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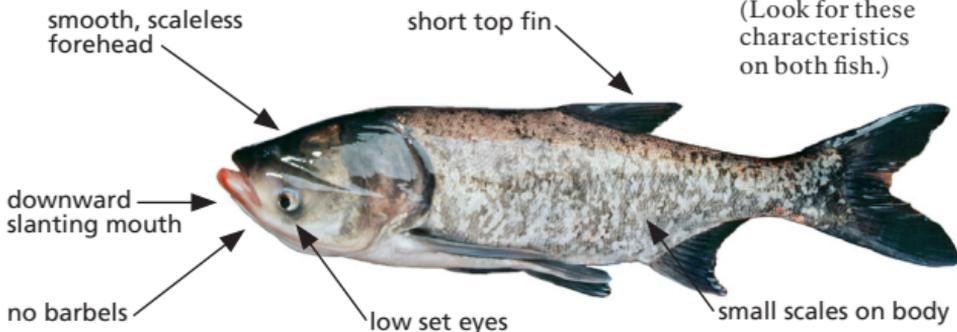
Send your pictures to:  
[miss\\_info@mps.gov](mailto:miss_info@mps.gov)

- Record a GPS location
  - Take a picture of the fish and of your location
- What to do if you find one:

## St. Croix National Scenic Riverway Mississippi National River and Recreation Area



### Identifying Bighead and Silver Asian Carp



# There is still time...

**A group of non-native fish known as Asian carp are moving up the Mississippi River and causing problems for boaters and river ecology.**



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## **Some concerns:**

- Silver carp (shown here) can jump 10 feet out of the water harming people and damaging boats
- Both fish change existing aquatic communities by out-competing native fish for habitat and altering food chains
- Bighead carp (shown on other side) can swim great distances to swiftly expand their range
- Young Asian carp look similar to bait fish

## **What you can do:**

- Drain your boat, bait containers, and wells
- Don't move bait or fish from one body of water to another
- Avoid using live minnows above the St. Croix Falls dam
- Minimize lock use on the Mississippi River
- Report sightings

# to protect your national parks.