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As a Great Lakes outdoorsman, and native of Michigan I strongly support closing of the Chicago locks. We have repeatedly learn the impact of invasive species, but seldom have we faced one as great as Asian Carp. The unfortunate reality is that Illinois -- with one of the smallest shorelines -- holds all the cards. This decision MUST be taken out of their hands for the greater good of the Great Lakes region.

The Chicago argument is primarily economic for the shipping revenue they will lose. What the fail to acknowledge is the value of commercial fishing, sportfishing, travel and tourism, and all the other industries that could be decimated by this species.

On behalf of all who enjoy the Great Lakes region, please take steps to close the locks immediately. This will afford time for further study before this threat is established in our waters.

Thank you for your time.