

**Regional Panel Highlights of Activities and Recommendations for the Aquatic
Nuisance Species Task Force Meeting
Portland, ME
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Regional Panel Name: Northeast Aquatic Nuisance Species Panel
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Key ANS Activities from December 2009 through May 2010

- November 2009 meeting convened in Salem, MA with field trip and “Spotlight on Species: Invasives and the changing face of natural communities”
- Dynamic Online Guide went online in March
- Produced draft of “Most Wanted” poster in partnership with regional groups
- Completed work on organizational structural planning and bylaws revision

Panel Recommendations to the ANSTF

- Work with appropriate Members of Congress to appropriate to the full authorization for State Management Plans
- Identify and secure other sources of funding to support regional panel’s initiatives and other expenses including meetings and workshops