

Invasive Species Management Community of Practice

Emerald Ash Borer (EAB)

FOR: Invasive Species CoP Webinar

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What is EAB?

Why should I be concerned?

What indicators should I be looking for?

What types of control are available?

Who can offer me help?



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Emerald Ash Borer

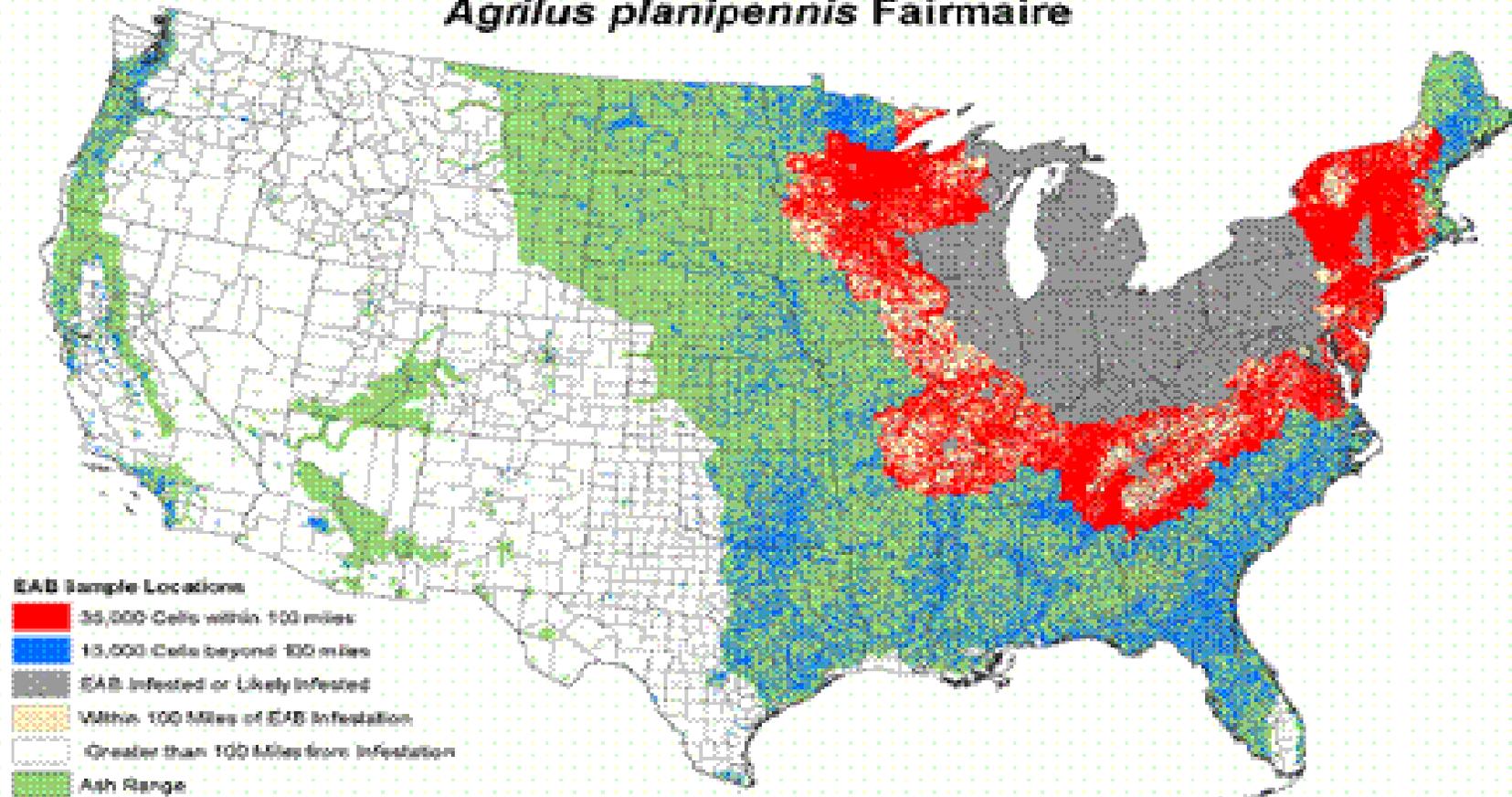
Agrilus planipennis Fairmaire



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Range and Severity of EAB

Emerald Ash Borer Survey Sampling Design *Agilus planipennis* Fairmaire



EAB Sample Locations

- 30,000 Cells within 100 miles
- 15,000 Cells beyond 100 miles
- EAB Infested or Likely Infested
- Within 100 Miles of EAB Infestation
- Greater than 100 Miles from Infestation
- Ash Range

The Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) Sample Design prioritizes detection and monitoring locations based on EAB risk using a spatially balanced random sampling methodology. U.S. counties where EAB has been detected or is likely to already exist were excluded from the potential sample area. This map shows 30,000 sample cell locations within 100 miles of excluded counties and 15,000 cells beyond the 100 mile buffer.

