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January Oregon Invasive Species Network Newsletter

WILDLIFE PACKAGE OFFICIALLY INTRODUCED AS HOUSE BILL 4148:

Representative Helm has introduced, for the 2024 Legislative Session, a Wildlife Package that prioritizes wildlife disease, invasive species, wildlife stewardship and coexistence, and wildlife corridors and road crossings. The Invasive Species Prevention and Response is focused on providing resources, securing funding, and assessing improvements of state programs and activities aimed at preventing negative impacts or establishment of invasive species in Oregon. HB 4148 has earned bipartisan support across a broad coalition of conservationists and environmentalists.

View more details on the [Wildlife Package One Pager here](#) and the [Overview of the Wildlife Package here](#).



Photo: ODFW Leave Wildlife Wild Campaign

HB 4148 is expected to become publicly viewable on the [Oregon Legislative Information System \(OLIS\)](#) on February 2nd, where members of the public can submit testimony and track the bill's progress.

Learn how to get involved in the Legislative Session through the [Remote Participation Guide](#).

National Invasive Species Awareness Week

February 26 - March 3, 2024

Stay informed about activities and events at the [NISAW Website](#)



The NISAW Webinar: The Invasive Species Language Workshop will be held February 27-28. [Register here](#).
Photo: NAISMA

Sign up for the Aquatic Invasive Species in Commerce: Developing Solutions to Mitigate Risks Webinar February 20th

ODFW News Release: [Invasive quagga mussels found on boat at Ashland inspection station](#)
Photo: OISC Info Hub, Jan Robert Baars

Portland State University Students create invasive species management projects in Dr. Catherine de Rivera's Ecology & Management of Bioinvasions class. Students worked with OISC members and other invasive species professionals to research and report on the impacts of invasive species in Oregon. See a list of projects here for [2023](#) and [2022](#).

Missed our Last Newsletter?

Highlights: Invasive Green Crabs in the News: Oregon Public Broadcasting TV aired a new "Oregon Field Guide" on invasive green crabs. Oregon Field Guide is OPB's weekly TV news magazine exploring the "ecological issues, natural wonders and outdoor recreation of the Northwest" (OPB). [Find the broadcast about green crabs here](#).

Oregon Invasive Species Network

The network includes all key players, partners and any entity or individual with a stake or interest in protecting Oregon from invasive species. The Oregon Invasive Species Network (OISN) serves as a hub for information and a means for collaboration and coordination across the spectrum of invasive species efforts. The OISN plays a key role in partnering with the Oregon Invasive Species Council.

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