

## **ANSTF Meeting Presentation Information**

**1) Name and affiliation of presenter:** Anne Marie Eich (Sea Grant Fellow)

**2) Background information about presentation** (no more than 5 sentences):

The resources to conduct research to address the threat and harmful effects of aquatic nuisance species are limited; however, these activities would be more attainable through a partnership with the Society for Integrative and Comparative Biology (SICB), one of the largest and most prestigious professional associations of its kind which focuses on integrating the many fields of specialization in the broad field of biology. Through a partnership with the Society, the ANSTF could provide research needs and find researchers who have resources to help complete the research projects. ANSTF partnering with the Society would provide access to undergraduate, graduate, and postdoc students who are invaluable resources with a passion for research.

**3) If the presentation supports a decision, what is the decision point to be considered by the ANSTF?**

Decision Point: Should the ANSTF invite an academic entity to join the ANSTF as an ex officio member?

**4) Does the subject matter relate to an objective(s) identified in the 2007-2012 ANS Strategic Plan? If so, explain.**

This proposal relates to Strategic Goal 3 by adding research resources which would increase ANSTFs ability to address the threat and harmful effects of ANS.

**5) What is the ANSTF role(s) regarding the subject and decision points?**

ANSTF would need to provide research needs to a point of contact with the Society who would distribute to SICB members.