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Miles

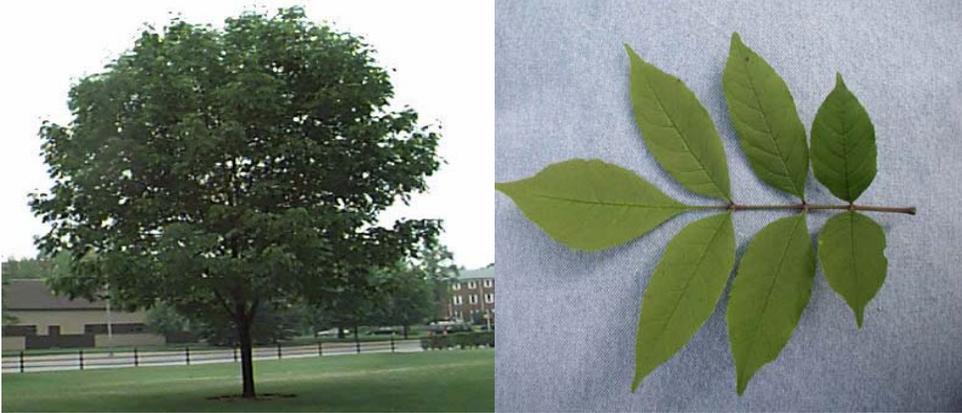
Albers Equal Area Conic Projection



Map produced by FHTET, LLC
Fort Collins, CO on 12-27-2011
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Genus- Fraxinus

Species Black (nigra)



Species White (americana)



Species Green (pennsylvania)



Genus- Sorbus

Species mountain (americana)



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Species Characteristics



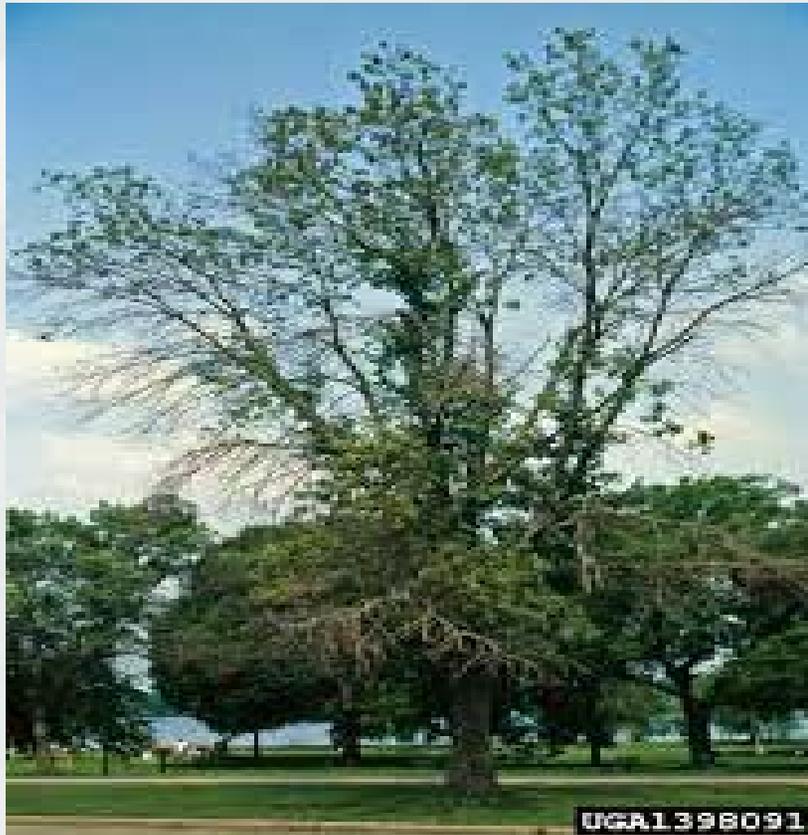
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Indicators



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Indicators- Continued



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Before and After Infestation



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Monitoring

Purple Prism Traps



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Control methods

Chemical



Fire

Biological



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| Insecticide Formulation | Active Ingredient | Application Method | Recommended Timing |
|---|--------------------|--|---|
| <i>Products Intended for Sale to Professional Applicators</i> | | | |
| Merit® (75WP, 75WSP, 2F) | Imidacloprid | Soil injection or drench | Early to mid-spring or mid-fall |
| Safari TM (20 SG) | Dinotefuran | Soil injection or drench | Mid- to late spring |
| Transect TM (70WSP) | Dinotefuran | Soil injection or drench | Mid- to late spring |
| XytectTM (2F, 75WSP) | Imidacloprid | Soil injection or drench | Early to mid-spring or mid-fall |
| Zylam® Liquid Systemic Insecticide | Dinotefuran | Soil injection or drench | Mid- to late spring |
| AzasolTM | Azadirachtin | Trunk injection | Mid- to late spring after trees have leafed out |
| Imicide® | Imidacloprid | Trunk injection | Mid- to late spring after trees have leafed out |
| TREE-ägeTM | Emamectin benzoate | Trunk injection | Mid- to late spring after trees have leafed out |
| TreeAzin® | Azadirachtin | Trunk injection | Mid- to late spring after trees have leafed out |
| SafariTM (20 SG) | Dinotefuran | Systemic bark spray | Mid- to late spring after trees have leafed out |
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| Astro® | Permethrin | Preventive trunk, branch, and foliage cover sprays | Two applications at 4-week intervals; first spray should occur at 450-550 degree days (50°F, Jan.1); coincides with black locust blooming |
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Chemicals- Continued

