

Experts Database

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ANS Task Force Experts Directory

This database was designed to direct users to invasive species experts. It has been set up as a 2-tier system with the first tier accessible to the public. The public portion of the database will guide you to a state contact who acts as a first point of contact for information and identifications. If they can't answer your question, these state contacts have the ability to refer you to the second tier experts.

Search the Invasive Species Experts Database:

Choose a state or province where the specimen was found:

State/Province:

If you have any questions regarding the Experts database or would like to be added as an expert, please contact Gina A. Jones at gina_a_jones@fws.gov

Other Resources for Taxonomic Experts

- [TRED](#) (Taxonomic Resources and Expertise Directory)
- [DAISIE](#) (European Alien Invasive Species Expertise Registry)
- NOAA's Taxonomic Cadre



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Current version

- <https://www.fws.gov/anstaskforce/experts/>
- Only search by state or province
- Focused on AIS and taxonomic expertise

Experts Database 2.0

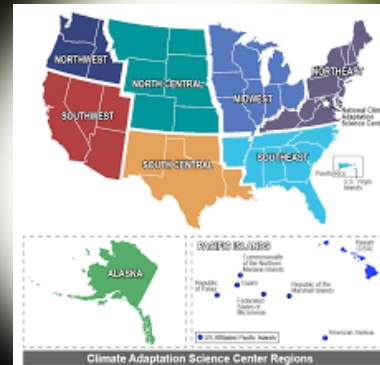
- More searchable
 - State/ province
 - Expertise
 - Agency, University, NGO
 - More?
- Expanded expertise
 - Taxonomic
 - AIS
 - Research
 - eDNA
 - Control
 - Economic
 - Social science
 - Climate change
 - More?

How will we keep it up to date?

- The ANSTF EDRR subcommittee will make an annual reoccurring work element to update the Experts Database.
- EDRR chair will ask for updated regional panel lists and interest by panel members in being apart of Experts Database
 - Panel coordinators will only be asked to provide the updated list and forward a request email.
- Create a listserv of all experts and send out an auto-generated email annually in January for them to reply to continue to be in the database. A 2nd courtesy email will be sent to people that do not reply. If an expert does not reply at all, they will be removed from the database.

How will we get new experts?

- We will need to recruit
- Ask interested persons to help
- Ask on listservs, professional societies, regional groups, etc.



USGS RISC groups





Promotion

- The Experts Database will need to be promoted to be used.
- Links to it from:
 - USGS NAS Database
 - USDA NISIC
 - New EDRR Information System

 **National Invasive Species Information Center**
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

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The gateway to invasive species information; covering federal, state, local, and international sources.

Invasive species are plants, animals, or pathogens that are non-native (or alien) to the ecosystem under consideration, and whose introduction causes or is likely to cause harm. Learn what determines if a [species is invasive](#).