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As a resident of Michigan, securing the waterways from invasive species either fish or plants, is vital to our water quality to keep the natural ecosystem from harm. The invasive nature of the carp, lamprey, plants and other aquatic species not native to the Great Lakes is creating an environmental disaster by changing the ecosystem that is vital to our fishing recreation and to the tribal fishing rights of the native populations not to mention the natural filtration system of the Lakes. By closing or creating a capture or protective barrier in the Chicago, locks would assist in stopping some invasion but stricter controls on bilge water purge (ships) before entering the Great Lakes will also provide another barrier to slow or even stop some species. All states with a Great Lakes boundary should have a say not just Chicago when it comes to controls.