Products Intended for Sale to Homeowner

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|---|-------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| Bayer Advanced Tree & Shrub Insect Control | Imidacloprid | Soil drench | Early to mid-spring |
| Optrol | Imidacloprid | Soil drench | Early to mid-spring |
| Ortho Tree and Shrub Insect Control Ready to Use Granules | Dinotefuran | Granules | Mid to late spring |



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Zebra and Quagga Mussels: Invasion Timeline, Life History and Consequences

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Zebra and Quagga Mussels

- Originally endemic to Europe
- Introduced to North America in ~ 1986
- Zebra mussels found in Lake St. Clair and western Lake Erie in 1989
- Quagga mussels also introduced in 1986 but not identified until 1991
- Rapidly spread throughout major US and Canadian drainage systems east of the Rocky mountains
- Zebra Mussels: Great Lakes drainage, Mississippi River and eastern tributaries, lower Missouri River, Arkansas River, isolated water bodies
- Quagga Mussels: Great Lakes drainage, upper Mississippi River, lower Ohio Rivers, lower Colorado River, water bodies in CO, AZ, southern CA
- Initial rapid dispersal in navigable waterways on commercial vessels
- Dispersed more slowly to isolated water bodies (i.e., overland transport)
- Quagga mussels found in Lake Mead (2007), soon after in the lower Colorado River, and reservoirs in southern California and Arizona
- Zebra Mussels in San Justo Reservoir Central CA (2008), Lake Texoma TX/OK (2009), Offutt Air Force Base Lake eastern NE (2006)
- Most costly macrofouling and ecological pests ever introduced to North American freshwaters

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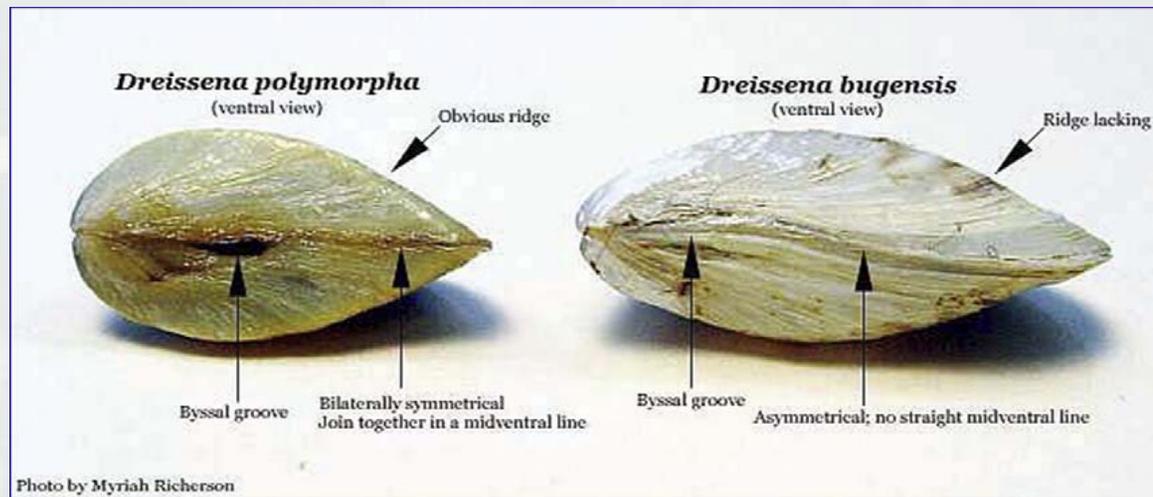
Dreissenid Shell Morphology



