

# BUILDING COMMUNITY SUPPORT

From the Counties perspective

# CHICKEN LITTLE



- The sky is falling.
  - Domesday predictions.
  - Reality what does it look like.
  - Changing the perceptions of the stake holders.
- Economic Factors.
  - Property values-tax base.
  - Recreational industry drop.
  - Tourism goes somewhere else.

# BUILDING A NETWORK THROUGH CONSENSUS

- Identify all stakeholders that should be actively involved. Organize a task force.
- Educate everyone what they should be doing and encourage them to spread the word.
- Engage the public.
  - how to identify AIS including pictures,
  - how and where to report potential AIS infestation
  - let them know about potential new species.

# PREVENTION THROUGH COMMUNITY SUPPORT

- Lobby for new and stricter enforcement penalties.
- Require boater education through an operator license.
- Train inspectors thoroughly and then check on them.
- Add new permanent decon stations at key access points in county.

We Need to work together to achieve  
the goal of 0 new species or Chicken  
Little will be:

