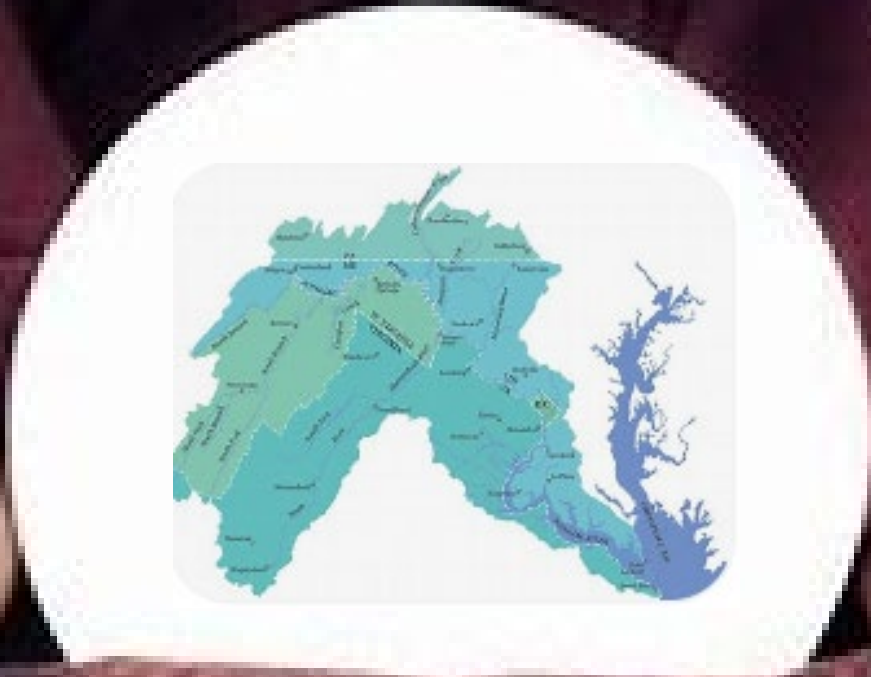


The Potomac of the Future will be different than the Potomac of the Past



Peter Tango
USGS@CBPO

October 17, 2024

Reeling in Invasive Species

A few notes about me: Growing up with Dad – the outdoorsman



My early days – the community knew me

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ROD AND RIFLE

Hank Panchyshyn

Fishing Results

Well with the week starting out so poorly I was beginning to wonder if I would have any decent reports to make this week, but thank God for Friday, Saturday and Sunday. It appears as if the bass were just waiting for the weekend to start before beginning to feed.

Fred Mangabang of Monticello took a 2 lb. 15 oz. bass from Davies Lake, and Perry Meltzer, a Monticello attorney, took a dandy 6 lb. 1 1/2 oz. bass from Lake Louise Marie. It measured 20 1/2" long and had a 16 1/2" girth. Billy Stanton of Rock Hill took a whopping 6 lb. 4 oz. bass that measured 21" long and had a girth of 16 3/4". Congratulations, Bill!!! Ron Stanton of Rock Hill took four largemouth that all weighed in over 2 lb., the largest of which was pickered in the two pound class while fishing at Yankee Lake. So, as you can see, the fish are starting to feed; bass fever is running rampant; and I recommend that you take the time and do a little fishing.

Now for which lure most of the successful fishermen have been using — it has been the rubber worm, although many have been caught on spinner baits and live bait. Also the jig and pig has accounted for Perry Meltzer's two lunkers, and he keeps insisting that it is going to produce him a much bigger fish yet!! So, the way I see it at this point, if you put the time in fishing, just about any of these lures will give you pleasant results at the end of the day.

As far as the color, it appears that



Dynamic Duo

Pete Tango, right, and Russ Dobransky had a good day of fishing too. The boys caught three largemouth bass ~~weighing~~ more than 3 1/2 pounds, plus two pickered.

Jack and Kay Danchak

SPORTSMAN OUTDOORS

Tango Wins Swinging Bridge

Peter Tango Jr. of Wurtsboro won Don Kobiela of Cocheton RD came

Loved bass fishing



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The Fishing Is Good for Some Folks

fishing on the Beaver Brook Hunting Club's private lake, caught four nice bass, the largest weighing in at 4 lb. 2 oz. Frank was using a Mann's motor-oil augertail 6 in. worm.

Members of the Stiff-neck Hunting Club in Callicoon went shark fishing off Long Beach, N.Y. Johnny Miller Jr. caught two blue-shark that weighed 175 lbs. each. John Miller Sr. caught three shark, the largest weighing 250 lbs. 8-year-old Chris McShane caught a 70 lb. Maco on 20 lb. test line. The fishermen were using mackerel as bait and chum.

three fish on the jig and pig black on black. Mike's catch headed him from 6th to 2nd place in standings.

Dan Schoonmaker of Middletown came in 4th with two fish of weight of 6 lb. 11 oz. Dan caught fish on a white spinnerbait. Dan placed him 4th in the club standings.

Jack Danchak came in 5th place with three fish for total weight of 66 lb. 11 oz. Jack credits a spinnerbait and for his catch. Jack remains in 18th in the club's standings by a 5 lb margin.

Ken Bloom came in sixth place with three fish for total weight of 66 lb. 11 oz. Ken credits the Sassy shad for his catch. Ken also moved from 18th to 11th in the club standings.

The club caught a total of 266 lb. 11 oz. Everyone seems to be enjoying themselves and we can say that Chadwick Lake still harbors some fish.

JULY 1983 **Tango Wins Chadwick 1st Bassmasters Tournament**

19-year-old Peter Tango Jr. of Wurtsboro, one of the younger members of the 1st Bassmasters Fishing Club to Sullivan County, won the club tournament held recently at Chadwick Lake in Newburgh.

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Summer Success

Well summer has finally made it. We have gone from cold, windy, rainy weather to extreme heat and high humidity. Now which one is the best for fishing is anyone's guess. Every week we have a few nice catches that lead you to believe that something is starting to break, but then it peters right out and fishing again becomes hard. It appears that most of the fish acquire some form of lockjaw or decide to go on a hunger strike and refuse to take almost anything. Of course you always have a few showoffs who seem to be able to catch fish under any conditions to make the rest of us feel like dummies.

You have guys like Ben Feder of Lake Louise Marie who brought in a 4 lb. pickered that measured 23 3/4" long. And then there are other guys like Pete Tango who seems to be hogging most of my pictures in the Democrat lately with fish like this 5 lb. 5 1/2 oz. largemouth accompanied by a 3 1/4 lb. lunkers, and just accept them if they come!!

Also I would like to mention that Claude Wilcox of Monticello brought in a 24 lb. 14 oz. carp, taken in Swinging Bridge. Eric Ivan, also of Monticello, caught a 16 lb. 1 oz. carp also out of Swinging Bridge.

Now to let you in on my success so far this year, I want you to note that I have left this for the last few lines only because that is all the room necessary to say that I probably would have had better luck had I stayed at the store and fished in my bait tanks. My biggest bass so far this year was 5 lb. 4 oz. minus a few inches which a large snapping turtle decided he needed worse than I did. So a word of advice, if you catch a fish you decide to keep and put him on a stringer, beware of hungry mouths that lie in waiting.



Two Lunkers

Pete Tango is one of the success stories of summer fishing. Pete caught two lunkers from Yankee Lake recently. One tipped the scales at 3 pounds, 5 1/2 ounces, and the other weighed 3 pounds, 3 ounces.

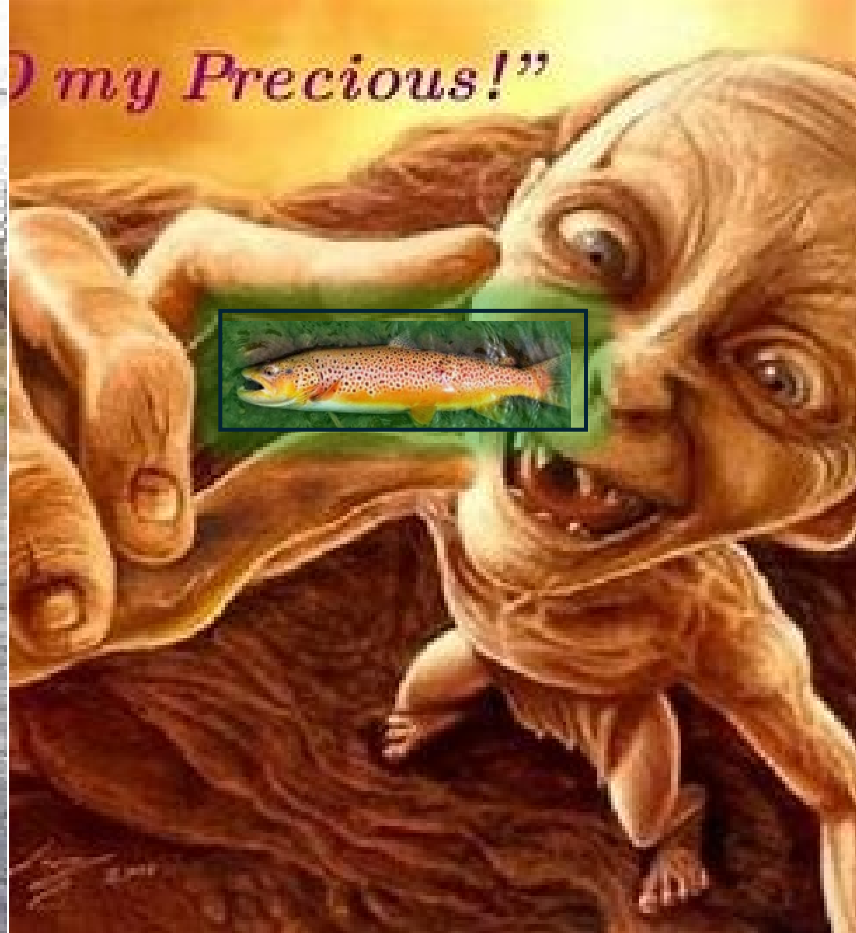


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1983 - A second bass tournament win. Sullivan Co.



