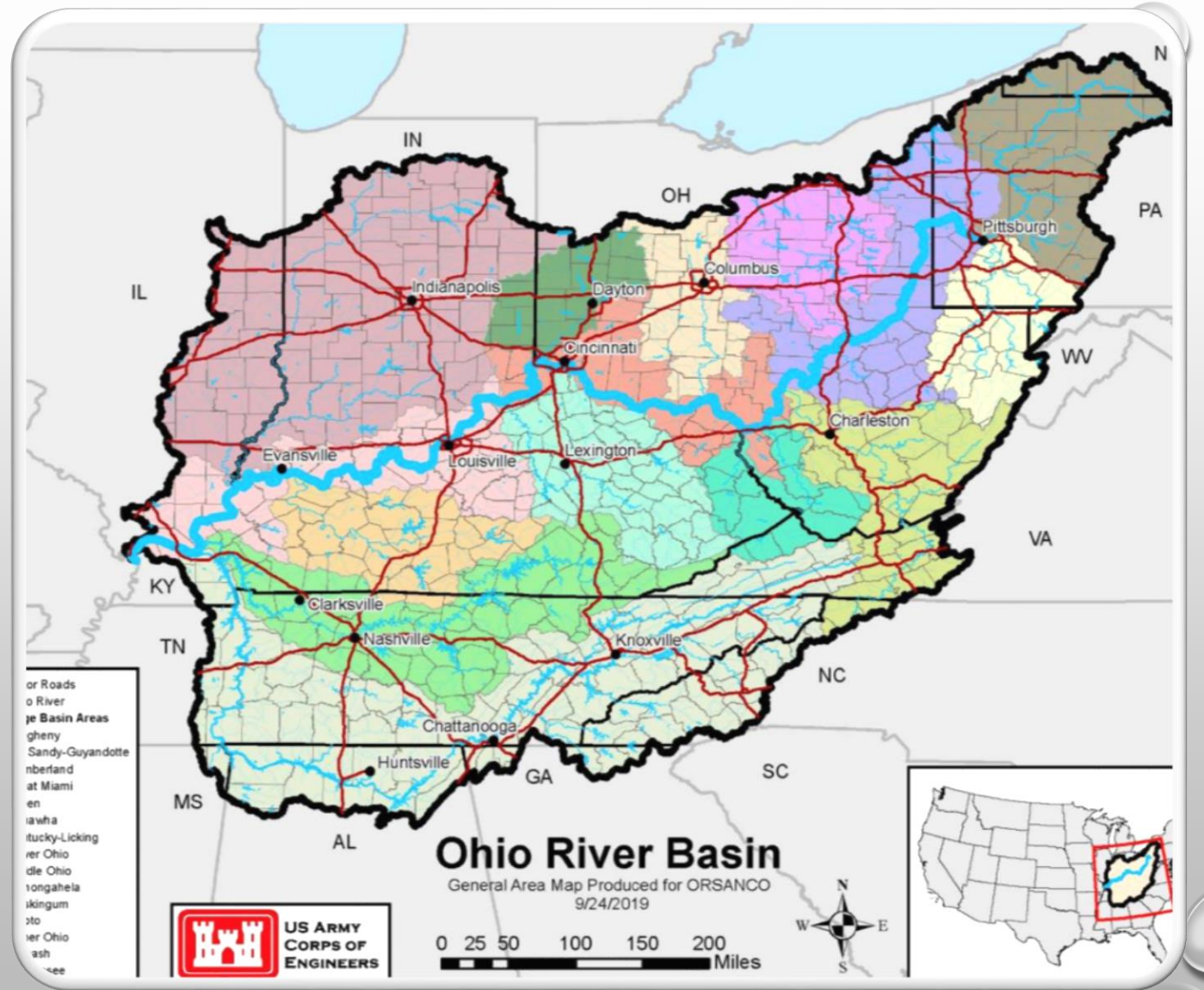


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# OHIO RIVER RESTORATION

# OHIO RIVER BASIN





# OHIO RIVER BASIN RESTORATION: BIG PICTURE GOALS

- TRANSPORTATION & COMMERCE
  - ABUNDANT CLEAN WATER
  - WORLD-CLASS NATURE-BASED RECREATION OPPORTUNITIES
  - RELIABLE FLOOD CONTROL AND RISK REDUCTION
  - KNOWLEDGE & EDUCATION
  - HEALTHY & PRODUCTIVE ECOSYSTEMS
    - Jordan Lubetkin, Director, Ohio River Restoration, National Wildlife Federation
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# HEALTHY & PRODUCTIVE ECOSYSTEMS

- SPECIES & HABITAT
  - WATER QUALITY
  - HYDROLOGY
  - INVASIVE SPECIES
  - CLIMATE CHANGE
  - EQUITY & JUSTICE
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# KEY RESOURCES

- Plan for the Ohio River Basin\_2020-2025. Ohio River Valley Sanitation Commission (ORSANCO), Ohio River Basin Alliance, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
- The Ohio River Basin Fish Habitat Partnership Strategic Plan. (2013).
- Ohio River Basin Comprehensive Reconnaissance Report. (2009). U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
- Ohio River Basin Asian Carp Control Strategy Framework. (2014). Ohio River Fisheries Management Team
- **??WHAT ARE WE MISSING??**

## KEY INVASIVES?

Species such as *silver* and *bighead carp*, *emerald ash borer*, *zebra mussels*, *hydrilla*, and *Japanese knotweed* have already been documented within the basin and have demonstrated the capacity to cause lasting environmental and economic damage.

??WHAT SPECIES SHOULD THIS SENTENCE INCLUDE??

# GOALS & SOLUTIONS

## GOALS

- INCREASED COORDINATION
- RESEARCH/MONITORING
- OUTREACH/EDUCATION
- DETECTION/PREVENTION/CONTROL -

## SOLUTIONS

- CREATE FORMAL STRUCTURE
- INCREASE APPLIED RESEARCH
- IMPLEMENT PROGRAMMING
- DEDICATE TEAMS/RESOURCES



# SHOVEL-READY EXAMPLES

- Looking for three (3) examples of “shovel-ready projects” in order to establish the scale of funding...

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