

2024 Current Fiscal Year Report: Invasive Species Advisory Committee

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1. Department or Agency

Department of the Interior

2. Fiscal Year

2024

3. Committee or Subcommittee

Invasive Species Advisory
Committee

3b. GSA Committee No.

5314

4. Is this New During Fiscal Year? 5. Current Charter 6. Expected Renewal Date 7. Expected Term Date

No 01/11/2024 01/11/2026

8a. Was Terminated During Fiscal Year?

No

8b. Specific Termination Authority

8c. Actual Term Date

9. Agency Recommendation for Next Fiscal Year

Continue

10a. Legislation Req to Terminate?

Not Applicable

10b. Legislation Pending?

Not Applicable

11. Establishment Authority Presidential

12. Specific Establishment Authority

Executive Order 13112, as
amended by Executive Order
13751 and reestablished by
E.O. 14048

13. Effective Date

02/03/1999 Continuing No

14. Committee Type

14c. Presidential?

15. Description of Committee National Policy Issue Advisory Board

16a. Total Number of Reports 3

16b. Report Date Report Title

Invasive Species Threaten the
11/14/2023 Success of Climate Change
Adaptation Efforts

National Priorities of the Invasive
11/14/2023 Species Advisory Committee,
2022-2024

11/14/2023 Underserved Communities and
Invasive Species

Number of Committee Reports Listed: 3

17a. 0 **17b. Closed** 0 **17c. Partially Closed** 0 **Other Activities** 0 **17d. Total** 0
Open

Meetings and Dates

No Meetings

	Current FY	Next FY
18a(1). Personnel Pmts to Non-Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(2). Personnel Pmts to Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(3). Personnel Pmts to Federal Staff	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(4). Personnel Pmts to Non-Member Consultants	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(1). Travel and Per Diem to Non-Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(2). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(3). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Staff	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(4). Travel and Per Diem to Non-member Consultants	\$0.00	\$0.00
18c. Other(rents,user charges, graphics, printing, mail, etc.)	\$0.00	\$0.00
18d. Total	\$0.00	\$0.00
19. Federal Staff Support Years (FTE)	0.00	0.00

**20a. How does the Committee accomplish its
purpose?**

Invasive Species Advisory Committee (ISAC) has

at least one in person meeting per year with additional consideration for virtual meetings. In addition, members communicate frequently by e-mail, fax, and phone with other ISAC members and additional experts and stakeholders to formulate and provide advice to the National Invasive Species Council (Council) on matters pertaining to invasive species policy and resources.

20b. How does the Committee balance its membership?

Membership is balanced among geographical, professional, regional, and subject discipline expertise, as well as other factors. Members are knowledgeable on invasive species issues in a broad range of communities of interest e.g., aquaculture, plant industries, weed science, fisheries science, rangeland management, forest science, plant and animal pathology, invasion biology, conservation biology, agriculture, ecosystem ecology, international trade, and laws and regulations relevant to invasive species policy. Membership includes: individuals from private industry, conservation organizations, academia, and state and tribal governments.

20c. How frequent and relevant are the Committee Meetings?

At least one meeting is held each year. Most meetings are held within the Washington DC commuting area. However, some meetings may be held virtually or outside the Washington DC commuting area to facilitate broader public input and understanding of regional issues and concerns. Meetings are the primary means for members to exchange information, discuss policy issues with senior officials, to complete the review and formulation of advice, and to share that advice

with the National Invasive Species Council.

20d. Why can't the advice or information this committee provides be obtained elsewhere?

This Committee provides advice from a broad range of stakeholders and subject discipline experts to the senior-most officials of 12 Executive Branch Departments/Agencies and four Executive Offices of the President. The extensive depth and range of expertise represented by the membership of the Invasive Species Advisory Committee is not available from any other single source.

20e. Why is it necessary to close and/or partially closed committee meetings?

To date, no meetings have been closed, and a public comment period is provided within the agenda of each meeting.

21. Remarks

The Committee was reestablished through Executive Order 14048 on September 30, 2021.

Designated Federal Officer

Stanley Burgiel Executive Director of the National Invasive Species Council

Committee Members	Start	End	Occupation	Member Designation
Angeli, Nicole	06/15/2023	06/14/2025	U.S. Virgin Islands Department of Planning	Ex Officio Member
Barger, Charles	12/23/2022	12/23/2024	University of Georgia	Representative Member
Brewington, Laura	12/23/2022	12/23/2024	Arizona State University	Representative Member
Brown, Elizabeth	12/23/2022	12/23/2024	North American Invasive Species Mgmt. Assoc.	Ex Officio Member
Elwell, Leah	12/23/2022	12/23/2024	Invasive Species Action Network	Representative Member
Franklin, Slade	12/23/2022	12/23/2024	Wyoming Dept. of Agriculture	Representative Member
Greenwood, Leigh	12/23/2022	12/23/2024	The Nature Conservancy	Representative Member

