## **Aquatic Invasive Species Prevention Open Houses**

The Minnesota DNR and Minnesota Waters invite all interested citizens to attend an Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) Prevention Open House. A series of five AIS Prevention Open Houses will be held throughout Minnesota during January. The Open Houses will provide information on statewide AIS prevention strategies and resources available for citizen-leaders working on AIS at the local level. In addition, the DNR will be seeking input and comments on AIS prevention efforts. Each Open House will include informational tables on AIS:

- regulations and enforcement
- watercraft inspections and public education
- local and regional resources for AIS prevention
- identification and general AIS information

DNR staff will also provide a 20-minute presentation on AIS prevention strategies. This presentation will be given at 6:15 pm and again at 7:15 pm. *Note: The management of AIS in state waters will not be the focus of these Open Houses.* 

All interested citizens are welcome and encouraged to attend the Open House in or near your region.

Where: Twin Cities

When: January 14, 6:00 - 8:00 PM Location: Minnetonka Community Center

> 14600 Minnetonka Blvd. Minnetonka. MN 55345

Room: Community Room

Where: Fergus Falls

When: January 21, 6:00 - 8:00 PM

Location: Minnesota State Community and Technical College

1414 College Way Fergus Falls, MN 56537

Room: <u>Legacy Hall</u>