Zebra Mussel
Dreissena polymorpha



Quagga Mussel
Dreissena rostriformis bugensis



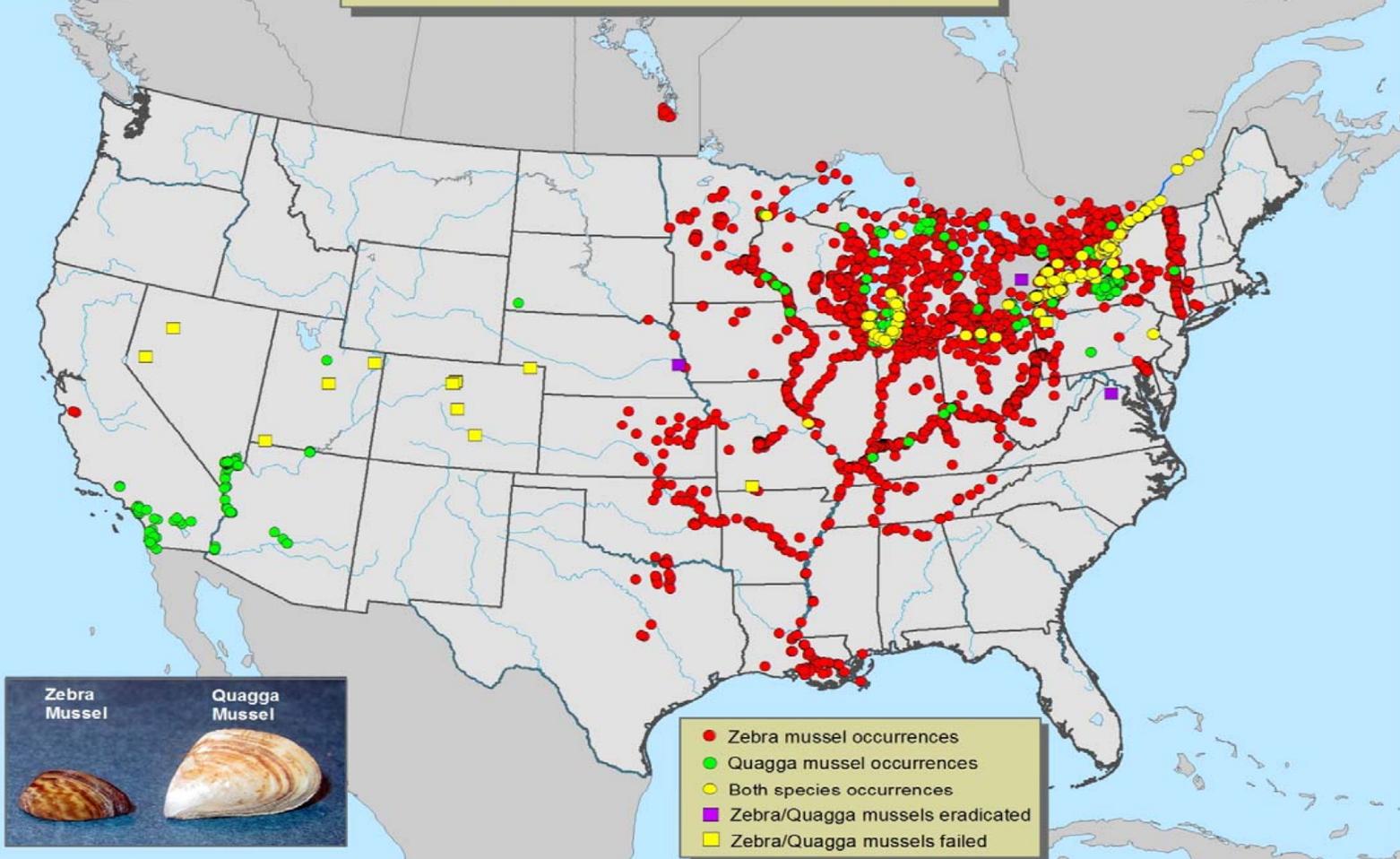
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Zebra and Quagga Mussel Sightings Distribution *Dreissena polymorpha* and *D. rostriformis bugensis*



- Zebra mussel occurrences
- Quagga mussel occurrences
- Both species occurrences
- Zebra/Quagga mussels eradicated
- Zebra/Quagga mussels failed

Map produced by the U.S. Geological Survey, Nonindigenous Aquatic Species Database, March 12, 2015.

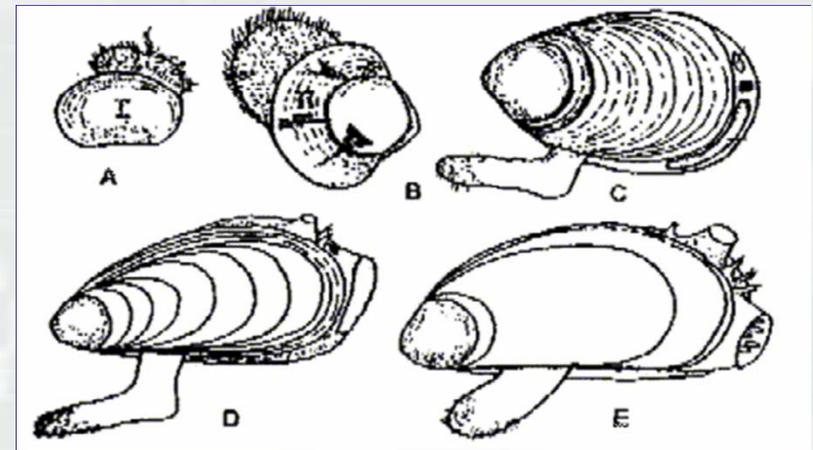
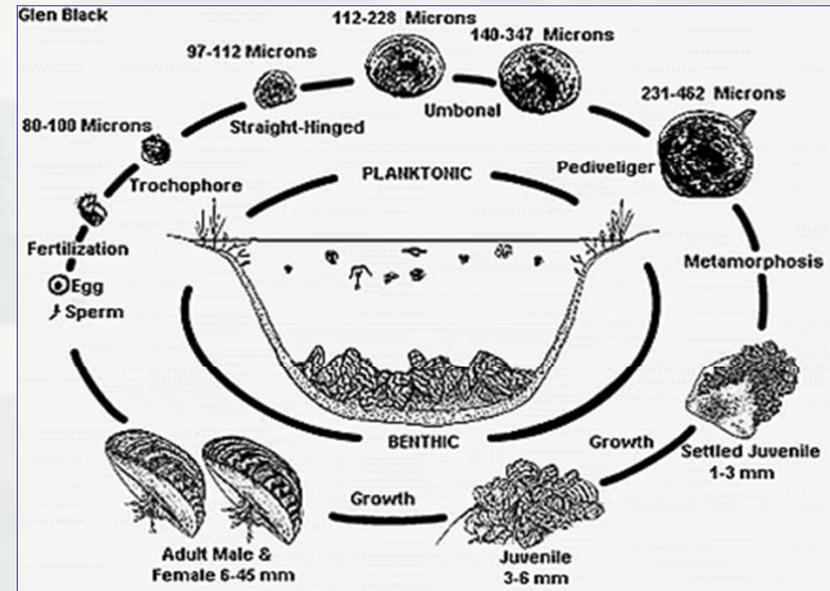


