The Endangered Species Act: Exotic Indeed!

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Endangered Species Act

- 16 U.S.C. §§ 1531 to 1544
- FWS (Interior)
 - land and freshwater species
- NMFS or NOAA Fisheries (Commerce)
 - marine and anadromous species





USFWS





Dam Fish!





Look Out!





Some Others Recently in the News...















Not the Only Game in Town...

- NEPA
- Clean Water Act
- MBTA
- BGEPA
- MMPA
- Lacey Act
- State species laws
- International treaties (including CITES)



Modern ESA Challenges

- More listing decisions
- Broader geographic ranges
- Threats unrelated to development
- Consultation delays
- Mitigation uncertainty
- Climate change
- Increased litigation



ESA/Other Questions?



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