

Legislative Update

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WRDA 2020

SENATE: [S.3591](#) —America's Water Infrastructure Act of 2020 **Sponsor:** [Sen. Barrasso, John \[R-WY\]](#) (Introduced 05/04/2020)

Latest Action: Senate - 05/11/2020 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar

Details: See May 4, 2020 *Aquatic Invasive Species News*
<https://www.westernais.org/news>

Sec.1005. Watercraft Inspection Stations: strike “Arizona River” and insert “Arkansas River”

Sec.1603. Aquatic invasive species research.

Sec.1604. Invasive species mitigation and reduction.

- This section authorizes \$10 million in appropriations for fiscal years 2021 through 2024 to support watercraft inspection stations along the United States border with Canada.
- Upper Missouri River Basin: The purpose would be to develop voluntary AIS management plans to mitigate the effects of invasive species on public infrastructure facilities located on reservoirs of the Corps reservoirs.

Sec.'s 1607/1608. Asian carp prevention and control pilot program/Expansion

Sec.1609. Invasive species in Alpine Lakes pilot program.

House: Will be introduced soon

S.2975/ H.R. 6057 - Stop the Spread of Invasive Mussels Act of 2019

Sen. Bennet, Michael F. [D-CO] (Introduced 12/04/2019)

Section 2: Bureau of Reclamation Assistance This section authorizes the Secretary of the Interior, through the Commissioner of Reclamation, to provide financial assistance to purchase, establish, operate, or maintain watercraft inspection and decontamination stations

Section 3: Watercraft Inspection and Decontamination Authority: This section provides each federal agency that is a member of the Aquatic Nuisance Species (ANS) Task Force with the authority to inspect and decontaminate watercraft and, as necessary, impound, quarantine, or otherwise prevent entry to limit the movement of aquatic invasive species into and out of U.S. waters.

Section 4: Technical Corrections: Fixes “Arizona” issue -- makes the Arkansas River Basin eligible

- **APPROPRIATIONS.**—There is authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section \$25,000,000 for fiscal year 2020 and each fiscal year thereafter
- **(2) MANDATORY INSPECTION/DECONTAMINATION.**—To limit the movement of aquatic invasive species (as defined in section 2(a)) into or out of the waters of the United States, each task force agency **may**, as appropriate— (A) conduct mandatory inspections and de-contamination of watercraft

******No Movement, not part of WRDA so far ******

S. 3051/HR 925 America's Conservation Enhancement Act

(Introduced 12/12/2019...../01/39/2019)

The bill combines several legislative provisions codifying the National Fish Habitat Partnership program, reauthorization of the North American Wetlands Conservation Fund, the establishment of a task force to combat the rapidly growing threat of chronic wasting disease etc

SEC. 105. INVASIVE SPECIES.

Section 10 of the Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act, (16 U.S.C. 666c–1) is amended—

“(p) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section for each of fiscal years 2021 through 2025— “(1) \$2,500,000 to the Secretary of the Army, acting through the Chief of Engineers; and “(2) \$2,500,000 to the Secretary of the Interior.”.

Passed House 11/20/19Passed senate 01/09/2020 with **amendment ...sent back to House**

Part of larger legislative package later in year (bundle)???

Recovering America's Wildlife Act of 2019 (H.R. 3742)

Rep. Dingell, Debbie [D-MI-12] (Introduced 07/12/2019)

TITLE I—WILDLIFE CONSERVATION AND RESTORATION 9SEC. 101. WILDLIFE CONSERVATION AND RESTORATION 10SUBACCOUNT. 11(a) IN GENERAL.—
Section 3 of the Pittman-Robertson Wildlife Restoration Act (16 U.S.C. 669b) is amended in subsection (c)—

“(1) ESTABLISHMENT OF SUBACCOUNT.—

“(C) DEPOSITS INTO SUBACCOUNT.—Beginning in fiscal year 2020, the Secretary of the Treasury shall transfer \$1,300,000,000 from the general fund of the treasury each fiscal year to the fund for deposit in the Subaccount.

