ND lawmakers eye increased fees to fight aquatic invaders

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BISMARCK — About 15 years ago, five people in North Dakota were aware of “aquatic nuisance species,” the water-based invaders that can hamper recreational opportunities and clog water systems. But amid increased concerns about their proliferation, “ignorance is no excuse anymore,” said Greg Power, the fisheries division chief for the North Dakota Game and Fish Department. State lawmakers are eyeing a proposal to raise fees for fishing licenses and other related permits to provide the department with a dedicated funding source for programs to curb the spread of non-native pests. Power said the agency has reshuffled reallocating funds to fight aquatic invaders.

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