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I am writing to voice my concern regarding the Corps study of The Asian carp invasive species, the Great Lakes and Mississippi River Basin Interbasin Feasibility Study (GLMRIS).

As I understand the Corps study there are two significant problems:

1 - The Corps was mandated to study ways to prevent invasive species movement between the Great Lakes and Mississippi River. Unfortunately, the Corps has decided to spend precious time and resources to also study ways to "reduce the risk," not simply to prevent. This was not authorized by Congress nor is it a credible strategy that will protect our Great Lakes. It is unacceptable. Only options that will prevent invasive species movement and stop the Asian carp should be studied.

2 - The Corps study takes too long. The Chicago portion of the study is not predicted to be complete until mid-2015, or nearly five years from now. The Corps must acknowledge the urgency of finding a permanent solution, condense the timeline and produce final results for the Chicago portion of GLMRIS within 18 months rather than mid-2015. It is only with a condensed schedule that the Corp will be able to have a significant impact on preventing invasive species movement.