

OHIO SEA GRANT AND STONE LABORATORY

Great Lakes AIS Landing Blitz

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- Collaborative **outreach campaign** to raise awareness about preventing the spread of aquatic invasive species through **recreational boating** and related activities
- Local **volunteers** partner with state agencies to deliver consistent messaging about preventing the introduction and spread of AIS from the movement of watercraft and equipment between water bodies at both public and private **boating access sites** throughout the state
- Effort occurs during a set **timeframe**
- Event is **promoted** locally and statewide.



Messaging

- Local partners are empowered to meet with boaters to deliver **outreach** that may include:
 - **“Clean, Drain, Dry”** and “Stop Aquatic Hitchhikers” campaign messaging
 - Boat washing, inspection, and equipment decontamination **procedures** (with and without a mobile or permanent wash station)
 - Reporting protocols for priority invasive species and others
 - **State specific** AIS laws and regulations

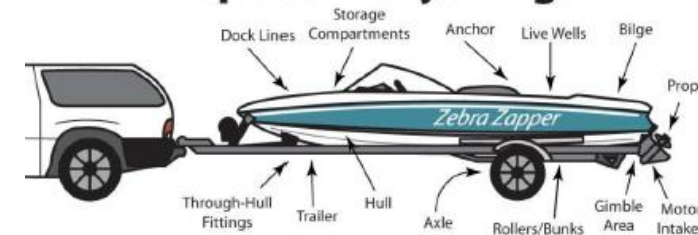


**STOP AQUATIC
HITCHHIKERS!™**

Be A Good Steward.
Clean. Drain. Dry.

StopAquaticHitchhikers.org

Before leaving and before launching...
inspect everything!



Expected Outcomes

- Boaters/anglers that are **better informed** about AIS prevention and best management practices that can be used to limit the spread of AIS
- Increased **media attention** (press releases, radio spots, etc.) **on AIS** at both a local and regional scale
- Strengthened local, state, and regional **partnerships** on AIS outreach



Event Website: <https://www.glc.org/work/blitz>

- Information about events across the Great Lakes from
June 28 – July 7, 2019
- Locations
- Partners
- How to Prevent the Spread of AIS
- Media Information

About the Great Lakes AIS Landing Blitz

Boaters and other recreators will learn about the risks of spreading aquatic invasive species (AIS) at public and private boating access sites across the Great Lakes region this summer. The Great Lakes AIS “Landing Blitz” events will take place over a two-week period, from **June 28 – July 7, 2019**.

Local volunteers will partner with state and provincial agencies to deliver consistent messaging about preventing the introduction and spread of AIS from the movement of watercraft and equipment between water bodies. Information on these events, including educational materials, locations and volunteer opportunities will be posted on this page as they become available.

The 2019 Great Lakes AIS Landing Blitz is a multi-agency partnership effort.

Refresher on AIS Best Practices for Recreational Trailered Watercraft

- Incorporate AIS prevention into your standard procedures
- Outreach with tournament mailings, rules meeting and weigh-in
- Document your efforts with a checklist
- Use resources from Sea Grant
- <http://seagrants.wisc.edu/cleanboats>

Tournament Equipment to Check

- Tubs
- Hoses
- Pumps
- Scale
- Bump tank
- Measuring board
- Totes
- Bags
- Nets
- Docks
- Judge/release boat



Angler Equipment to Check

- Boat
 - Anchor systems
 - Water in bilge, motor, live wells etc.
- Trailer
 - Rollers/Bunks, Axles, Lights/Wires



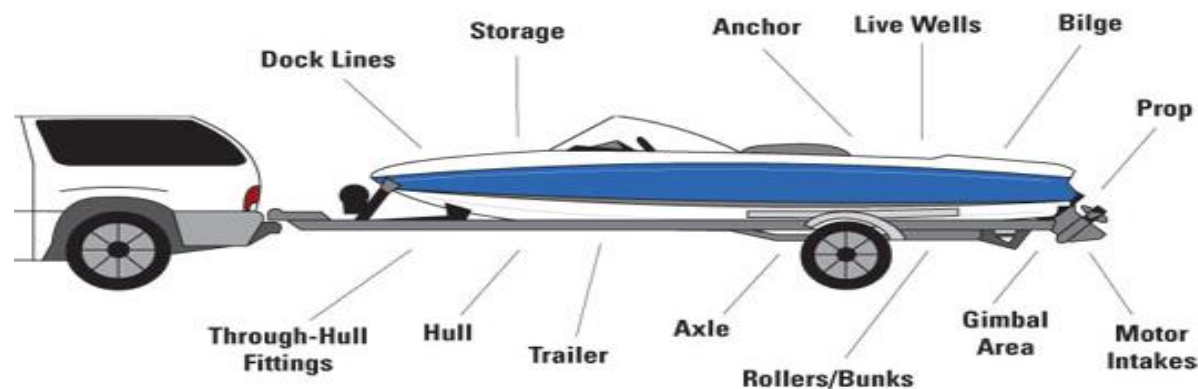
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Prevent the transport of nuisance species.
Clean all recreational equipment.
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BMP – Good

- **Inspect** boats, trailers and all equipment
- **Remove** any vegetation, debris or animals
- **Drain** water from Motor, Bilge, Wells, etc.
- **Plan** and record your efforts



BMP – Better

- Inspect – Remove – Drain
- **Cold Rinse** boats, trailers and equipment with garden hose
- **Disinfect** with a mild bleach (0.5 oz/quart water) or salt solution (2/3 cup/gallon water) on all equipment



BMP- Best

- Inspect – Remove – Drain – Decontaminate
- **High Pressure Rinse** with a pressure washer in a wash line for boats/trailer



BMP – Exceptional

- Inspect – Remove – Drain – Decontaminate
- **Hot Pressure Rinse** with pressure washer with water above 140° F in a wash line for boats/trailers.



Ohio's Event

- Sunday, July 7
- Partnership between ODNR, Ohio Sea Grant, Ohio Clean Marinas and North Coast Bass Anglers Association, Prime Time Junior Anglers, Cool Runnings Fishing Club
- East Harbor State Park
- Outreach and Education
- Community Service for Youth Angling Group
- Contact Sarah at orlando.42@osu.edu for more info



Interested in More Info on the Landing Blitz? Want to Add Your Own Event?

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Thank You!

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