

ACTION ITEMS

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The Invasive Species Council is a recent outgrowth of the PNWER working group formed to further increase awareness regarding invasive species in the ten states, provinces, and territories that comprise PNWER. Its task is to address the regional economic and environmental impact of invasive species and promote regional collaboration and sharing of best practices.

Action Items	Project Lead	Status
1 Encourage the states and provinces to pre-approve and create a stock pile of pre-approved materials that can be used for early detection and rapid response (Potash)		In progress
2 Each state to write a letter to Congress and the US Army Corps of Engineers to support allowing WRDA watercraft inspection money to also be used for rapid response in case of detection of Quagga Zebras in a water body in any of the 4 northwest states.		In progress
3 BC and Saskatchewan to talk to agricultural Ministers about growing forward. Use language that includes all invasive species, not just mussels. Determine what could be Canadian federal sources of matching funds for provinces and territories in their efforts at prevention.		In progress
4 Write a letter to US fish and wildlife, region 1, to prioritize filling the wildlife position for AIS		In progress
5 Compile, and seek funding for additional salmon habitat research, showing the impact of AIS and QZ in particular on salmon spawning grounds and habitat, which can positively impact available resources for prevention		In progress
6 Each state and province should compile a contact list of lead persons in the tribes and First Nations who should be interested in AIS prevention. Seek individual meetings, develop champions in the aboriginal community, and work toward a small meeting with tribes about the impacts of QZ, and enlist their sup-		In progress

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7	States should work with PNWER to design materials for the CBP officers along the Northern Border about high risk boats, AIS, Clean, Drain, Dry		In progress
8	Case study on BC Public Private partnership that is supporting BC's prevention program		In progress
9	PNWER should write letter to US Secretary Sally Jewell urging containment at the source, federal responsibility in infected waterbodies. Demand process for boats leaving federal waterbodies must be certified and inspected.		In progress
10	PNWER should work with legislative leads and Governor's offices to develop an MOU between the 4 states creating an Advisory Council within PNWER for a Regional Prevention Strategy		In progress