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The Mission of the NY Invasive Species Council is to foster collaboration and coordination among State agencies, the New York Invasive Species Advisory Committee, and stakeholders across the State to minimize the harm caused by invasive species to New York's environment, economy, and human health.

MEMORANDUM

TO: Invasive Species Council Members (9 Agencies)
FROM: Thom Allgaier, Invasive Species Coordinator
RE: IS Council Meeting # 42; January 11, 2022
DATE: December 30, 2021

NYS IS Council met on Tuesday, January 11, 2022 from 10:00 am – 12:00 pm Virtually due to COVID 19 precautions. 6 Representatives present, thereby a 2/3 quorum was NOT met. Voting was conducted during the meeting, but due to the lack of quorum all votes are nonbinding.

ISC Representatives Present (virtually):

Also Present (Virtually) from Council Agencies:

Justin Perry, DEC, Co-Chair
Chris Logue, AGM, Co-Chair
David Newman, DOS
Elizabeth Novak, TA
Peter Dunleavy, DOT
Kathy Regan, APA
James Candiloro, CC

Dave Adams, DEC
Josh Thiel, DEC
Thom Allgaier, DAM
Matt Brincka, OPRHP
Steven Pearson, DEC
Cathy McGlynn, DEC

Present from Invasive Species Advisory Committee:

Meg Wilkinson, Natural Heritage Program
Audrey Bowe, Cornell University/ Invasive Species Research Institute
Carrie Brown-Lima, Cornell University/ Invasive Species Research Institute
Renee St. Jacques, New York Farm Bureau/ ISAC Chair

Present from Public: Bob Weliyss

Welcome, Introductions & Housekeeping - Led by Josh Thiel/Chris Logue

ISC Meeting #41 Summary – Spelling error noted in Meg Wilkinson's name. Kathy Regan abstained from vote to approve. Meeting summary #41 approved. No opposition.

Agency Updates – Council member agencies provided updates as follows:

- 1) **DOS** – David Newman - None.
- 2) **DOT** – Peter Dunleavy spoke about Spotted Lantern Fly awareness training, bridge inspectors being trained on SLF detection, SLF trapping and coordination with the SLF Multiagency Coordination group, federal research funding, IS related pale swallow wort biocontrol, SLF eDNA funding, & DOT vehicle inspections for SLF.
- 3) **Thruway Authority** – Elizabeth Novak introduced a new Landscape Architect, IS Summit review, biocontrol work along thruway, training of maintenance staff on IS awareness.
- 4) **OPRHP** – Matt Brincka discussed year two of decentralized IS approach, 100% increase in IS contracts, New Hemlock conservation guidelines, & contract language that references IS.
- 5) **APA** – Kathy Regan discussed the MOU with NYS DEC for the state land Mater plan – specifically updating the IS segments of the plan.
- 6) **Canal Corporation** – James Candiloro discussed SLF outreach being distributed at visitation sites.
- 7) **AGM** – Chris Logue – Spotted Lantern Fly, Box Tree Moth, Asian Longhorned Beetle
- 8) **DEC** – Justin Perry – discussed Hemlock Woolly Adelgid, Oak Wilt, Beech Leaf Disease, & draft part 575 additions.
- 9) **DOE** – None

Council Business: Matt Brincka inquired about disposal sites for invasive species contaminated soil. This included deep burial and how deep to bury. He inquired about other means of disposal. Heat treatment was also discussed.

Josh Thiel discussed the 9-1711 AIS spread prevention bill. Part 576 is now permanent. (Handout 1). Also discussed was NYSIS Info migration to the clearinghouse with a modified contract to SeaGrant. Justin Perry – Proposed a vote to accept Carrie Brown-Lima as ISAC Chair, Christopher Williams as Vice-Chair, and Allen Gosser as Secretary. Kathy Regan made a motion to do so, seconded by Pete Dunleavy. Approved by all present voting members.

Peter Dunleavy – Requested input and guidance from ISC regarding herbicides/pesticides in light of the new legislation.

iMapInvasives Updates – Meg Wilkinson provided the Council members with iMapInvasives Database updates. NYS IS Summit summary, WISP annual report, Treatment data collection, Webmap service as it relates to SLF, tier list data

Invasive Species Research Institute Update – Carrie Brown-Lima provided an update – Jenson Doliver (spp?) will be the new Communications intern. NAISMA conference. IS and Climate Change, Northeast RISSC mission statement, NYISRI Newsletter

Public updates – Bob Weliyss expressed concern of the use of fluoride use in AIS treatment. He also discussed concerns with dams/impoundments as they relate to IS and was concerned of the use of broad-spectrum pesticide impact to the ecosystem. He advocated for the removal of low head dams, specifically mentioning “Yaphank Lower Lake” as an example. He opposes use of herbicides for AIS.

Wrap Up – Next ISC meetings were set for April 19, July 12, and Oct 11, 2022, 10:00 AM-12:00 PM location TBD.

Meeting adjourned at 12:00pm