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Dreissenid Life Cycle

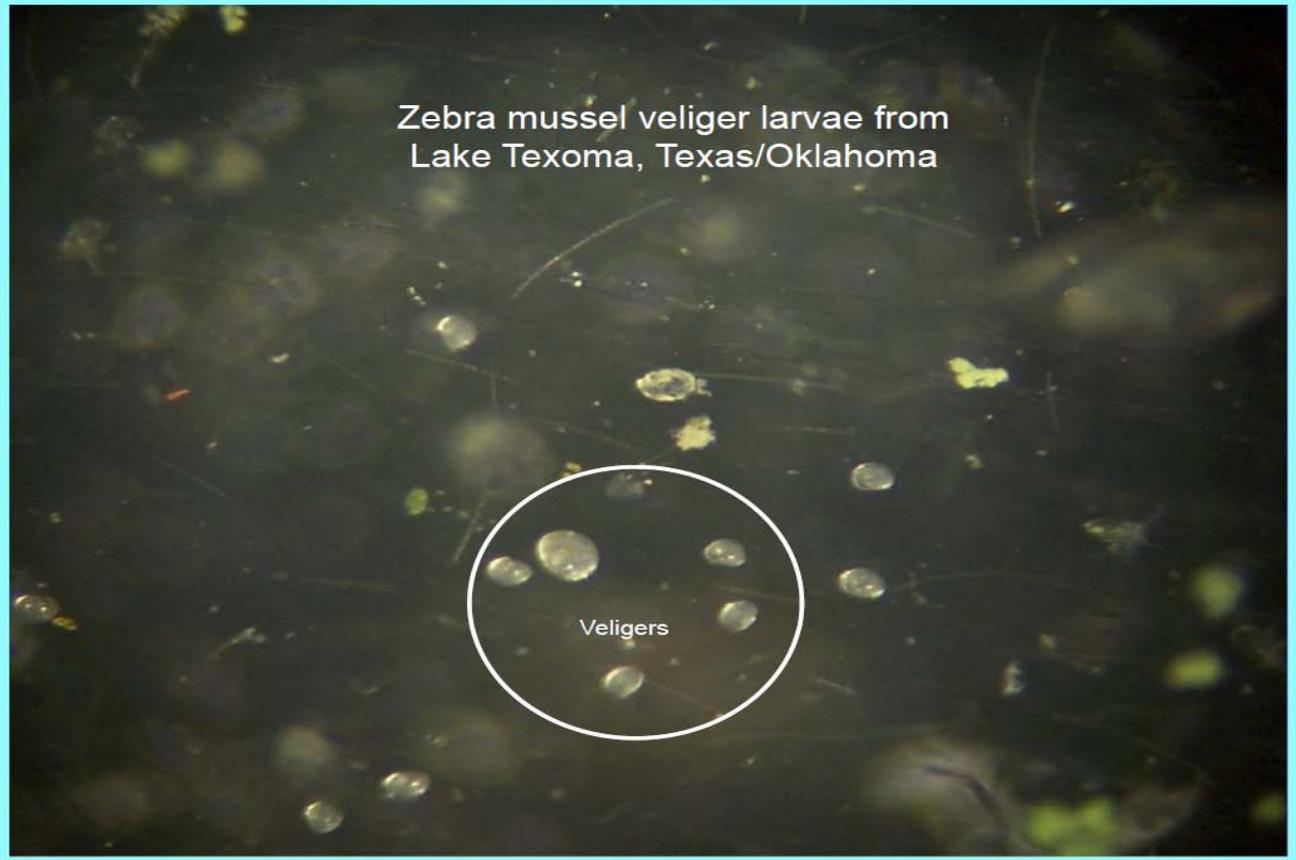
Separate sexes - external fertilization

- Fecundity is typically 30,000-40,000 eggs per adult female per year
- Trochophore larva (6-20 Hours)
 - No shell ($\geq 40 \mu\text{m}$)
- Early Veliger larva (3-4 Days)
 - D-shaped shell (80-100 μm)
- Late veliger larva (1-2 weeks)
 - Umbonal shell (100-250 μm)
- Pediveliger larva (2-3 weeks)
 - Develops foot – settles, crawls to attachment site (200-400 μm)
- Plantigrade (3-4 weeks)
 - Byssal attachment – transforms to mussel shape (250-500 μm)
- Juvenile (3-5 Weeks)
 - Mussel-shaped shell ($>400 \mu\text{m}$)
- Spawning occurs at low levels $> 10^{\circ}\text{C}$
- Spawning maximized at $> 18-28^{\circ}\text{C}$
- Settle in three to five weeks