“(4) USE OF FUNDS.—Funds apportioned from the Subaccount—

“(F) **may be used to manage, control, and prevent invasive and nuisance species**, disease, and other risks to species of greatest conservation need; and

Out of House Committee on Natural Resources 12/5/19 – vote 26-6.

Senate?

“Murder Hornet Eradication Act”
[H.R. 6761](#) (Rep. Raúl M. Grijalva, D-AZ)

To require the Secretary of the Interior to establish a grant program to provide financial assistance to States in eradicating the Asian giant hornet, and for other purposes.

HEARING: On Thursday, June 25, 2020 at 9:00 A.M. EDT in room 1324 Longworth (Hearing Room) and online via Cisco Webex video conference platform, the Subcommittee on Water, Oceans, and Wildlife will hold a legislative hearing that will include: **[H.R. 6761](#)** *“Murder Hornet Eradication Act”*

APPROPRIATIONS

Coming Soon!!!!

Will be summarized in *AIS NEWS*

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	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
7	116	H.R.3195	Rep. Van Drew [D-NJ-2]	<i>Land and Water Conservation Fund Permanent Funding Act</i>	6/11/2019	To amend title 54, United States Code, to provide permanent, dedicated funding for the Land and Water Conservation Fund, and for other purposes.		06/11/2019 Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources. 06/19/2019 Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by the Yeas and Nays: 21 - 13.
3	116	H.R. 3244	Rep. Welch [D-VT]	The Invasive Species Prevention and Forest Restoration Act	6/12/2019	To amend the Plant Protection Act for purposes of mitigating the threat of invasive species, and for other purposes.		06/12/2019 Referred to the House Committee on Agriculture. 06/28/2019 Referred to the Subcommittee on Biotechnology, Horticulture, and Research.
3	116	H.R.3399	Rep. Harder [D-CA-10]	To amend the Nutria Eradication and Control Act of 2003 to include California in the program, and for other purposes.	6/21/2019	To amend the Nutria Eradication and Control Act of 2003 to include California in the program, and for other purposes.		07/02/2019 Referred to the Subcommittee on Water, Oceans, and Wildlife. 09/25/2019 Subcommittee Hearings Held.
0	116	S. 1982	Sen. Sullivan [R-AK]	Save Our Seas 2.0 Act	6/26/19	To improve efforts to combat marine debris, and for other purposes.		06/26/2019 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
	116	H.R.3742	Rep. Dingell [D-MI]	Recovering America's Wildlife Act of 2019	7/12/2019	To amend the Pittman-Robertson Wildlife Restoration Act to make supplemental funds available for management of fish and wildlife species of greatest conservation need as determined by State fish and wildlife agencies, and for other purposes.	“(1) ESTABLISHMENT OF SUBACCOUNT.— “(C) DEPOSITS INTO SUBACCOUNT.—Beginning in fiscal year 2020, the Secretary of the Treasury shall transfer \$1,300,000,000 from the general fund of the treasury each fiscal year to the fund for deposit in the Subaccount.	07/12/2019 Referred to the Committee on Natural Resources, and in addition to the Committee on the Budget, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned. 07/29/2019 Referred to the Subcommittee on Water, Oceans, and Wildlife.

Thank You!

Questions?

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FY 2020 ENERGY AND WATER FEDERAL APPROPRIATIONS

" WRDA" -- U.S. Army Corps Engineers

Aquatic Plant Control Program (WRDA Directed)

- Watercraft Inspection Stations: **\$15,000,000** (FY 2019 \$5 Million)
- Monitoring: **\$3,000,000** (FY 2019 \$1 million)
- Of the funding recommended for the Aquatic Plant Control Program: \$1,000,000 shall be for activities or **monitoring, surveys,** and control of **flowering rush**