A Draft Mission Statement
for Ohio’s
Aquatic Invasive Species Committee

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A Mission Statement…

• Is usually considered to address the mechanics of “who” and “what.”
• Assumed our committee will continue to be hosted by OSU staff/faculty (but not necessarily so).
• Thus, goes unstated in the following.
A strawman proposal:

• To serve as a forum (1) for diverse stakeholders and partner agencies to provide an advisory service to the state of Ohio [and its Department of Natural Resources, Division of Wildlife] regarding the prevention and control of aquatic invasive species and (2) for the state to inform stakeholders of developing issues and policy.
Word-smithed:

• To provide a forum for Ohio’s diverse stakeholders (its resource management agencies and related industries and organizations) to advise the state about the prevention and control of aquatic invasive species and for the state to inform those stakeholders about developing issues and policy.
A Vision statement…

- Is usually considered to address the more esoteric states of “why” and “how.”
- Not universal among entities that formalize a mission.
- Do we need one?
- If so, proposals…
- If not…
Thank you