Prevention is widely regarded as the first line of defense in any successful invasive species management program, and traditionally considered the most cost efficient approach against any aquatic or terrestrial invader. This special interdisciplinary session will discuss the broad issues associated with the Prevention of Invasive Species in the United States and will explore many facets and challenges across “all taxa”.

Session Objective: Using a set of “teaser” questions, open a dialog on the varied aspects of prevention, with the goal of compiling and synthesizing new ideas and identifying new and emerging issues that to use and improve our national efforts to prevent invasive species. Each component will be facilitated.

Session Outcome: Using the results of this session, NISC, FICMNEW, ANSTF, and ITAP will collaborate to develop a summary product to help advance invasive species prevention activities in the United States, building upon past NISC and ISAC efforts related to invasive species prevention. The objective is to improve prevention of invasive species introductions and spread across all taxa, and across all ecosystems and jurisdictions.

Agenda

8:00am  Welcome, Introduction, and Overview  Stanley Burgiel, Susan Mangin, and Jenny Ericson
8:30am  Session Facilitation and Process  Facilitators: Jane, Kathy, and Alexandra
9:00am  Session 1 (Prevention at Various Scales)  Facilitators

- What are the different scales we need to address? How do we deal with multi-jurisdictional invasive species problems?
- How do we deal with differences in prevention practices across agencies, programs, etc.?
- What are the policy implications of requiring or implementing prevention measures?
- How can we build a better understanding of the challenges for implementing prevention measures that span the county, state, federal level for implementing prevention measures at boundaries?

10:15am  BREAK

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