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Zebra mussel veliger larvae from
Lake Texoma, Texas/Oklahoma



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Dreissenid Population Dynamics

- **Maximum life span is typically 3-5 years depending on population**
- **Maximum adult size = 25 – 40 mm depending on population**
- **Growth rate typically declines with increasing adult size**
- **Survival rate is low across year classes**
- **Adult growth rates and population density dependent on temperature, water quality and food densities**
- **High fecundity leads to development of massive populations within 3-5 years after initial introduction**



Filter Feeding

- Zebra and quagga mussels both efficiently filter bacterioplankton (< 1 μm). Also phytoplankton, micro-detritus particles, and small zooplankton
- Average ≈ 1.5 L / day
- 150,000 L / day at a density of 100,000 mussels / m²
- Results in rapid water clarification
- Removes phytoplankton, bacteria and micro-detritus negatively impacting energy flow through food webs
- Promotes toxic blue-green algae blooms
- Quagga mussels are more efficient at filtering bacteria
- Can lead to eventual replacement of zebra mussels by quagga mussels





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Key Water Quality Factors Affecting Dreissenid Mussel Distribution and Invasion

- **pH:** Inhabit waters of pH > 7.4
Attain highest densities at pH > 8.0
- **Calcium Ion Concentration:** Not found in waters with calcium concentrations below 10-12 mg Ca/L
> 24 mg Ca/L is optimal for growth and reproduction
- **Oxygen Concentration:** Not generally found below 30% of full air oxygen saturation
Prevents mussels from establishing in the deeper portions of Texas water bodies which become oxygen depleted during summer months
- **Temperature:** Mussels cannot tolerate long-term exposures to temperatures greater than 32°C (90°F)
Some Texas water bodies have surface water temperatures that average above 32°C during summer months making them resistant to zebra mussel infestation



Zebra mussel infestations can lead to extensive ecological and economic costs

Zebra mussels in KS, OK and TX have evolved increased thermal tolerances (30 vs. 32°C or 86° vs. 90°F)

Could eventually lead to mussel infestation of many Texas water bodies

Invasion risk assessments are required to determine the most at risk water bodies

- **Successful invasion may require introduction of a large number of mussels**
- **Analysis of boater movements/visitations**
 - **Collect data on boater movements (100th Meridian Boater Movement Database)**
- **Analysis of water body physical/chemical parameters**
 - **pH, Ca²⁺ concentration, O₂ concentration, summer surface water temperatures**
- **Concentrate prevention efforts on at-risk water bodies to reduce the rate of mussel introduction which could reduce the potential for mussel infestation**



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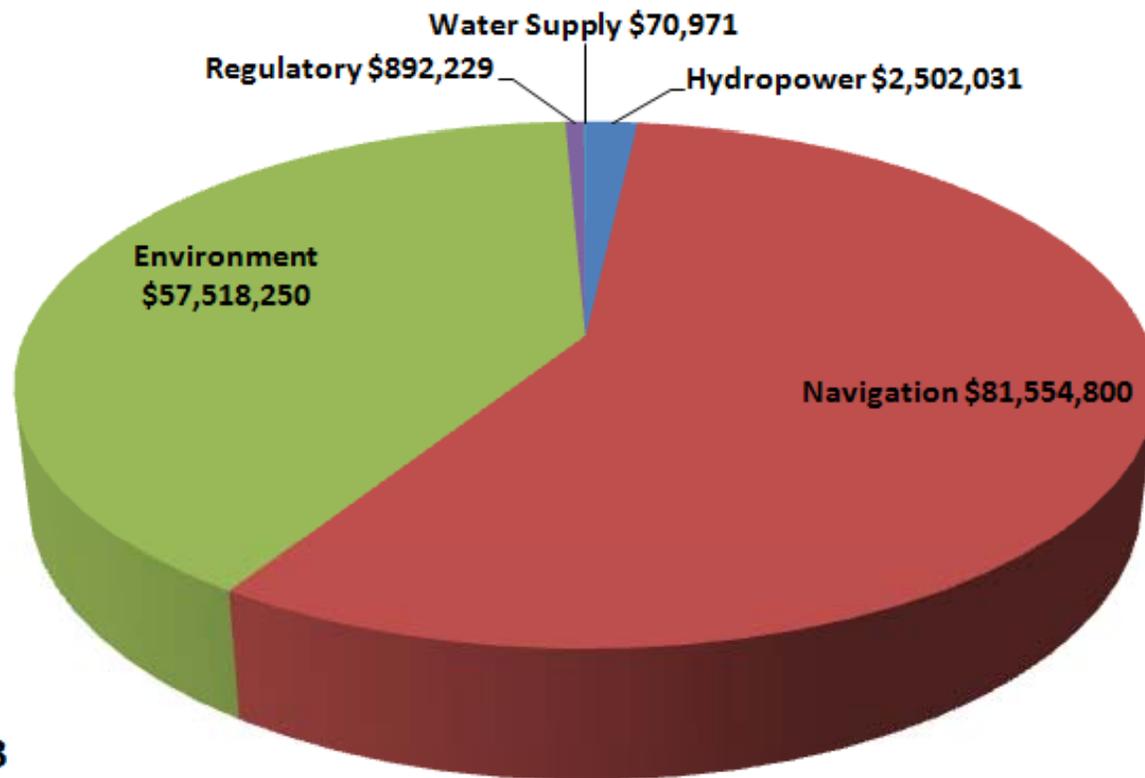
Fiscal Year 2009 – Fiscal Year 2016 cost categories for Invasive Species

