

To (your legislator's name here),

Today I write to express my concern and strong objection to a recently submitted petition from the Center for Invasive Species Prevention to add common carp (*Cyprinus carpio*, or koi) to the US Fish and Wildlife's Injurious Wildlife list.

*Petition: To Amend 50 CFR §16.13 to List 43 High Risk Fish, Crayfish, and Mollusk Species as Injurious Species under the Lacey Act*

I believe that this regulation change would be an absolute mistake with devastating effects to the water garden industry and nationally enjoyed Koi hobby! Adding koi to the Injurious Species list will most certainly eliminate the koi, garden pond and water gardening industry. This would result in millions of dollars of revenue lost from the US economy, as well as jobs and tax revenue lost from our great state. The economic impact would be immeasurable. Koi do not pose a high risk to the USA.

I strongly encourage you to act in the best interest of the businesses and families in our state, and urge US Fish and Wildlife **NOT** to move forward with this change in regulation.

I thank you for your time as well as your public service to our state.

Respectfully,

(Your name and address)