A lifetime of loving to chase rainbow trout!



And always in search of “The precious”
(aka Brown trout)



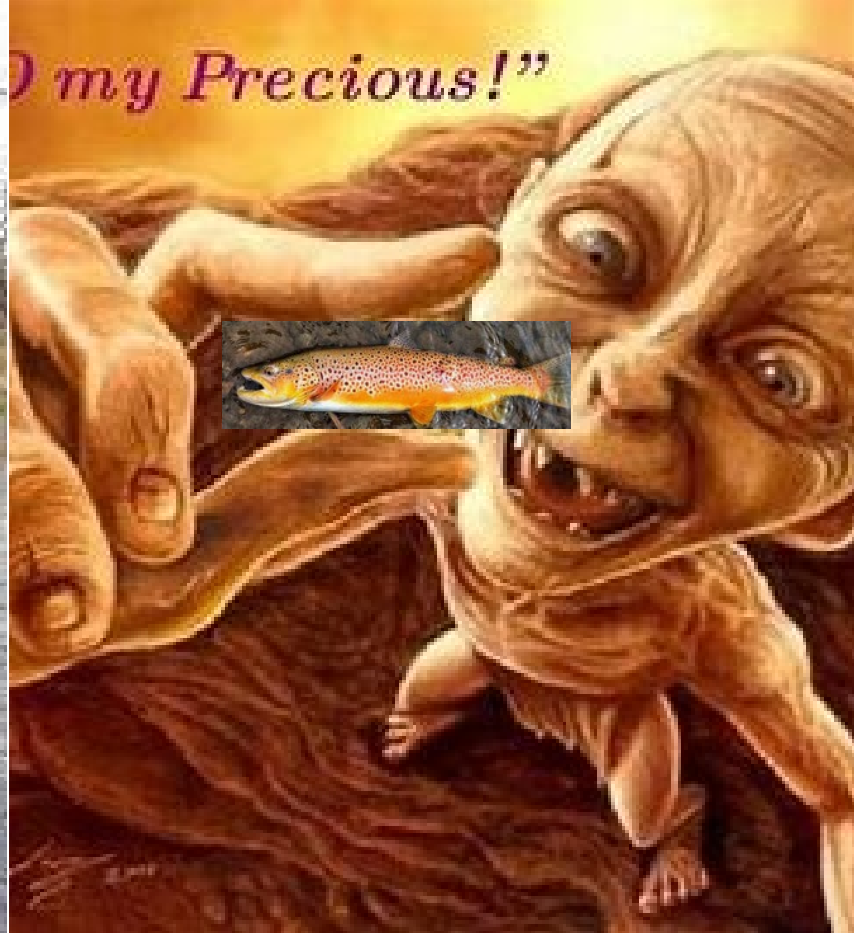
My family has enjoyed the harvest of fish and game to put food on the table

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The precious! (aka Brown trout)

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Rainbow Trout



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IPBES. Top 10 most
widespread invasive alien
fish species worldwide

Wild Hog



Peter's smoked, pulled wild boar



Ring-necked Pheasant



Seebens et al. 2023. IPBES

Top 10 most widespread invasive alien mammal species worldwide.

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invasive alien bird species
worldwide.



Conclusion: Peter is an invasivore!

How did this
come to be?

Taking a step
back in time...



- In 1609 Captain John Smith wrote “we had more sturgeon than could be devoured by dog and man.”

However,

- The following years saw more supply ships arriving from England, bringing **pigs, goats, and cattle**.
- **Colonists transplanted fruit trees** which Captain John Smith noted “prosper(ed) exceedingly.” Fruit like **apples and figs** could be distilled into hard cider and other alcoholic beverages, which was often safer to drink than the local water supply.

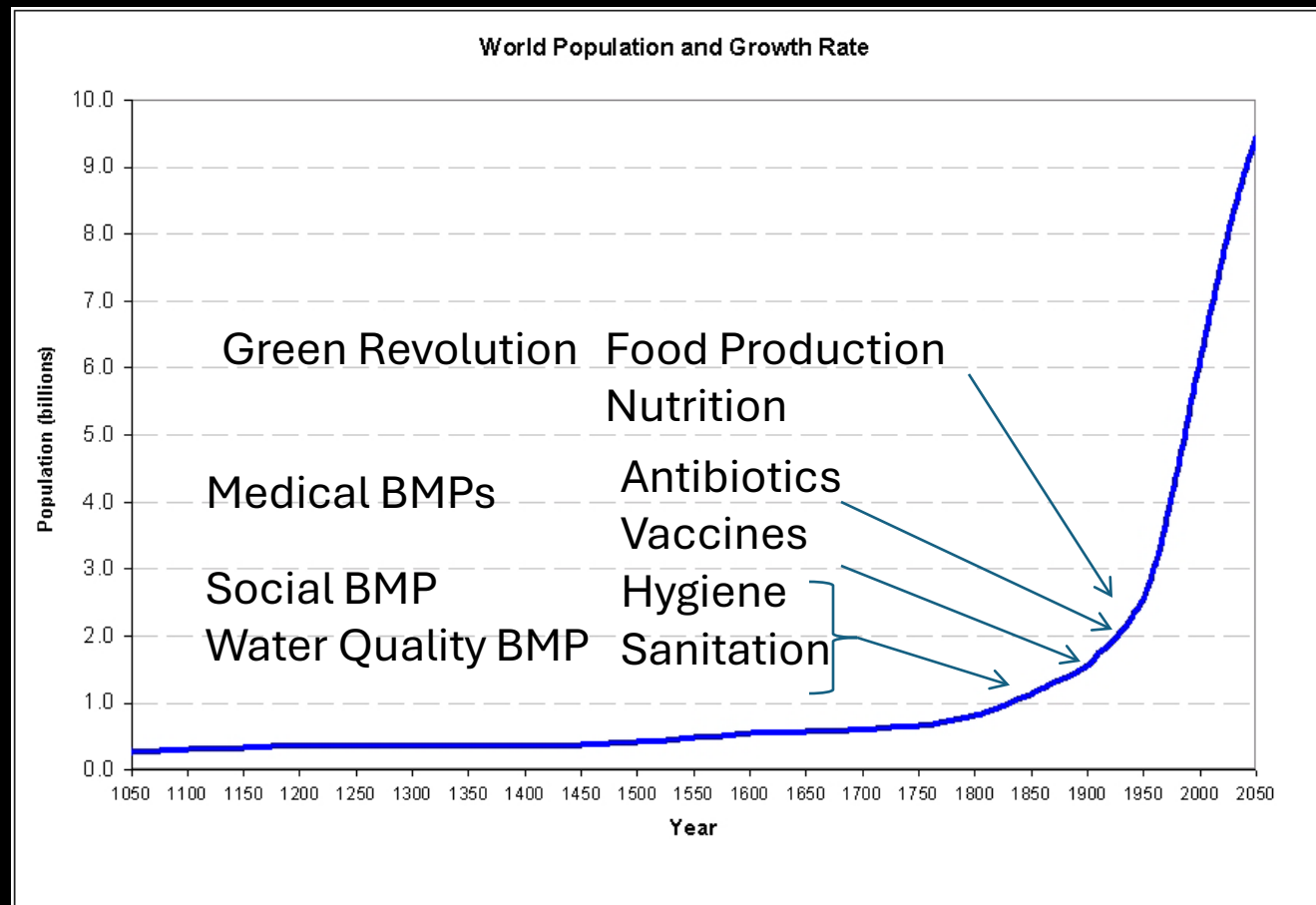
[Everyday Life in the Jamestown Colony | American Battlefield Trust \(battlefields.org\)](https://battlefields.org)





U.S.A: We were a growing, expanding, colonizing nation coincident with the industrial revolution

Population growth: Humans didn't suddenly learn to multiply like bunnies, we stopped dying like flies!