| | FY09 | FY10 | FY11 | FY12 | FY14 | FY15 (Enacted) | FY16 (Pres. Budget) |
|------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|------------------------|
| Prevention | \$15,628,980 | \$14,186,768 | \$22,768,255 | \$23,538,108 | \$8,447,825 | \$30,326,990 | \$31,849,979 |
| ED&RR | \$8,529,248 | \$8,850,212 | \$11,870,812 | \$11,229,782 | \$9,225,489 | \$14,070,145 | \$15,254,231 |
| Control | \$83,629,351 | \$76,806,259 | \$83,219,082 | \$73,598,102 | \$109,705,363 | \$57,352,023 | \$61,065,729 |
| Research | \$4,490,000 | \$6,236,000 | \$6,541,232 | \$1,749,600 | \$4,647,647 | \$9,611,430 | \$6,028,709 |
| Restoration | \$10,550,200 | \$5,111,250 | \$29,826,460 | \$23,080,244 | \$12,243,975 | \$17,318,098 | \$18,637,728 |
| Ed & Public Awareness | \$2,577,068 | \$2,746,711 | \$3,508,579 | \$3,355,460 | \$2,796,070 | \$6,740,325 | \$7,334,356 |
| Leadership/Int . Cooperation | \$1,346,000 | \$1,445,000 | \$1,476,000 | \$1,485,300 | \$1,505,000 | \$2,074,816 | \$2,376,852 |
| TOTALS | \$126,750,847 | \$115,382,200 | \$159,210,421 | \$138,036,596 | \$148,571,369 | \$137,493,826 | \$142,547,583 |



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USACE Invasive Species FY16 Estimated Spending by Business Line

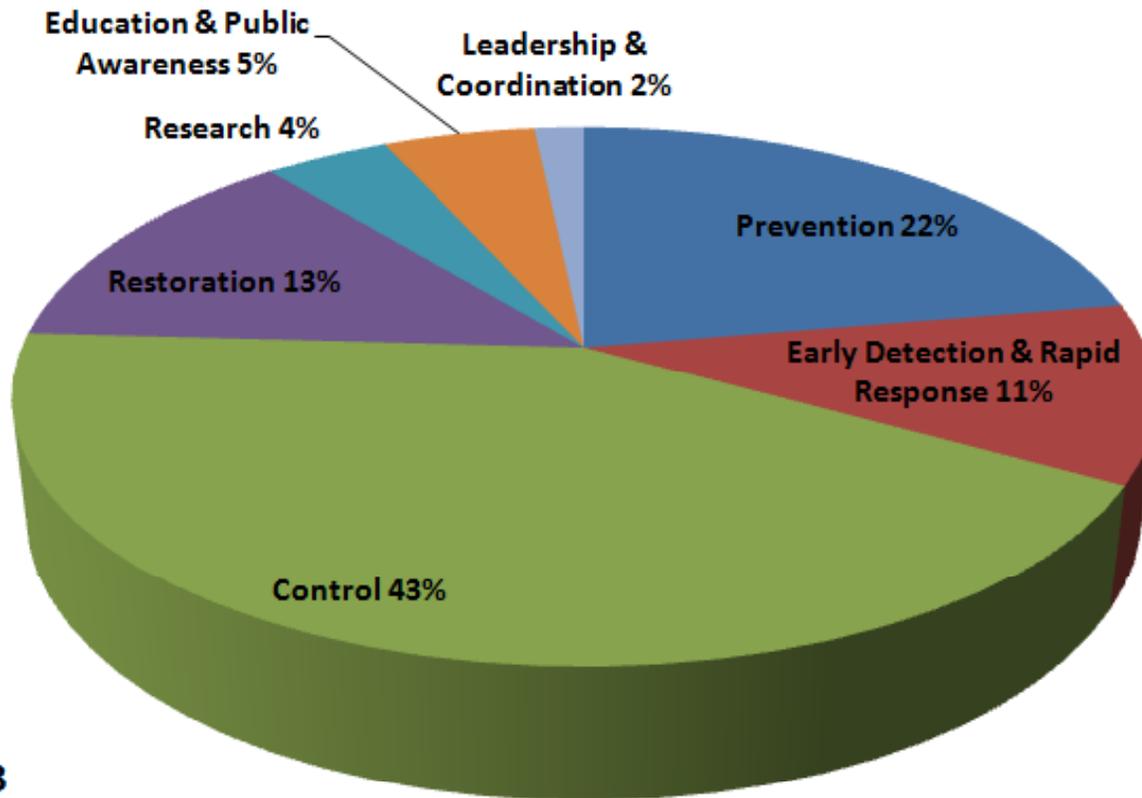


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USACE Invasive Species FY16 Estimated Spending by Action



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Control Methodologies and Considerations for ZM's

- Chemical: (Chlorine, Chlorine Dioxide, Chloramines, Potassium Permanganate, Bromine, Hydrogen Peroxide, Ozone, Flocculation, pH Adjustment, Molluscicides, Potassium Chloride, Copper Sulfate, Copper Ion Generation)



Control cont.

