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## **MEDIA ADVISORY: *Aquatic invasive species focus of CNR colloquium***

**Who:** Ron Martin  
Aquatic invasive species coordinator  
Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR)

**What:** The College of Natural Resources (CNR)/Biology spring 2006 colloquium series continues with a talk, "Wisconsin's Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) Program." Ron Martin is the featured speaker. His 30-year career with the DNR has been in a variety of job postings dealing with water resource management issues. His talk will describe how the DNR is focusing its efforts to prevent new invasive species introductions in our lakes, streams, and wetlands. A comprehensive rules package dealing with invasive species is now being developed to help reduce the likelihood of future introductions of invasive species.

Since his DNR posting as coordinator of the AIS program in 1991, Martin has directed program efforts toward watercraft inspections at boat landings, overseen aquatic invasive species monitoring, helped set research priorities, developed prevention and control strategies, and assisted in educational and outreach activities within the AIS. Martin is Wisconsin's representative on regional AIS forums and is also involved in forming a national AIS program.

**Where:** UWSP  
College of Natural Resources  
Room 170

**When:** Wednesday  
March 15  
4 p.m.

**Cost:** Free  
\*open to the public

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