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The poster mentioned above will be distributed along streams, lakes, and rivers where burbot, bowfins, or snakeheads are present over the next few weeks in an effort to educate anglers about the identifying characteristics of each species. This is important, given that burbot (inland population listed as endangered) and bowfins (candidate species for threatened or endangered) have been misidentified as being snakeheads. This is an attempt to prevent mortality of these two species when well-meaning anglers are removing what they think are snakeheads and unwittingly kill the wrong fish species. Blacknose dace, darters, and eels have also been reported by anglers as being snakeheads, so it is clear that an informational campaign regarding proper identification is necessary.