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APHIS Seeks Comment on Draft Environmental Assessment for Giant African Snail Eradication in Florida

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The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) is making available to the public the draft environmental assessment (EA) for the Giant African Snail Cooperative Eradication Program in Florida. The EA analyzes the potential environmental effects of a cooperative program to eradicate giant African snails (*Lissachatina fulica*), an invasive species that impacts a variety of crops and plants.

Anyone wishing to view or comment on the EA can at www.regulations.gov. Type in the title "Giant African Snail Cooperative Eradication Program in Florida" or Docket # APHIS-2024-0017 in the search bar. You can also obtain a copy from and send your comments to USDA-APHIS-PPQ, 8100 NW 15th Place, Gainesville, FL 32606.

All comments received will be considered and may result in changes to the proposed project. For general questions concerning the Giant African Snail EA please call (352) 313-3045 or email james.w.walker@usda.gov.

Comments will be accepted until May 21, 2024.