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TO: Members of the National Invasive Species Council (NISC)

SUBJECT: Recommendations to NISC from the ISAC Meeting held April 27-28, 2006

During the April 27-28 meeting at the Radisson Hotel Old Town in Alexandria, VA; ISAC agreed upon the following recommendations:

Recommendation I: In addition to ISAC/NISC Subcommittee review, NISC further provide a formal role for ISAC in future revisions of the National Invasive Species Management Plan.

Recommendation II: ISAC approves the Pathways Ranking Guide Report, and requests that NISC and ANSTF prepare an implementation strategy for the Guide to be used within Federal agencies.

Recommendation III: That USDA (CSREES) provide information to ISAC on whether NRI funding for invasive species research has increased as the coverage of that program has increased from invasive plants to invasive species of all types. If so, how much has the program's funding increased?

Recommendation IV: ISAC Classes One and Three support the proposal that ISAC Class Two be given an opportunity to serve a full three-year term in accordance with the ISAC Charter signed by Secretary Norton on April 25, 2005.

Recommendation V: ISAC approved it's *Invasive Species Definition Clarification and Guidance White Paper,* as amended, on April 28, 2006; and recommends that it be appended to the revised edition of the National Invasive Species Management Plan.

Recommendation VI: ISAC encourages the Department of Defense to incorporate the funding of Asian Carp barriers in the Chicago Sanitary and Ship Canal into the routine Army Corps of Engineers operations and maintenance of that waterway, in keeping with the spirit of Section 2 of Executive Order 13112.

Recommendation VII: That NISC provide additional, on-going guidance for the NISC/ISAC Subcommittees.

Sincerely,

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