Industrial Revolution – major turning point in human history raising living standards for the masses.



1600s-1800s in the U.S.

Market hunting, eco-imperialism, lack of regulations, lack of enforcement of regulations, habitat alteration = overexploitation

Societal response to resource scarcity –

Substitution

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By 1885, the U.S. Fish Commission was actively stocking lakes and rivers throughout the country with common carp, and it is now prevalent throughout the entire United States¹.

The idea of sport fishing: Cultural biases of substitution still influence management focus today



- From art to religion to land use, much of what is deemed valuable in the United States was shaped centuries ago by the white male perspective
- European colonists heavily influenced what fishes were more valuable, often the species that looked more similar to what they're used to.
- So trout, bass and salmon got their value while many other native species got pushed to the wayside.

[Cultural biases impact native fish, too | ScienceDaily](#)



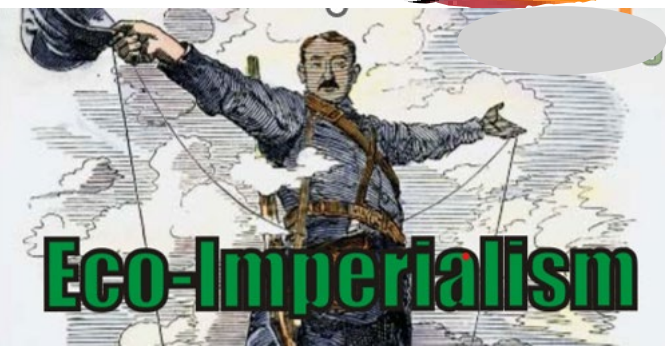
However, also 1800s
paradigm evolved –
*Native fish are the
enemy of game fish*

- 1800s Management Paradigm – native fish limit game fish species historically desired by Europeans. White, male Europeans.
- Native species are devalued, termed ‘rough fish’
 - E.g., Alligator gar – “a wolf among fish” – poisoned, dynamited, and electrocuted to greatly reduce its population.
 - Many native fish valued by indigenous people and people of color, devalued by colonists, were species of cultural and spiritual significance.

Ecological imperialism – a soft power play in politics

- Modern American society still strongly reflects the 400 years momentum of the contribution of European (and other) biological species introductions such as animals, plants and pathogens supporting the success of the early European colonists
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Conclusion: Peter is an
Eco-imperialistic invasivore!



Foreign example: Management motivations with Nile Perch introduction into, Lake Victoria, Africa



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Nile Perch

Top 100 most invasive species in the world

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Lake Victoria cichlids

80% to 1% of lake biomass

Lake Victoria and Nile Perch

Winners

Political ecology - Eco-Imperialism

- Capitalism – benefitting Europe
 - Europeans find Nile Perch a good replacement for limited cod stocks
 - EU is importing Nile Perch

Losers

Local cultural loss of indigenous traditional life style – haplochromine biomass down to 1% of historical (~80%) measures

Local terrestrial impact on regional woody habitat – soil erosion and desertification intensified

Estimate that ~40% of the >300 Lake Victoria haplochromines went extinct.

Degraded water quality, novel ecology



Africa's largest freshwater lake
Lake Victoria





Where Are



We Now?

Where are we now anyway?

200

The number of invasive species that may live in the Chesapeake Bay watershed

Partnership goals

The Chesapeake Bay Program is committed to reducing the number of invasive blue catfish in the Chesapeake Bay through its [Invasive Catfish Workgroup](#). The workgroup is responsible for coordinating the best available science and developing methods to evaluate the impacts of invasive catfish species on the Chesapeake Bay ecosystem.

[Track our work at ChesapeakeProgress.com](#) >

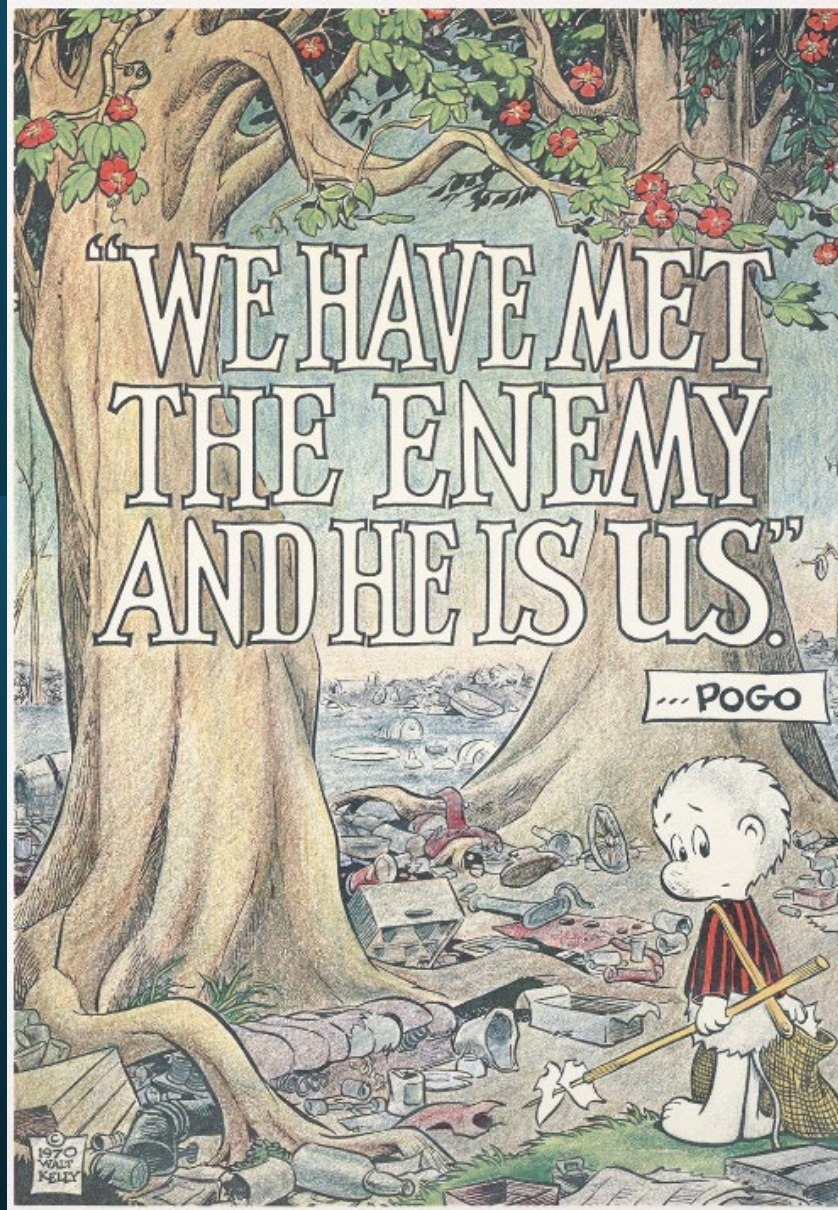


Essential Histories

The War of 1812

- During the War of 1812, the United States Navy defeated the British Navy in the Battle of Lake Erie.
- Master Commandant Oliver Perry wrote to Major General William Henry Harrison, “**We have met the enemy and they are ours.**”

1970 – An
appropos parody of
the 1812
statement that can
apply to our
management today



