map below).

At its May 2006 meeting, the ANSTF recommended that the 2007 management plan funds be distributed on an equal share basis. Thus,

State ANS Management Plans Recently Approved/Under Development

- Approved in late 2007: Idaho, California and Rhode Island.
- Other State ANS Plans Under Development: Alabama, Arizona, Colorado, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Mississippi, Missouri, New Hampshire, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas and Utah.

Status of State ANS Management Plans



in FY 2007, the Service provided approximately \$56,000 in financial assistance for implementation of each of the 19 approved plans. The Service had a total of \$1,075,000 to implement this cost-share grant program in FY 2007. Amounts requested from States and Tribes ranged from \$5,000 to over \$466,000 and funds were not adequate to meet most of the implementation requests at their full request level.

The ANS Management Plans must identify technical, enforcement, or financial assistance for activities needed to eliminate or reduce the

environmental, public health and safety risks associated with aquatic nuisance species. The plans focus on identification of feasible, cost-effective management practices and measures to be undertaken by the States and cooperating entities to prevent and control aquatic nuisance species infestations in an environmentally sound manner.

Plans are submitted by the Governors of the States to the ANS Task Force for review and approval. The ANS Task Force must review submitted management plans within 90 days and either approve

or return them with recommended modifications. States with approved plans may request Federal assistance from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service for up to 75% of the cost incurred to implement their ANS programs.

Grants to States and Tribes have been provided by the Service since 1995. The table below shows the plans that have been approved by the ANS Task Force and the date they were approved. The map on the first page shows the States with approved plans and those with plans under development.

Approved State ANS Management Plans	Approval Date
New York Nonindigenous Aquatic Species Comprehensive Management Plan	March 1994
Michigan Comprehensive Aquatic Nuisance Species Management Plan	May 1996
Ohio State Management Plan for Aquatic Nuisance Species	January 1997
St. Croix Natural Scenic Riverway (Interstate Plan - MN, WI, and the Great Lakes Indian Fish and Wildlife Commission)	July 1998
Washington Aquatic Nuisance Species Management Plan	August 1998
Plan for the Management of Aquatic Nuisance Species for Iowa	January 2000
Illinois State Comprehensive Management Plan for Aquatic Nuisance Species	February 2000
Lake Champlain Basin ANS Management Plan (Interstate Plan - NY and VT)	May 2000
Oregon Aquatic Nuisance Species Management Plan	July 2001
Alaska Aquatic Invasive Species Management Plan State of Maine Action Plan for Managing Invasive Aquatic Species Massachusetts Aquatic Invasive Species Management Plan Montana Aquatic Nuisance Species Management Plan	November 2002
State of Hawaii Aquatic Nuisance Species Management Plan Indiana Aquatic Nuisance Species Management Plan Wisconsin Comprehensive Management Plan (for Aquatic Invasive Species)	November 2003
North Dakota Statewide Aquatic Nuisance Species Management Plan Kansas Aquatic Nuisance Species Management Plan	May 2005
State Management Plan for Aquatic Invasive Species in Louisiana	May 2006
Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Aquatic Invasive Species Management Plan	January 2007
Virginia Invasive Species Management Plan	February 2007
Connecticut Aquatic Nuisance Species Management Plan	April 2007
California Aquatic Invasive Species Management Plan Idaho Aquatic Nuisance Species Plan Rhode Island Aquatic Invasive Species Management Plan	November 2007

For more information about the Service's State Aquatic Nuisance Species Management Plan cost-share grant program, please contact the Chief of the Branch of Invasive Species, at 703/358 1718.

For more information on the Aquatic Nuisance Species Task Force, or to obtain copies of specific State ANS Management Plans, please visit their web site (<http://www.anstaskforce.gov/stateplans.php>).

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