Hicks, Jack	12/23/2022	12/23/2024	Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma	Representative Member
Hulcr, Jiri	12/23/2022	12/23/2024	University of Florida	Representative Member
James, Laurel	12/23/2022	10/03/2023	Native American Fish and Wildlife Society	Ex Officio Member
Long, Steven	12/23/2022	12/23/2024	National Plant Board	Ex Officio Member
Martin, Christy	12/23/2022	12/23/2024	University of Hawai'i	Representative Member
Pegos, David	12/23/2022	12/23/2024	California Dept. of Agriculture	Representative Member
Reed, Mitzi	10/03/2023	10/03/2025	Invasive Species Coordinator	Ex Officio Member
Rodgers, LeRoy	12/23/2022	12/23/2024	South Florida Water Mgmt District	Representative Member
Seebacher, Lizbeth	12/23/2022	12/23/2024	Pacific NW Invasive Plant Council-University of Washington	Representative Member
Simshauser, William	12/23/2022	12/23/2024	National Assoc. of Conservation Districts	Ex Officio Member
Zajicek, Paul	12/23/2022	12/23/2024	National Aquaculture Association	Representative Member

Number of Committee Members Listed: 18

Narrative Description

Effective September 30, 2021, the Invasive Species Advisory Committee was reauthorized in accordance with Executive Order 14048, after being administratively deactivated on May 3, 2019. The committee was re-established on January 11, 2022. The 17 members (including 5 ex officio) were appointed by the Secretary of the Interior on December 23, 2022 . In FY 2023, the committee held two (2) virtual meetings on March 6-8, 2023, and August 15, 2023. Committee costs for FY 2023 are comprised of federal staff support for planning, coordination and administrative tasks required to facilitate not only the full committee meetings, but also the intercessional work of three (3) subcommittees to produce deliverables which provide advice as requested by the NISC.

What are the most significant program outcomes associated with this committee?

Checked if
Applies

Improvements to health or safety	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Trust in government	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Major policy changes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Advance in scientific research	<input type="checkbox"/>
Effective grant making	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Improved service delivery	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Increased customer satisfaction	<input type="checkbox"/>
Implementation of laws or regulatory requirements	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Outcome Comments

ISAC helps NISC fulfill its duties as the interdepartmental body charged with providing federal leadership on invasive species from a whole of government perspective. In particular, ISAC provides advice on high-level policy and program issues relevant to invasive species.

What are the cost savings associated with this committee?

Checked if Applies

None	<input type="checkbox"/>
Unable to Determine	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Under \$100,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$100,000 - \$500,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$500,001 - \$1,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$5,000,001 - \$10,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
Over \$10,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cost Savings Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Cost Savings Comments

The over 30 federal agencies and bureaus that are overseen by the members of NISC spend over \$3 billion annually on invasive species. Because this committee operates at a broad level and provides advice to a wide range of federal action, science, and natural resource management agencies it is not possible to identify specific areas of cost savings. For additional invasive species budget information please visit the NISC website, <https://www.doi.gov/invasivespecies>.

What is the approximate Number of recommendations produced by this committee for the life of the committee?

231

Number of Recommendations Comments

Over the course of FY2023, ISAC has been working on three (3) reports to fulfill the request of NISC for advice in the areas of: 1) the Intersection of Climate Change and Invasive Species; 2) the Impacts of Invasive Species on Underserved Communities; and, 3) an Assessment of National Priorities related to Invasive Species. Once completed, each of these reports will include a series of recommendations, which will be added to the total number of recommendations above.

What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Fully implemented by the agency?

56%

% of Recommendations Fully Implemented Comments

NISC staff estimates that at least 55% of ISAC Recommendations have been fully implemented. Challenges to further implementation have included limits in funding and staff capacity, the lack of clarity on the advice provided, and the inability to garner substantial support from multi-federal agencies and/or non-federal partners in a timely manner. Note: Implementation is tracked at the overall Departmental/Agency level since this is the level of NISC membership.

What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Partially implemented by the agency?

27%

% of Recommendations Partially Implemented Comments

Implementation of most ISAC recommendations requires on-going inter-departmental efforts among NISC members, and often involves non-federal partners. Few recommendations call for discrete actions or reporting on implementation.

Does the agency provide the committee with feedback regarding actions taken to implement recommendations or advice offered?

Yes ☒ No ☐ Not Applicable ☐

Agency Feedback Comments

Agencies have the opportunity to provide feedback to ISAC at their regular meetings and in written reports. Agencies are encouraged to respond to all ISAC recommendations that specifically concern their programs and/or actions. Agencies are also invited to request additional information or clarification from ISAC concerning their recommendations before responding to ISAC or NISC.

What other actions has the agency taken as a result of the committee's advice or recommendation?

Checked if Applies

Reorganized Priorities	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Reallocated resources	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Issued new regulation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Proposed legislation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Approved grants or other payments	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Action Comments

ISAC exists to support NISC in achieving its duties. Numerous white papers and associated recommendations have been provided to NISC since its establishment in 1999. These papers are available on NISC's website, <https://www.doi.gov/invasivespecies/isac-resources>.

Is the Committee engaged in the review of applications for grants?

No

Grant Review Comments

ISAC does not review grants. To date, ISAC has not advice concerning grant processes, gaps or areas of need, and award criteria.

How is access provided to the information for the Committee's documentation?

Checked if Applies

Contact DFO	<input type="checkbox"/>
Online Agency Web Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Online Committee Web Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Online GSA FACA Web Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Publications	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Access Comments

All final documents generated by ISAC are available on the NISC Website,
<https://www.doi.gov/invasivespecies/isac-resources>.