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Not surprisingly, I am opposing this eradication project and the use of imazamox. First of all Japanese eelgrass provides very similar benefits to the ecosystem as does the native. Spraying the japonica is more than likely to drift into the native eelgrass.

We all know that the oystergrowers would like to get rid of zoster marina as well, although can't do it overtly because it is still a protected species. I am curious because initially DOE was not going to accept the EPA label allowing marine use, can you send me the risk assessment that allows marine use of this pesticide, and/or if it is a conditional registration does that mean that no further risk assessment is necessary.

As you can imagine, my other concern is that my oysterbeds will continue to get drifted on since I am surrounded by commercial oystergrowers and both zoster japonica and marina.
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