- Non-Chemical: Manual Cleaning (scraping, power washing, pigging), Velocity Control, Filtration, Thermal Treatment, Antifoul and Foul Release Coatings, Desiccation, Ultraviolet Light, Acoustics, Electric Current

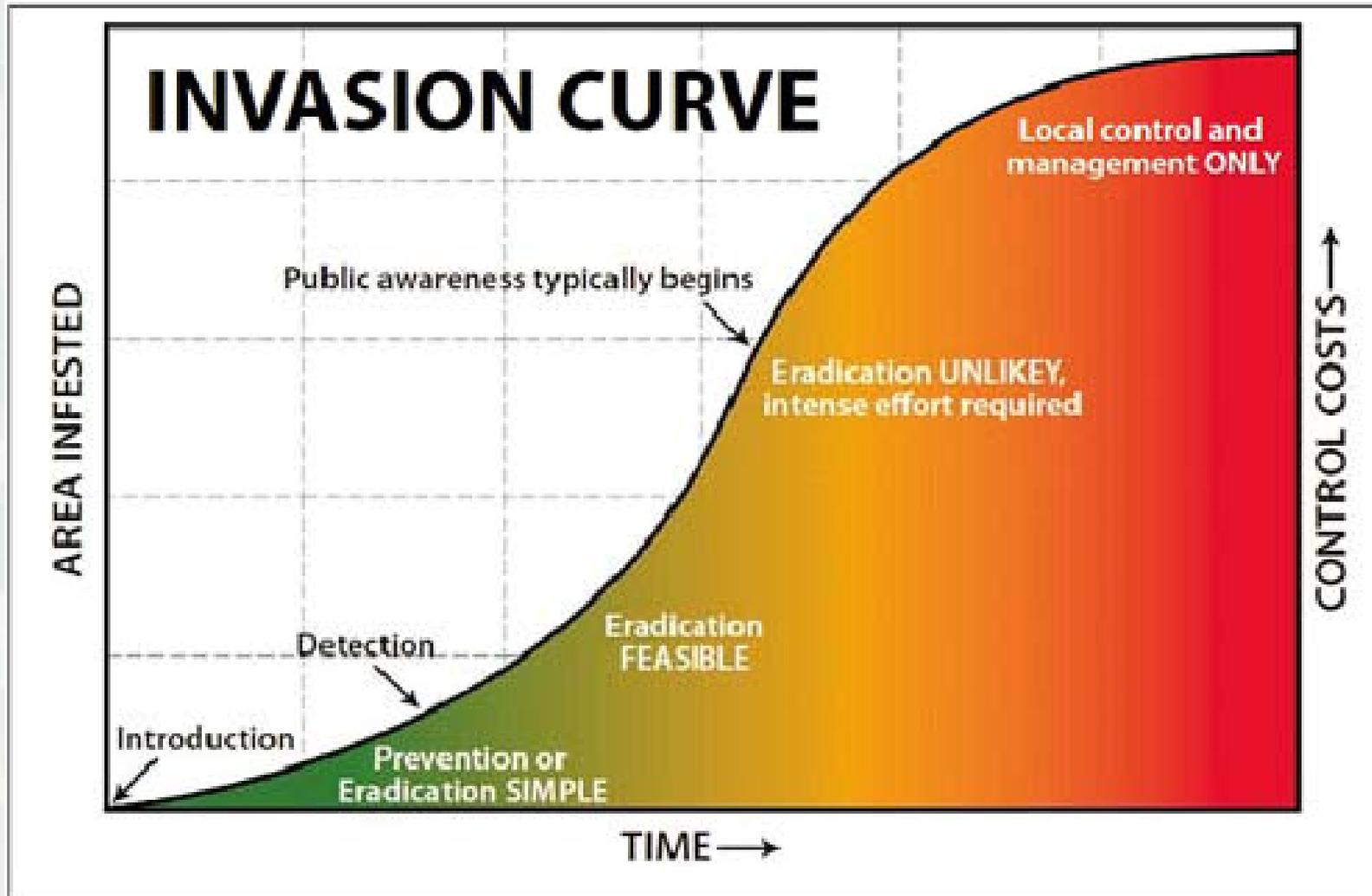


Control Methodology Considerations

- Site specific conditions are critical when evaluating control methodologies and strategies (water chemistry, open water or isolated cove, critical infrastructure to include water conveyance facilities and treatment plants)
- Also important to consider regulatory and the legal aspects of certain control methodologies being considered



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Strategies

- Utilize resources available for prevention or try and control spread
- Work with stakeholders, resource agencies and public on control efforts
- Information and Education for both USACE staff and the public
- Access restrictions and citation authority



Questions?



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