

Tuesday, July 19, 2016; 2:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.
Hyatt Regency; Bannerman/Walker Room; Calgary, Alberta

Invasive Species

Co-Chairs:

- *Robyn Luff, MLA, Alberta*
- *Dr. Mark Sytsma, VP for Research, Portland State University*

Invasive Species Impacts on Industry & Biodiversity; Emerging Threats and Research Needs

2:30-4:00 *Water-Operated Industry session: Each industry represented to provide an overview (formal or informal) of their systems (infrastructure, value, scope) and concerns if there was an AIS infestation (e.g .mussels)*

4:00-5:00 Panel discussion questions:

- *How do we get the industry more involved?*
- *How do we collaborate on funding?*
- *How do we get government and industry to work together on funding?*
- *How to engage beneficiaries in this struggle?*
- *Is legislation set up in order to act quickly with quarantines and control to have a strategy for an infestation?*
- *Where is the funding already going and where should additional money be going?*
- *How do we grow the profile and support at the senior level?*
- *What needs to be done to coordinate efforts in Canada and the US?*

Renata Claudi, Partner and Chief Scientist, RNT Consulting

Ivan Friesen, General Manager, Eastern Irrigation District

Brian Bartel, General Manager, South Saskatchewan River Irrigation District,
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5:00-5:30 Closing remarks

Dan Ashton, MLA, Penticton, British Columbia, PNWER Vice President

