

Invasive Species is the Biggest Threat to the Environment after Habitat Loss (IUCN)

Invasive Alien Species cost the Northern Irish Economy **£46 million** per annum Kelly, *et al* 2013 and can cause loss of income to Industry, Aquaculture and Fisheries increasing biosecurity risks. They can impact our natural ecosystems and native vegetation; and compromise our health.

EU IAS banned from import

Below are some of the 37 invasive non-native species listed as species of European Union concern under the **EU IAS** regulation.



Asian hornet



Red-eared terrapin



Water hyacinth



American skunk cabbage



Sacred ibis



Marbled crayfish



Raccoon

If you suspect you have found one of these, or any of the other species listed seek definitive identification from the **NIEA Alien Invasive Species Team** - 028 9056 9558

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For further information and identification materials visit:

www.invasivespeciesni.co.uk