

AIS Subcommittee #2 Meeting Summary

MARCH 11, 2026

CHELAN FIRE STATION, 232 E WAPATO AVENUE + CALL-IN OPTION

Attendees:

In person: Elle Robinson (CCNRD); Stephen Lesky (CCNRD); Brian Patterson (Lake Chelan Conservancy Board); Richard Ulhorn (All Things Lake Chelan); Gretchen Muller (Cascadia); Anna Galipeau (LCRI); Nate Hough-Snee (Meadow Run Environmental); Adam Pfleeger (Chelan Co Noxious Weed Dept)

Online: Justin Bush WDFW (AIS); Kelsey Mach (Aspect); Sarah Peck (Chelan PUD); Wes Glison (Ecology); Gina Hoff (USBR); Alex White (Chelan PUD); Hugh Anthony (NPS); Chloe Dodd (City of Bellingham); Mike Parelskin (City of Bellingham); Clay Patmont (LCRI/Anchor); Leska Fore (Seattle City Light); Michael Stephenson (Idaho Power)

Action Items:

1. Provide feedback via email to Nate (nate@natehough-snee.org) and Kelsey (kelsey.mach@aspectconsulting.com) on Watercraft Inspection Program Plan Outline and Watershed AIS Plan Outline by March 20th, 2026.
2. Provide requests for June 3rd AIS Subcommittee meeting topics.

Decisions Made: No decisions made this meeting

Upcoming Events

Next AIS Subcommittee Meeting

Date: Wednesday, June 3rd, 2026

Time: 10 AM – 12 PM

Location: Chelan Fire Station + Call-In Option

Community Events for Watercraft Inspection Program:

Community Open House Event #1

Date: Thursday April 23, 2026

Time: 6-8 PM

Location: Chelan Fire Station

Community Open House Event #2

Date: Thursday May 7, 2026

Time: 6-8 PM

Location: Chelan Fire Station

Field Trip to County Inspection Station:

Date: Thursday June 4th, 2026

Time: 10 AM – 12 PM

Location: Lakeshore Marina 619 W Manson Hwy, Chelan, WA 98816

Meeting Summary:

Nate presented an overview of the AIS Subcommittee goals and membership, along with a summary of Meeting 1 and a summary of the AIS Subcommittee work plan and schedule.

Presentations were given from four in-basin and out-of-basin organizations including dam operators regarding their approaches for AIS management. Presentations included:

1. *AIS Perspectives and Projects from the Lake Chelan Basin* -Adam Pfleeger, Chelan County Noxious Weed Control Board
Adam.Pfleeger@co.chelan.wa.us, 509-667-6669
2. *Whatcom County AIS Prevention Program Overview and Lessons Learned*, Chloe Dodd, Whatcom County AIS Prevention Program
mrbugaj@cob.org, 360-778-7972
3. *Lessons learned from the Skagit Hydroelectric Project*, Leska Fore, Seattle City Light
4. *Invasive QZM detection, eradication, and ongoing prevention*, Michael Stephenson, Idaho Power
Mstephenson@idahopower.com, 208-388-2930

Resources Shared:

- Whatcom Boat Inspection Data: <https://storymaps.arcgis.com/stories/ebc85700ecf64273a6ec9921bac423a2>
- Idaho State Annual Aquatic Treatment and Survey Plans: <https://invasivespecies.idaho.gov/treatment-plans>
- Idaho Invasive Species Detection Program: <https://invasivespecies.idaho.gov/edrr-monitoring>
- Northern Pike Monitoring Data: <https://pike.nwcouncil.org/monitoring/>
- Watercraft Inspection and Decontamination Training Overview: <https://www.westernais.org/overview-and-glossary-of-terms>
- Invasive Mussel Control at Hydropower Facilities: https://dcbd3e05-bd2d-418a-a1d2-482dd3b5c008.filesusr.com/ugd/0e48c2_2da7490ae95d41ab8e1bb0877504ce2b.pdf
- LCRI Restore the Shore Event: [Restore the Shore – Keep It Blue Lake Chelan](#)