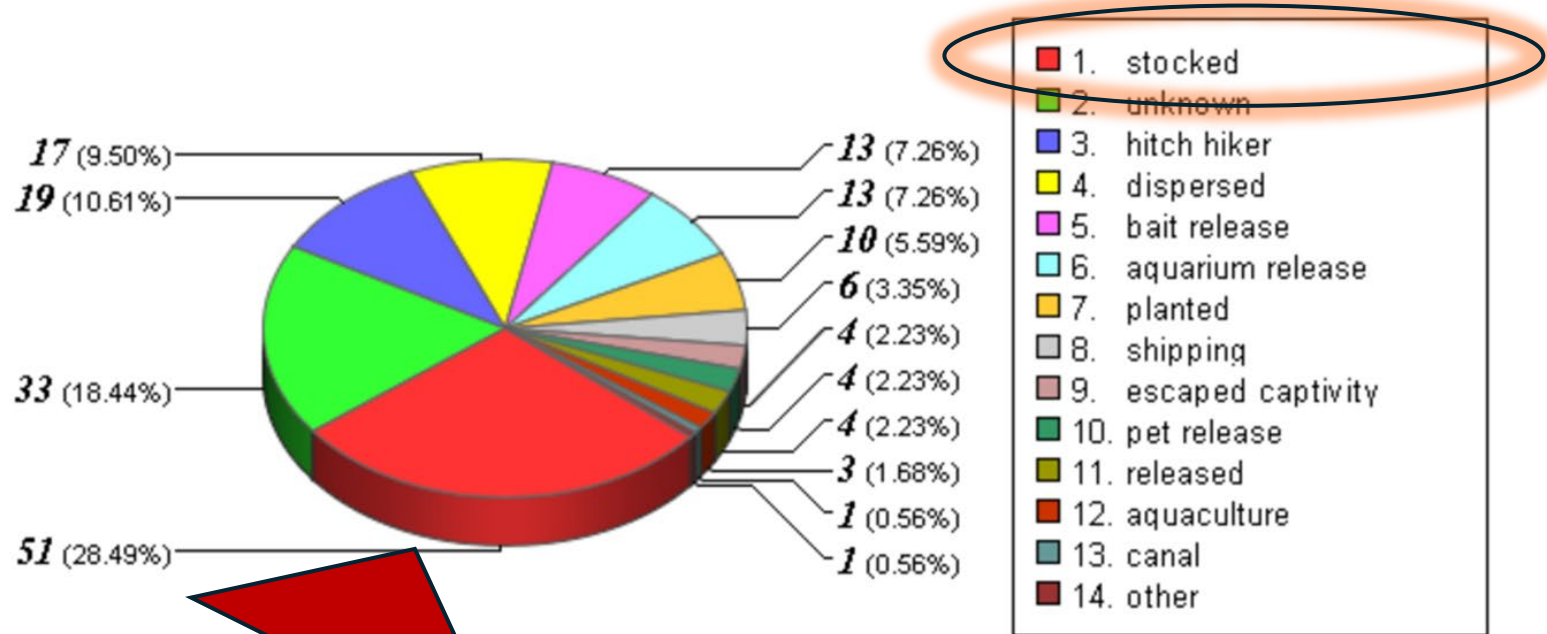
Walt Kelly
"We Have Met the Enemy..."
1970 reprint of 1970 poster
John Mendez Collection



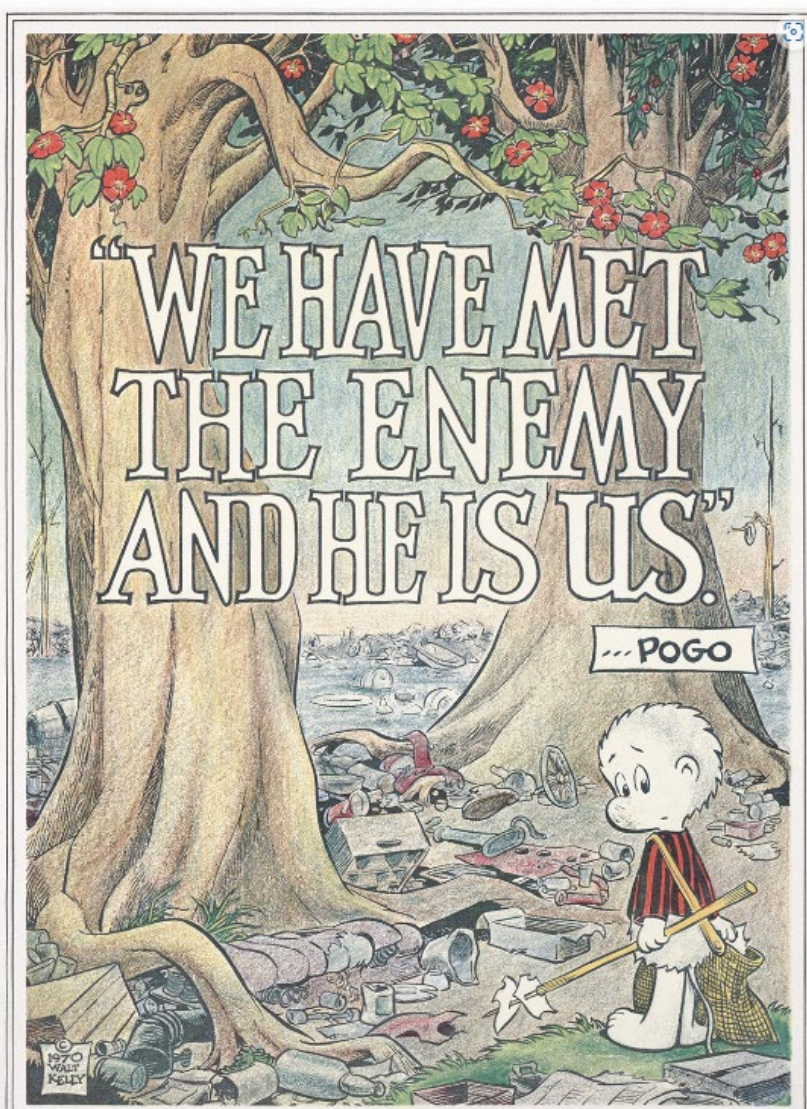
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Introduction Pathways for Maryland Nonindigenous aquatic species

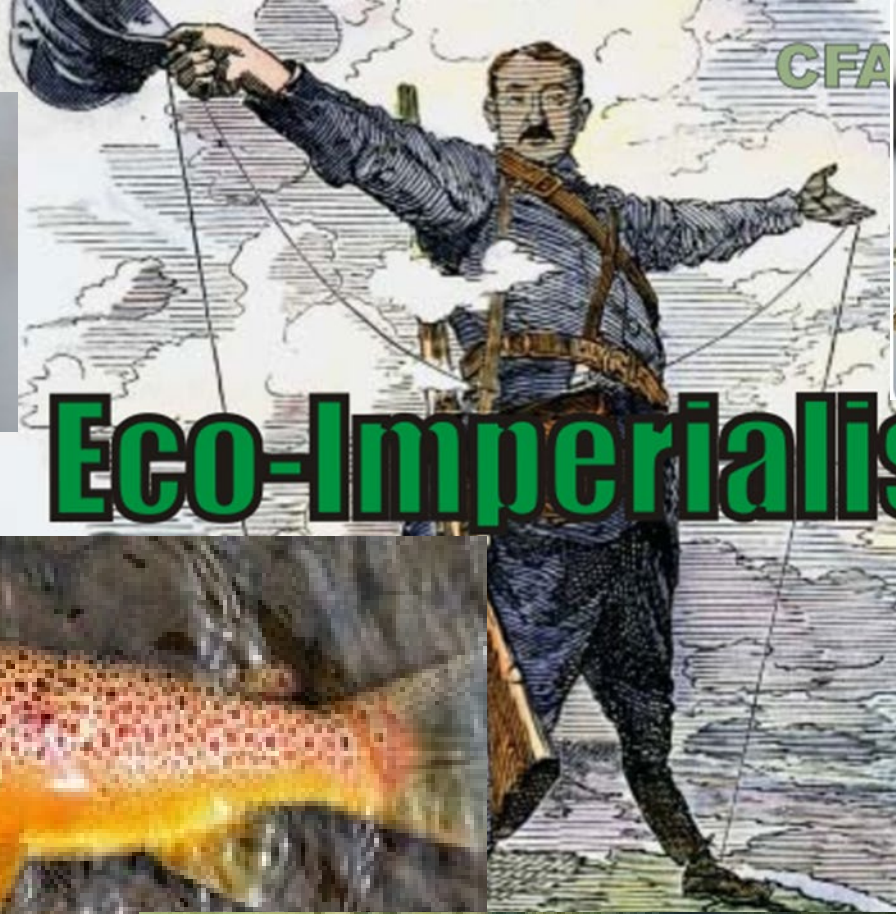


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Nonindigenous Aquatic Species (usgs.gov)

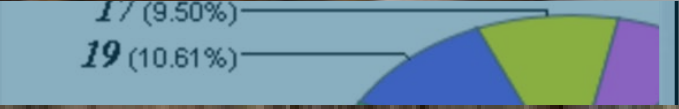
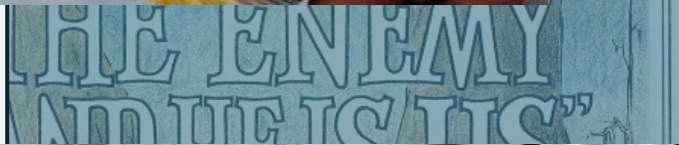


Stocking is the # 1 introduction pathway for nonindigenous aquatic species arrivals in MD, VA, WV, PA, and #2 in DC (only behind “unknown”.)

