

**Submitted by the Alaska Department of Fish and Game
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Substitute Language for Proposal 261 (or 262)

5 AAC 41.070 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

(f) Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, a person may not possess, import, breed, transport, release, purchase, or sell within this state a banned invasive species classified under 5 AAC 41.075, unless that person holds a permit from the commissioner.

5 AAC 41 is amended by adding a new section to read:

5 AAC 41.075. Classification of banned invasive species. (a) In consultation with the department, the board will classify certain nonnative species as banned invasive species under this section.

(b) When considering proposals to classify a certain nonnative species as a banned invasive species, or removing a species from the list of banned invasive species specified in (c) of this section, the board will consider and determine the potential of the species to

(1) survive, grow, reproduce, and establish reproductive populations in this state;

(2) cause a genetic alteration of a species indigenous to this state;

(3) compete for food, habitat, and resources with a species indigenous to this

state;

(4) degrade or make uninhabitable habitats used by species indigenous to this state;

(5) transmit a disease to a species indigenous to this state or to humans;

(6) threaten the health or population of a species indigenous to this state or to humans;

(7) cause economic or environmental harm.

(c) The following species are classified as banned invasive species:

Common Name

Scientific Name

Amphibians

American bull frog

Lithobates catesbeianus

Pacific Chorus Frog

Pseudacris regilla or *Hyla regilla*

Red-legged Frog

Rana aurora

Crustaceans

Signal crayfish

Pacifastacus leniusculus

Red swamp crayfish

Procambarus clarkii

Rusty crayfish

Orconectes rusticus

European green crab

Carcinus maenas

Dreissenid mussels

Dreissenidae Family

Quagga mussel

Dreissenia bugensis

Zebra mussel

Dreissenia polymorpha

Conrad's or Dark false mussel

Mytilopsis leucophaeta

Fish

Asian carp

Hypophthalmichthys Genus

Yellow Perch

Perca flavescens

Mollusks

New Zealand mudsnail

Potamopyrgus antipodarum

(d) In this section, “banned invasive species” includes any part of an organism, including reproductive material, at any stage of its life cycle.