

Overview of Watercraft Inspection/Decontamination Funding and Where Inspection Stations are Located in Each State

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	FY13/14 Invasive Species Program Budget	Source of funding	Agency Responsible
Idaho	\$1.2 million	Sticker/Decal Program	Idaho Department of Agriculture
Oregon	\$500,000	State boater fees and WC fund	Oregon Dept. Fish and Wildlife
Montana	~\$1 million	State General Fund	Montana Fish, Wildlife, and Parks
Washington	\$508,000	95% WC funded; 5% federal grants	Washington Dept. Fish and Wildlife

Comparison to Model Law – National Sea Grant

	IDAHO	OREGON	MONTANA	WASHINGTON	WYOMING
% of core authorities suggested in Model Law	70	75	55	75	90
LEGISLATIVE FINDINGS	√	X	√	√	X
DEFINITIONS	No definitions for decontamination or inspection	No explicit definition for inspection	No definitions for inspection, decontamination, and waters	Does not define inspection	√
PROHIBITIONS	√	√	No launching prohibitions	No prohibition on launching out-of-compliance conveyances	√
OWNER RESPONSIBILITIES	No general obligation to Clean, Drain, Dry	X	No cleaning and drying obligations	√	Does not impose Clean, Drain, Dry obligations
INSPECTION	√	√	No provisions to authorize law enforcement stops	No express authority for law enforcement stops	√
DECONTAMINATION	√	No express authority to impound conveyances or impose costs	No express authority to impound conveyances or impose costs	√	√
CERTIFICATION	Authorizes issuance of receipts/seals only for decontamination	√	X	No provisions for seals or reciprocity	√
PENALTIES	√	√	√	√	√
UPDATES			2015 - added rationale to declare an emergency; authorized 3 rd party check stations		2015 – Permit payment of AIS sticker electronically

Other state regulatory updates

- **Arizona:** Added Arizona waters to list of waters where quagga mussels are documented and present; clarified that boats should implement protocols before removing watercraft from listed waters and prior to transport.
- **California:** New regulations effective April 2016 requiring water supply system operators to develop and implement dreissenid mussel control plans.
- **Colorado:** October 2015 amendments modified definitions, clarified inspection and decontamination procedures, and authorized Dept. personnel to possess and transport specimens.
- **Nebraska:** March 2015 – impose AIS fee on instate boaters and require out of state boaters to purchase a stamp.
- **New Mexico:** January 2016 – requirement to pull plug and drain watercraft, mandatory inspections when stations are open, and voluntary seal program.
- **North Dakota:** April 2016 – Remove drain plugs.
- **South Dakota:** 2015 – Remove drain plug, conveyance decontaminations.
- **Utah:** 2015 – AIS fee.
- **Wyoming:** 2015 – permit payment of state AIS sticker to be evidenced electronically.

Next steps to implementing the model law

- Model regulations soon to be released
- Cooperative agreements among the states to be developed
- Building Consensus (AIS coordinators in the West) continues to address existing and emerging issues to protect the western states from the introduction and spread of AIS.