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Eco-Imperialism



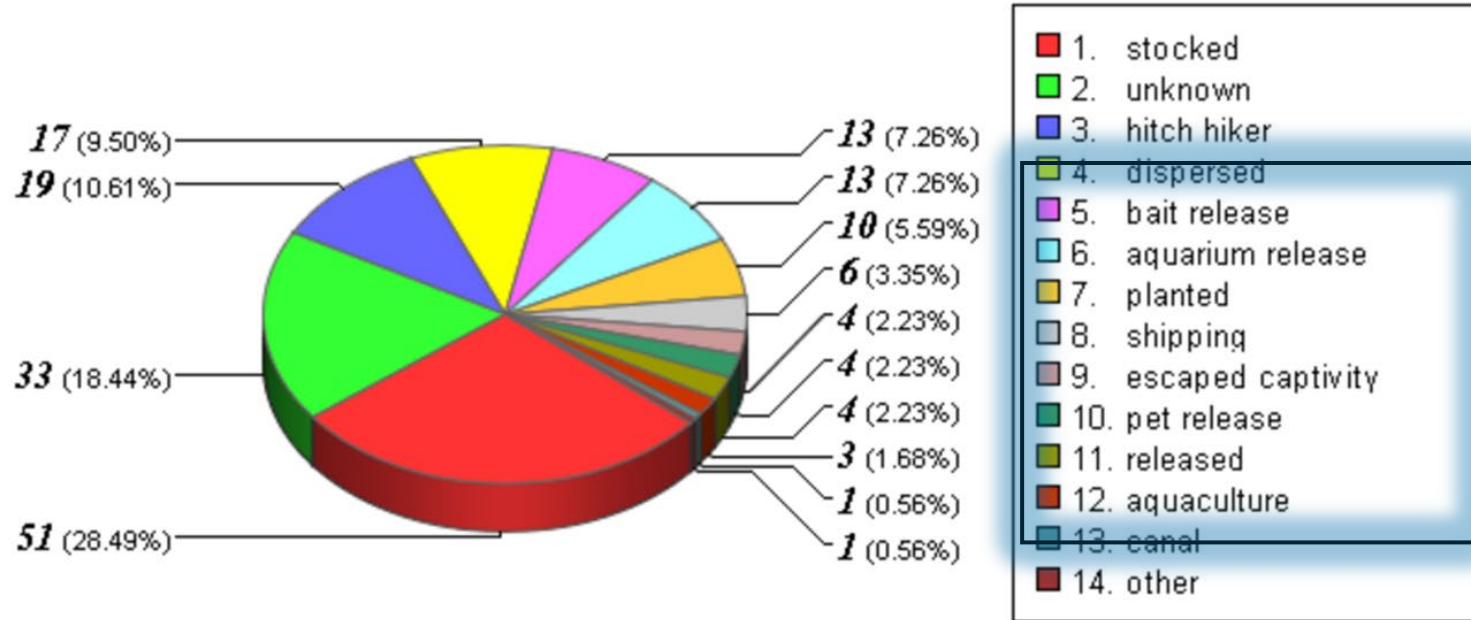
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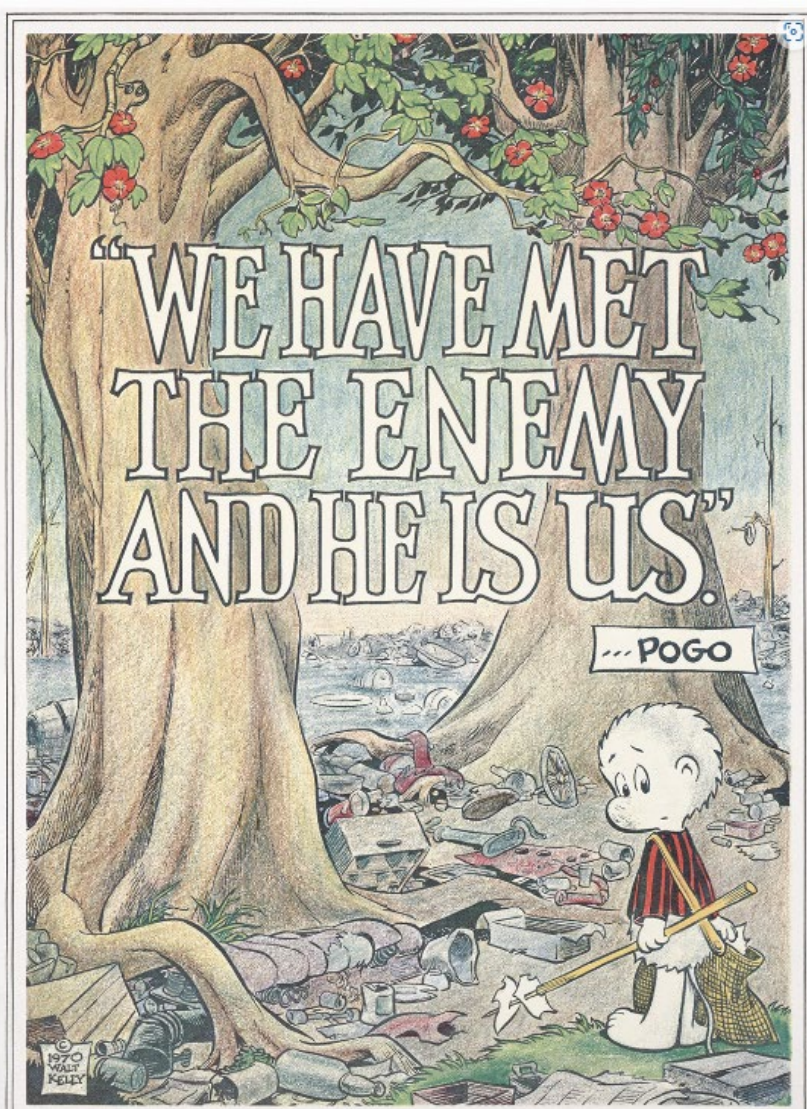


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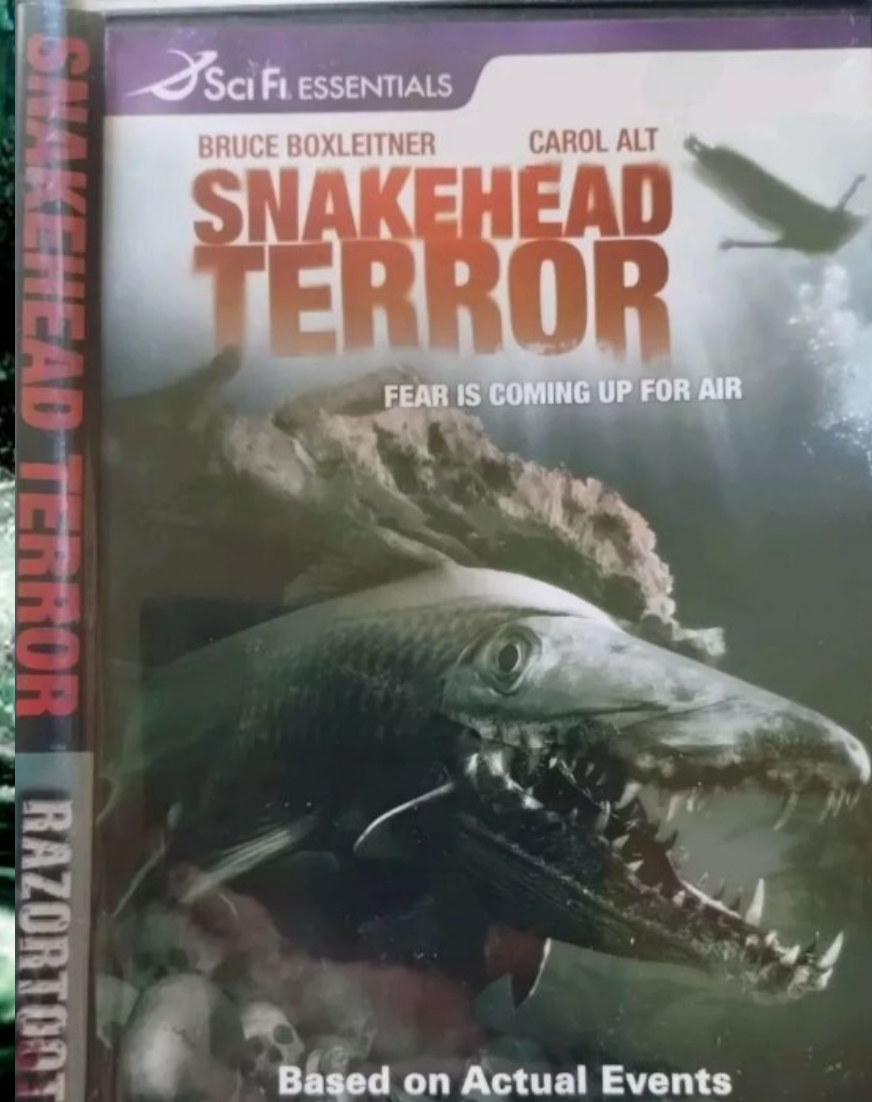
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Beyond stocking – can we work at the individual level on behavior change in society?



Can we run effective public awareness campaigns for the management of invasive species?



Who can forget these classics!
The “*Jaws*” of Chesapeake Bay!

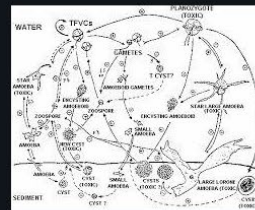
Sensationalism – awareness, benefits to conservation?

