

Thank you for your comment, Richard Worthen.

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I write as a public citizen appointed to the Illinois River Coordinating Council (IRCC) and serving for thirteen years. The IRCC has been dealing with the issue of invasive species for years, and the Council understands the complexity of stopping certain species and allowing others to migrate.

Comment 1: GLMRIS requires a two way study, not a one way as your Brandon proposal.

Comment 2: The present anti-migration barrier needs to be maintained and/or improved.

Comment 3: Two way migration is an important concern.

Comment 4: The conflict of restricting the "bad guys" and allowing the "good guys" is a huge conundrum and needs to be admitted into your work.

Comment 5: The most effective obstruction to invasive species will be the establishment of the original natural boundary which requires a physical separation on a permanent basis.

Comment 6: The cheapest effective solution is always the natural one.

Comment 7: The use of land and water resources that impact millions of people in multiple states and nations requires consultation with all the people that are impacted. It also requires money and time and a disposition to solve the problem for the public good and the public commons. Individual corporate exploitation for narrow economic profit should be consulted, but the final decision must be for the public benefit and not narrow, private corporate exploitation that negates the broad, public interest.