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Thank you for contacting me about Asian carp. It is an honor to serve in Washington on behalf of the Second District, and I appreciate your concern for the devastation this invasive species has caused in Tennessee's waterways as well as those throughout the Southeast.

You may be interested to know that I am currently exploring options to protect Tennessee's rivers, and rivers throughout the United States, from this threat. As a fisherman, I recognize the importance of protecting our unique ecological systems from harmful invasive species, like Asian carp.

Recently, I met with the Tennessee Wildlife Federation and other ecologists to learn more about the damage this species can cause and efforts to stop its migration. I am also looking into opportunities to fund technology and other solutions to contain these fish, and I have met with the Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) to discuss its efforts to address this issue.

Please let me know if I may assist you with any issues in the future.

Sincerely,

Tim Burchett Congressman