- Sensationalism is a common tactic used by media outlets to capture audience attention through exaggerated language, fear-mongering, and sometimes even misleading information

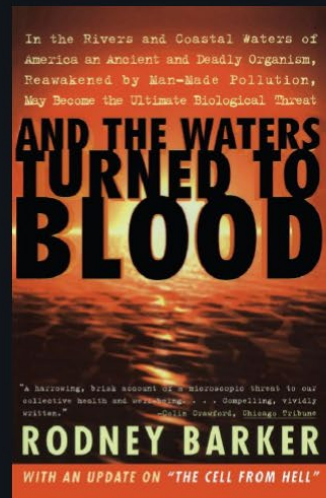
The height of hysteria!
(1997-2002)



Daily news headlines



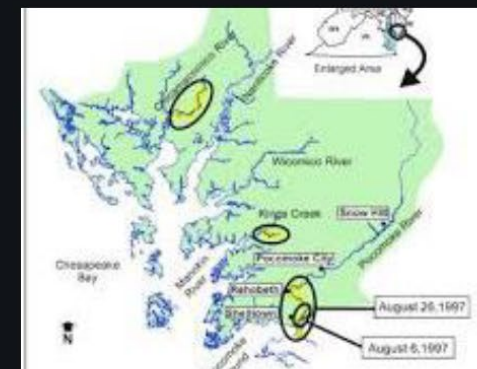
Science literature and debates



Popular literature



Compelling (bloody) fish photos



Weekly web updates and maps



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Summary

Invasive species can have disastrous effects on the ecosystems they invade, requiring costly, labour-intensive mitigation. Public awareness campaigns are often used as a tool to reduce these species' impacts. While heralded as useful and cost-effective, little evidence suggests that these campaigns contribute to meaningful biological outcomes. Furthermore, awareness campaigns are relatively understudied despite their usage as a common approach to mitigating invasive species. We conducted a literature review to assess publications that evaluated the efficacy of public awareness campaigns for managing invasive species. Out of 4382 papers initially extracted for analysis, we determined that 24 of them included studies conducted on awareness campaigns for invasive species. Four public awareness campaigns were deemed a 'success', and the other campaigns' success was indeterminable due to study design. Our study revealed that inconsistencies in defined end points, unclear procedures and variability of campaigns contribute to there being insufficient evidence to determine the efficacy of public awareness campaigns. To evaluate the true efficacy of public awareness campaigns, we recommend that organizations conducting such campaigns implement rigorous and standardized assessments (e.g., Before–After Control–Impact designs or Bayesian analyses) that include measures of not just changes in the knowledge and behaviour of target audiences, but also relevant biological outcomes.

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A little it seems...

Socioeconomics of release probability



Red-eared slider

- **Economic factors** influencing release probability –
 - **Market Abundance** – less-rare animals are more likely to be released.
 - **Market Price** – exotic animals traded at lower prices are at a higher risk for release.
 - **Time On Market** – the longer animals are being traded, the more releases occur.
 - Stringham and Lockwood, 2018. J Applied Ecol.
- **Although larger-bodied reptiles and amphibians are more likely to be released, other research suggests that smaller species are more likely to establish self-sustaining populations.**
 - However, despite import quantity strongly increasing release probability, this does not translate directly into higher probability of successful establishment.
 - Jasiunus, 2019. <https://faunalytics.org> Why people release their exotic companions

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- “The (Beyond 2025) Steering Committee also **recommends a greater focus on conducting social science research and applying its findings to ensure restoration and conservation efforts align with the well-being of people.**
 - **Social science** should be applied where it can have the greatest overall impact and applied strategically rather than opportunistically.
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A plug here for increased investment towards
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Where are we going?

Consider the past and
the future



Jemez Pueblo

Corn – sustenance

Rain clouds – plentiful crops



Eagle feathers – strength,
trust, bravery, honor,
connection between
physical and spiritual
worlds



Jemez Pueblo

Wind, whirlwind –
journey,
closing of one door and
opening of new doors,
adaptation to change



We are
managing an
emergent,
novel
ecology

CLIMATE CHANGE

Stationarity Is Dead: Whither Water Management?

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Systems for management of water throughout the developed world have been designed and operated under the assumption of stationarity. Stationarity—the idea that natural systems fluctuate within an unchanging envelope of variability—is a foundational concept that permeates training and practice in water-resource engineering. It implies that any variable (e.g., annual streamflow or annual flood peak) has a time-invariant (or 1-year-periodic) probability density function (pdf), whose properties can be estimated from the instrument record. Under stationarity, pdf estimation errors are acknowledged, but have been assumed to be reducible by additional observations, more efficient estimators, or regional or paleohydrologic data. The pdfs, in turn, are used to evaluate and manage risks to water supplies, waterworks, and floodplains; annual global investment in water infrastructure exceeds U.S.\$500 billion (1).



An uncertain future challenges water planners.

In view of the magnitude and ubiquity of the hydroclimatic change apparently now

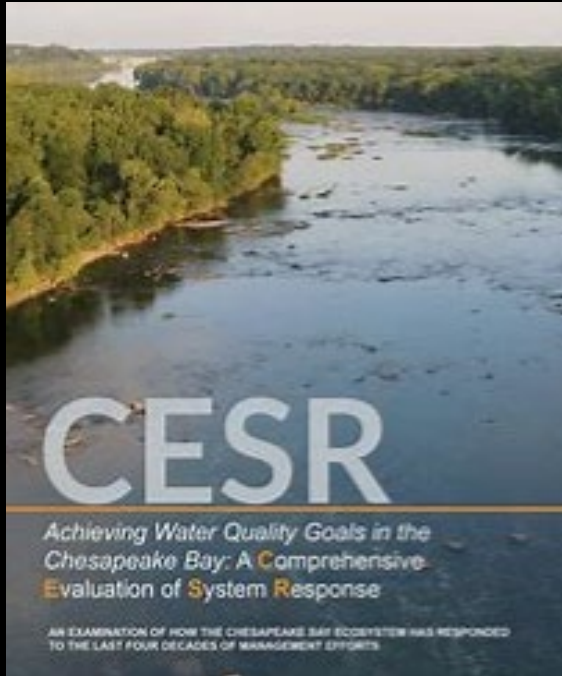
Climate change undermines a basic assumption that historically has facilitated management of water supplies, demands, and risks.

that has emerged from climate models (see figure, p. 574).

Why now? That anthropogenic climate change affects the water cycle (9) and water supply (10) is not a new finding. Nevertheless, sensible objections to discarding stationarity have been raised. For a time, hydroclimate had not demonstrably exited the envelope of natural variability and/or the effective range of optimally operated infrastructure (11, 12). Accounting for the substantial uncertainties of climatic parameters estimated from short records (13) effectively hedged against small climate changes. Additionally, climate projections were not considered credible (12, 14).

Recent developments have led us to the opinion that the time has come to move beyond the wait-and-see approach. Projections of runoff changes are bolstered by the recently demonstrated retrodictive skill of climate models. The global pattern of observed annual streamflow trends is unlikely to have

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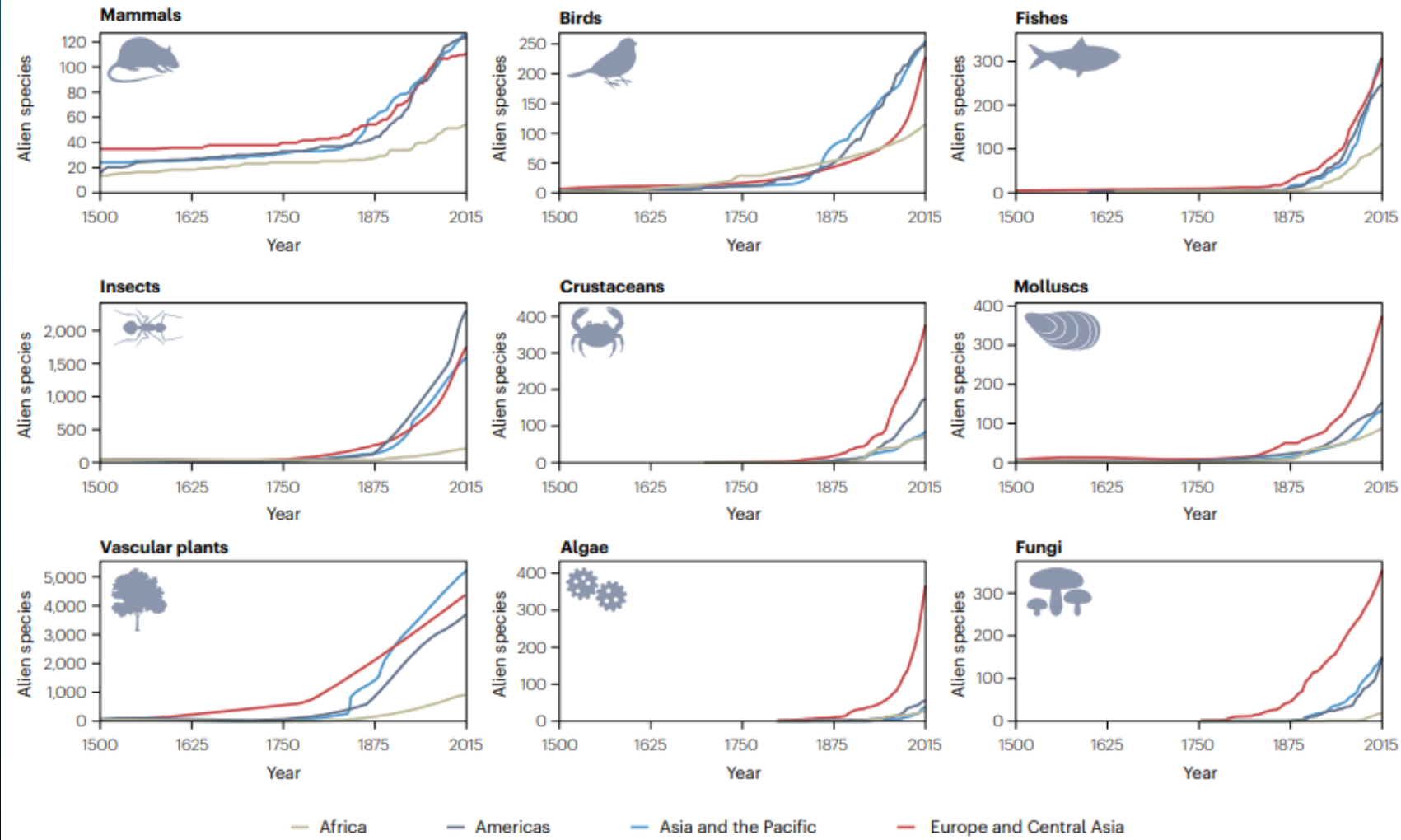


