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Whirling Disease in the US was first diagnosed at Benner Springs.

"JL Bartholomew, PW Reno - American Fisheries Society Symposium, 2002 - whirlingdisease.montana.edu
Page 1. American Fisheries Society Symposium 29:3-24, 2002 © 2002 by the American
Fisheries Society The History and Dissemination of Whirling Disease "

New Zealand mudsnails most likely are transported by fishing equipment including felt soles. Here's a quote from "Richards et al, North American Journal of Fisheries Management, 2004, Simple Control Method to Limit the Spread of the New Zealand Mudsnail *Potamopyrgus antipodarum*". "It has been our observation that commonly used lace-up wading shoes are good transport mechanisms of *P. antipodarum*, which often get wedged in-between laces and shoe. Felt bottomed soles can also house *P. antipodarum*, therefore, in addition to desiccation or freezing treatments we recommend a thorough visual inspection and removal of snails."

Felt is not a likely culprit in the transfer of Whirling Disease, but it is for mudsnails.

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