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Comment Submitted:

I am writing to urge you to do the following as part of GLMRIS:

1. Close the locks in the Chicago Area Waterways System this year to prevent Asian Carp and other ANS from reaching the Great Lakes. I urge you to do this on a temporary basis while you are completing the study to determine the best way to accomplish hydrological separation of the water ways, and to determine how to provide means for Chicago commercial transportation as well as sewage disposal. The electronic barriers have been helpful, but they are not effective during flooding. Evidence of Asian Carp beyond the barriers has shown up this year as the Notre Dame eDNA study shows. A complete hydrological separation is needed.
2. Collaborate and utilize the conclusions of the study being conducted by the Great Lakes Commission and the Great Lakes and St. Lawrence Cities Initiative. This group plans complete their study and present options for separating the two watersheds by January 2012.
3. Push back the barriers in the Chicago Waterways to keep Asian Carp and other ANS further away from the Great Lakes
4. Make permanent the separation between other waterways and the great lakes where there is a risk of Asian Carp and other ANS. This includes the Eagle Marsh in Indiana.
5. After attending the hearing in Traverse City, I have concerns about your plan to catch up to 1 million Asian Carp this year. What will you do with them? Please, do not create a food market for Asian Carp!!!

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this study.