- “Meanwhile, the Bay and its watershed are changing in ways that make the future difficult to predict because historical precedent cannot guide us.”
- In other words: The Bay of the past is not the Bay of the future



Globally, regionally - trajectories of alien species (Y-axis) across time (X-axis) additions across all taxonomic groups are rising.

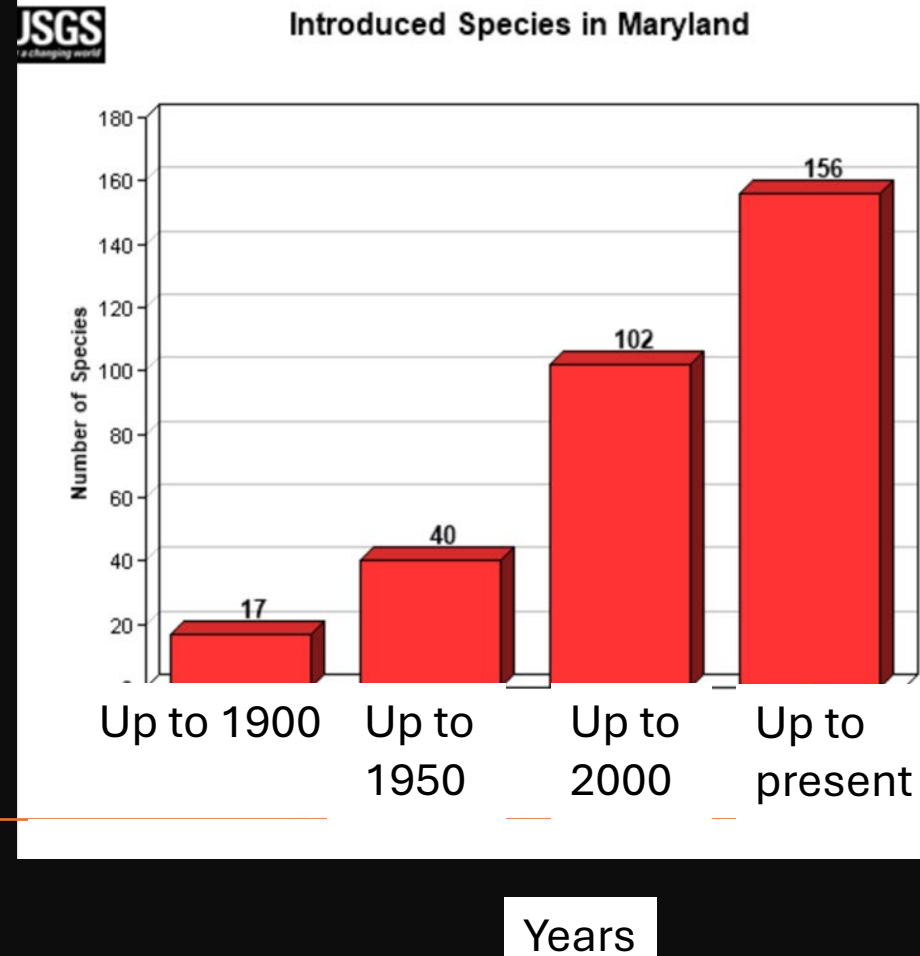
Rates of change also rising



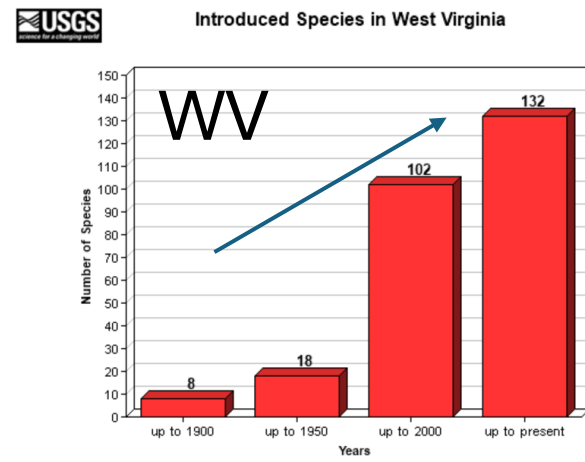
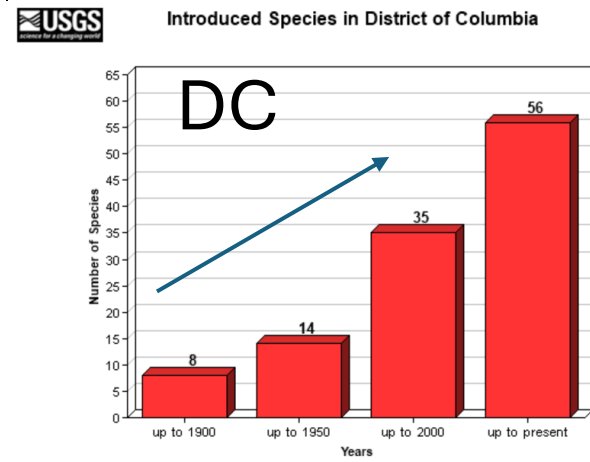
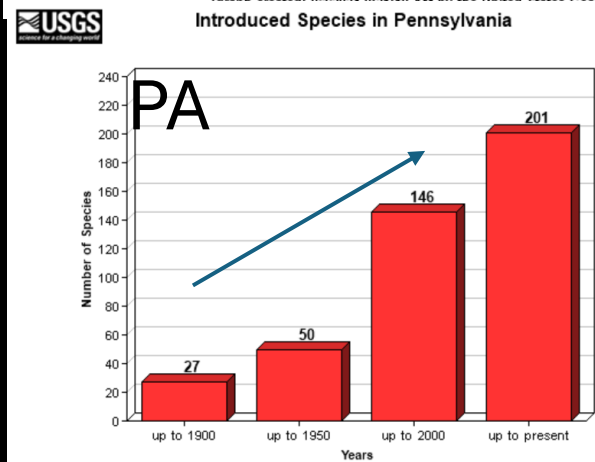
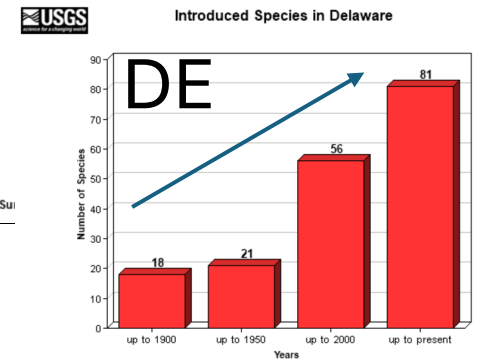
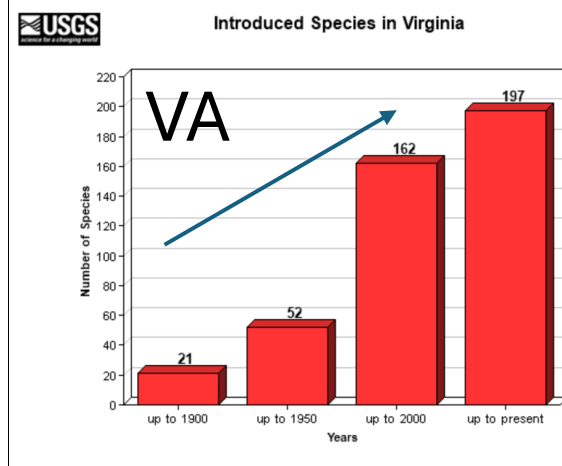
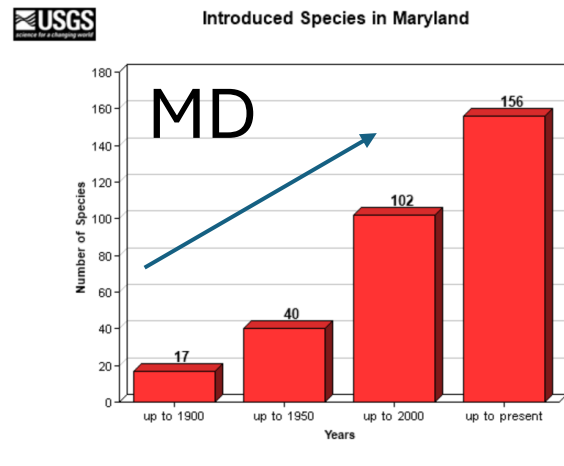
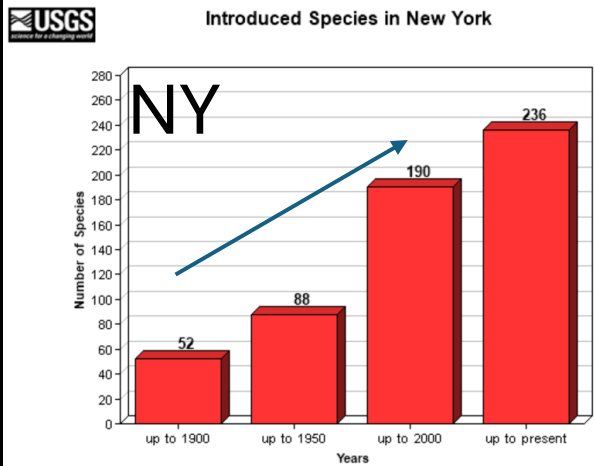
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<https://nas.er.usgs.gov/graphs/State.aspx>

