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To Whom it May Concern;

Having reviewed the ANS Contol Paper, and having followed this and other invasive species concerns over the past two decades, I believe of the three choices that appear to be viable Hydrologic Seperation offers the most effective choice.

Hydrologic, Vertical Drop and UV Light seem to have the most promise and reduce the number of uncontrollable variables more than any of the other choices. The other choices depend upon predicting uncontrollable and/or unobservable criterion of the aquatic system.

Clearly, only Hydrologic Seperation has the ability to reduce the uncontrollable variables to one - humans. If, for example, a concrete barrier a couple of hundred yards long and wider than reasonable flood stage predictions would likely block invasives. This structure could have a built in transportation system (conveyors?) that could be used to transport cargo from a Great Lakes ship to a river ship. This approach would be relatively inexpensive and would create jobs.

Certainly this approach needs further study and cost analysis, but in my opinion this approach offers the best hope of reducing invasives into the Great Lakes system.

Thank you for you consideration.

Bill Boyd