

Who's this jerk?

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What does he know?

Aquatic Invasive Species

Aquatic invasive species (AIS) legally defined in WA as “invasive species of the animal kingdom with a life cycle that is at least partly dependent upon fresh, brackish, or marine waters. Examples include nutria, waterfowl, amphibians, fish, and shellfish.”

- RCW 77.135.010

WDFW is lead agency for AIS on state lands.



Nutria

Image from USGS



Favorite Lake Critters – Non-native Edition



Freshwater jellyfish
Craspedacusta sowerbii
Image by Dave Head, USGS



Magnificent bryozoan
Pectinatella magnifica



Resources

Report AIS: <https://invasivespecies.wa.gov/report-a-sighting/invasive-animals/>

Nutria Info Page: <https://wdfw.wa.gov/species-habitats/invasive/myocastor-coypus>

Canadian Geese Info Page: <https://wdfw.wa.gov/species-habitats/species/branta-canadensis>

Quagga and Zebra Mussel Info Page: <https://wdfw.wa.gov/species-habitats/invasive/greatest-concern/zebra-quagga>

Golden Mussel Info Page: <https://wdfw.wa.gov/species-habitats/species/limnoperna-fortunei>

