

**Aquatic Invasive Plant Control Program (AIPCP)**  
**Division of Boating and Waterways**  
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**Summary:**

The objective of the Aquatic Invasive Plant Control Program (AIPCP) is to control the growth and spread of aquatic invasive plants in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta, Suisun Marsh, and southern tributaries– the Tuolumne River and Merced River (hereinafter referred to as the “Delta”) in support of the environment, economy, and public health. Due to the long-term presence and the persistence of aquatic invasive plants in the Delta, the AIPCP legislative mandates are for control, rather than eradication of aquatic invasive plants. The AIPCP is part of the California State Parks, Division of Boating and Waterways (DBW) Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) Program.

**Funding Source:** Harbors and Watercraft Revolving Fund and external funding

**FY 2024/2025 Funding Available:** Approximately \$5,414,000.

**Program Updates:**

- 1) Treatment season will begin on March 1, 2026 and ended November 30, 2026.
- 2) AIPCP has several partnerships with other agencies for aquatic invasive plant control in the Delta such as the Department of Water Resources, Department of Fish and Wildlife, and United States Fish and Wildlife Service. These agencies provide funding through reimbursement contracts to cover the costs for treatment.
- 3) AIPCP has entered into an agreement with a contractor to perform services that cannot be provided by AIPCP such as Drone treatments and Mechanical harvesting, as well as higher cost services for these partnerships.
- 4) AIPCP is focusing more on Performance Metrics to showcase the program effectiveness and successes in future annual reporting.