

# NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

## Arizona Invasive Species Advisory Council

Tuesday, February 5, 2008

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Notice is hereby given to Members of the Arizona Invasive Species Advisory Council (Council) and the general public, that the Council will hold a meeting, open to the public, on Tuesday, February 5, 2008 at 1:00 pm. pursuant to Executive Order 2007-07 at the **Arizona Game and Fish Department, Roadrunner Room, 5000 W. Carefree Hwy, Phoenix, AZ 85086**. Public Comment will be taken; the order of the agenda may be changed to accommodate public comment. The Council will discuss and may vote to take action on the following matters:

**Meeting begins at 1:00 p.m.**

- 1. Roll Call of Arizona Invasive Species Advisory Council (Council) members and sign-in.**
- 2. Welcome & Introductions.**
- 3. Approval of Minutes.** The Council will be asked to approve the minutes from January 8, 2007.
- 4. Strategies for meeting invasive species information management needs.** Representatives from the Government Information and Technology Agency (GITA) will report to the Council and give an update on progress made by the information management task team created at the December 4, 2007 Council meeting. There will be a presentation demonstrating the functions of the proposed database server "imapinvasives.org" *Presenter: Sherri Eshkibok*
- 5. Update of co-chair meeting with Lori Faeth, Policy Adviser for Natural Resources, Agriculture and Environment.** An update of the meeting that was held on January 29, 2008 with Lori Faeth and the co-chairs of AISAC will be presented. The meeting was held to update Lori Faeth on the progress of this council and to retrieve feedback on the proposed recommendations that are scheduled to be voted on. *Presenters: Co-chair*
- 6. Work group co-lead meeting update.** Leadership and Coordination, Research and Information Management, Anticipation and Outreach, and Control and Management work group co-leads will report to the Council on outcomes from the January 25, 2008 meeting. The goal of the meeting was to review draft management plan recommendations, identify and address areas of overlap or redundancy and attempt to streamline the recommendations. Co-leads also discussed and developed a process for prioritizing recommendations for each strategic component, and will give an overview of the proposed process. The Council may vote to accept the proposed process for prioritizing management plan recommendations. The Council will discuss convening work groups to prioritize (using the prioritization process) approved management plan recommendations following approval (see Agenda Item 6). *Presenters: Brian McGrew/Doug Witte (Leadership & Coordination), Chantal O'Brien/Kai Umeda (Research & Information Management, Ty Gray/Kai Umeda (Anticipation & Outreach); John Brock/Joanne Roberts (Control & Management);*

- 7. Council approval of draft management plan recommendations.** Council members will discuss draft management plan recommendations developed by work groups to address the five strategic concepts identified in Governor's Executive Order 2007-07. Council members may vote to accept the draft recommendations.
- 8. Review progress on statewide invasive species management plan development to date.** A draft management plan outline and approach for developing recommendations was presented in August 2007. At the January 8, 2008 Council meeting steps towards developing ancillary components of the invasive species management plan were discussed and assigned. Progress updates will be provided on development of case studies and authority statements, and contracting professional editor / layout / publication services. Council members will be asked to volunteer to compile a brief review of gaps in protection. *Presenter: Marianne Meding / Brian McGrew*
- 9. Discuss and develop public meeting schedule and format for soliciting public comment on invasive species management plan.** The Council will discuss public meeting timelines, locations, and meeting approaches and content. The Council may vote to accept the proposed public meeting schedule and format. *Presenters: Brian McGrew / Marianne Meding*
- 10. Progress update on enumerating current statewide efforts that are focused on addressing invasive species issues in Arizona.** The Council identified the need to be able to quantify resource expenditures towards addressing invasive species issues in Arizona, and as such decided to review survey results compiled from the former Arizona Invasive Species Advisory Council. The Council also decided to track member time and travel associated with Council and work group meetings and tasks. *Presenters: Chris Trask, Doug Witte, Marianne Meding*
- 11. Invasive species memorandum of understanding (MOU) among State Agencies, Federal Agencies and stakeholders.** A progress report on the development of a statewide invasive species MOU will be given. *Presenters: Marianne Meding*
- 12. Review and approval of talking points developed for the National Invasive Weed Awareness Week.** Council Member John Brock will provide an overview of talking points intended to inform and educate federal legislators on Arizona's invasive species issues and needs. The Council may discuss and vote to approve the proposed talking points. *Presenter: John Brock*
- 13. Call to the Public.** Those persons wishing to speak should complete a speaker's card and present it to the facilitator. Comments will be limited to no more than three minutes. No discussion or action will be taken by the Council. Any items requiring further discussion of action will be included on a future Council meeting agenda.
- 14. Future agenda items.**

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*The agenda may be revised and additional items may be added prior to the meeting as authorized by A.R.S. §38-431.02. In that event, an addendum to the agenda will be noticed and posted prior to the meeting at the Arizona Department of Administration. Agenda items not noticed for a specific time may be taken out of order.*

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*The Council may go into executive Session for the purpose of obtaining legal advice from the Attorney General's Office on any of the above agenda items pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(3).*

*One or more members of the Council may appear and participate in the meeting telephonically or by other electronic means.*

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