

Aquatic Plant Management Strategic Analysis – Scoping Phase

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The following is a draft list of topics the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR) is considering for the Aquatic Plant Management (APM) strategic analysis. Please provide feedback on any of the topics and/or describe additional topics that should be evaluated.

- State and federal rules and statutes directing APM
- Roles of WDNR, Wisconsin Department of Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP), county, etc.
- History of APM in Wisconsin
- Regional variability
- Aquatic plant management in other states
- Role of aquatic plants in freshwater ecosystems
- Invasive species – status, trends, and management
- Stakeholders
- Perspectives on aquatic plant management – why manage, what to manage, and how to manage
- Review of possible management goals and objectives
- Effects of aquatic plant management on non-target species, water quality, genetics, economics, human health, etc.
- Summary of management techniques
- Best management practices: Integrated and adaptive pest management, minimizing risk, outcome assessment, planning, cost and notification, species-specific best management practices: techniques, timing, scale
- Potential program changes and future directions