graph shows the cumulative number of species that have been introduced up until the last year



The future: The rise of the nonnatives. A system of novel, emergent ecology continues



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Going out on a limb here... as the Bay goes, as our States go, as the globe goes, so will the Potomac go as we will be managing a novel, emergent ecology with new species entering the ecosystem for the foreseeable future



Not really going out on a limb – the continued story of change is in the data

- “Non-native and invasive fish have become more abundant across streams, with **ten species—including flathead catfish and Chesapeake Channa, or northern snakehead—collected during this round that hadn’t been observed 14 or 20 years earlier.**”
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Maryland Biological Stream Survey Round Four Results Investigating Potential Changes Over Time in Stream Conditions



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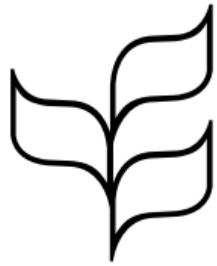
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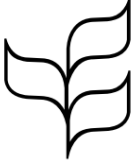
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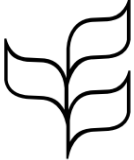
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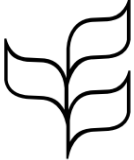
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Political history – U.S requires a 2/3 vote in the Senate to ratify joining such treaties.

On the grounds of congressional concerns over international treaties impacting U.S. sovereignty over its resources, and, in spite of the Biden administration support for biodiversity protections most recently, the Senate was not in favor of approving U.S. signing of the framework in 2022.

We can borrow from global targets, vision, and principles to apply to our local and regional adaptive management frameworks on managing

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- On average, IPLs (Indigenous People's Lands) host **30% fewer alien species relative to other lands**, after controlling for sampling intensities.
- “The difference may result from land management practices of Indigenous peoples.”

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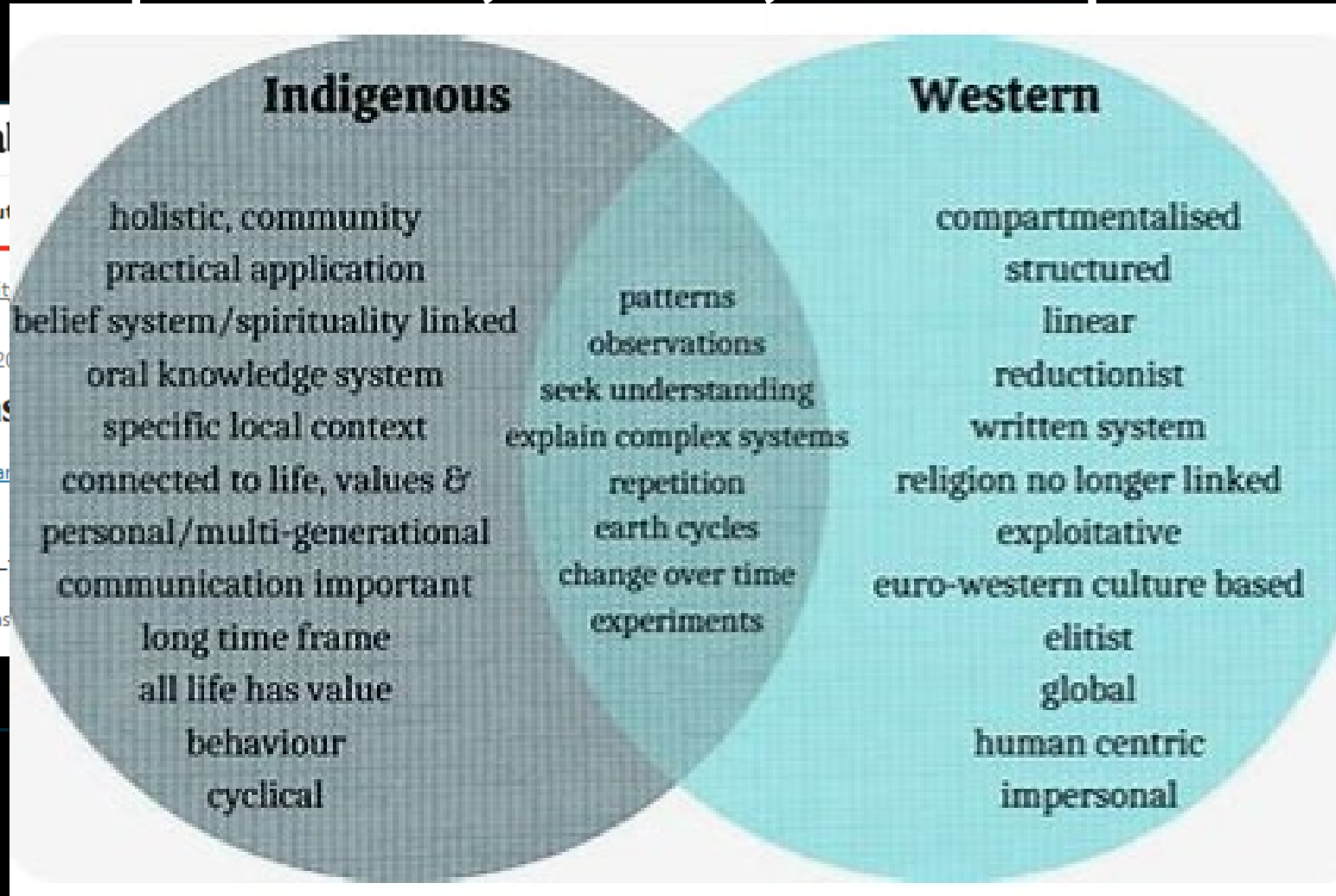
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Social Science considerations – balancing public demand, interests, and philosophies



“To me, it's the best fish that ever hit the United States,” Sielicki says. “I hope it winds up going in every body of water so everybody can enjoy it.”

Fredericksburg, VA

Lessons from the Amazon



Arapaima (Paiche)

- It is preferable to preserve native species
- But it is imprudent to ignore the economic potential a species might bring to a region

Summary

- **Ecologically:** Gain experience and understanding dealing with an emergent, novel ecology in the Potomac River, the Bay and its watershed
 - Enhanced security to limit invasions
 - Support greater research and management of native species
- **Social science and education:** Opportunities for applied research understanding to influence behavior change
 - Literacy & Stewardship – Pets, ownership, and responsibility
 - Indigenous knowledge, practice, cultural and spiritual significance blending with Western knowledge and practice to improve resource management options and outcomes
 - Marketing mainstreaming of snakehead, blue cats – Can we eat our way out of a situation?



Summary

- **Politically:** Can we rethink the management of eco-imperialistic species substitutions with native species management.
 - Can we effectively engage in blending global momentum and vision to reduce invasives at the local and regional scale.
- **Economically:** Imprudence to ignore the economic potential a species bring to a region
 - Beware of unintended consequences



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