2016 Regionwide
Watercraft Inspection Station Viewer

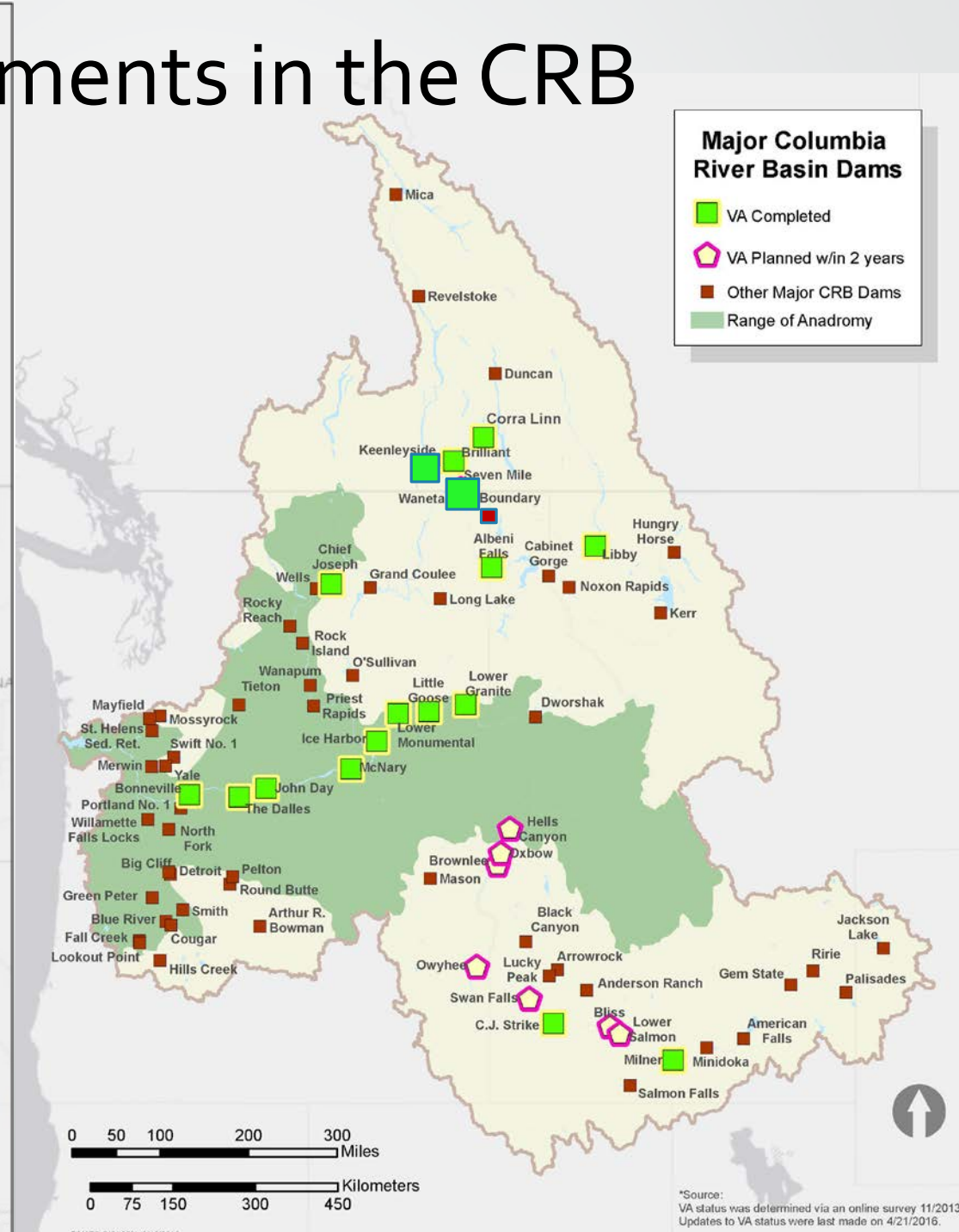
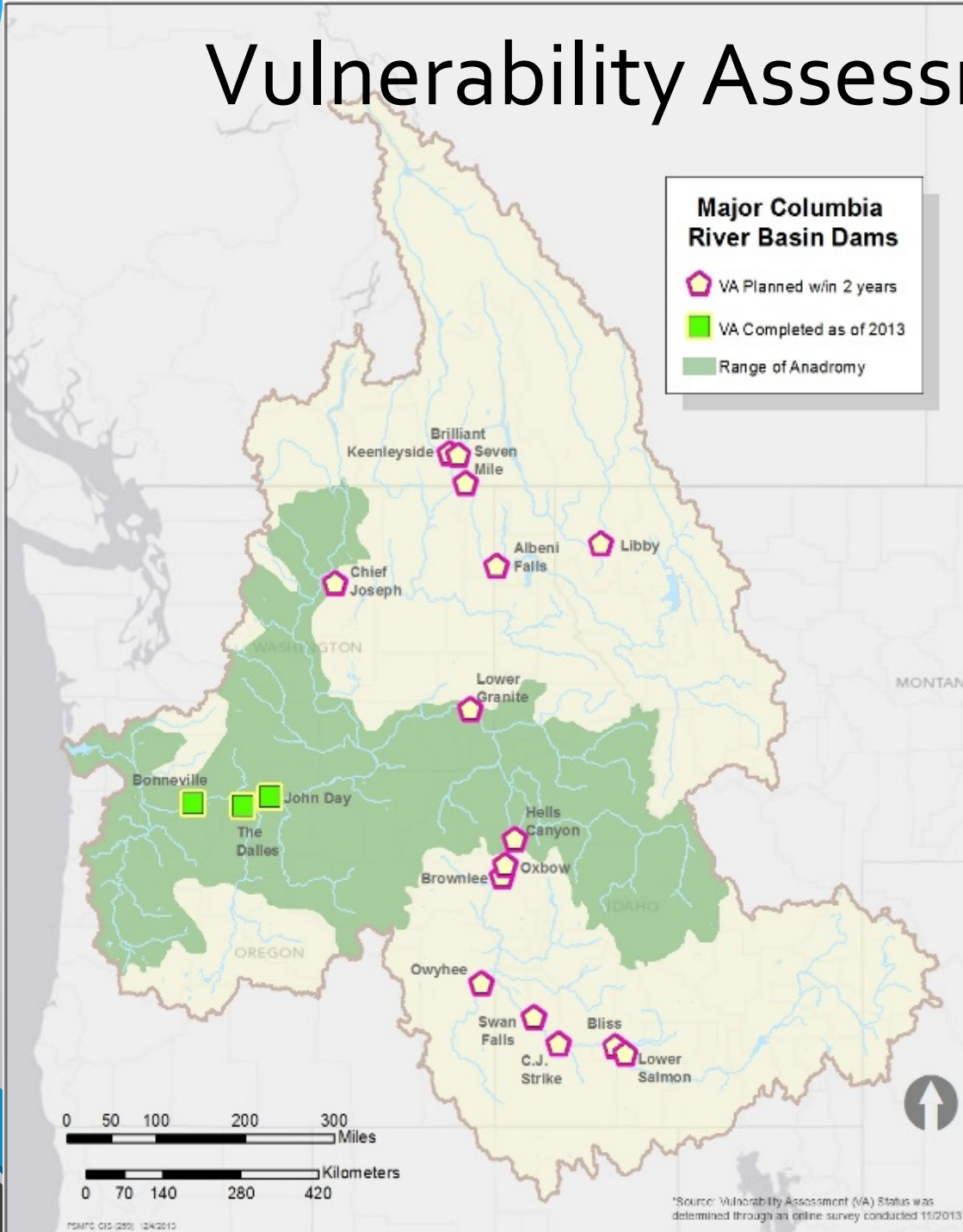


Other Updates

- Dreissenid Research Priorities Workshop
 - November 2015
 - 28 dreissenid biology, ecology, and management experts
 - Identified highest priority research questions re: prevention, detection, control, monitoring, and biology



Vulnerability Assessments in the CRB



*Source: Vulnerability Assessment (VA) Status was determined through an online survey conducted 11/2013

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Boat Vector Pathway Project

Goal: Address boat vector pathways to prevent the movement and introduction of dreissenids and other AIS to the Pacific Northwest

- Targets
 - Moored boats from the Lower Colorado and Great Lakes
 - Non-oversize boats transported by commercial haulers
 - Boat Brokers
 - Boat Auctions
 - Online Sales
- Methodology
 - Compilation of information on mooring facilities, commercial haulers, boat brokers, and boat auction companies in North America – focus on Great Lakes and Lower Colorado
 - Prepare, distribute, and make available online resources to these entities to prevent the movement of AIS.



Dreissenid Monitoring in the CRB

<http://crbais.psmfc.org/zebraquagga-mussel-2015> is moving to www.westernais.org with new maps and easier to read legends. PSMFC will be collecting the information annually and posting it online.

