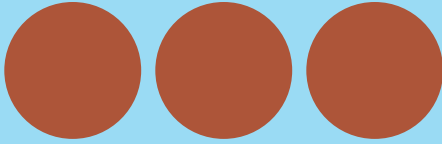


STURGEON

While Lake Sturgeon are making a comeback, their eggs are a favorite snack of the invasive Round Goby. One study found an average of 25 Round Gobies in one square meter. That's a lot of hungry gobies!



BIG WATER CRAYFISH

The native Big Water Crayfish are bullied and out competed by the Rusty Crayfish. This invasive species is often introduced into Michigan's waters as fishing bait.



FATMUCKET MUSSEL

Native to Southeast Michigan, the Fatmucket Mussel population has suffered a decline due to parasitic Zebra and Quagga Mussels. Good news though, efforts are being made to grow the Fatmucket population and fight off the invasive mussels!



BLANDING'S TURTLE

This endangered turtle's population is declining due to disappearing resources and habitat. It is also challenging for the Blanding's Turtle to compete with other plants and animals invading its space.