Balanus trigonus

Barnacle

Threat Scores

1. Ecological Impact
    - Problem on ships hulls causing drag & transporting to new environments
    - Clog desalination plant inflow pipes
    - Found in Miami growing on spines and skin of sea urchins
2. Invasive Potential
    - A fouling organism requiring assisted transport to expand alien range
    - Some potential to expand introduced range by larval dispersal in water currents
3. Geographic Extent
    - Regionally pervasive
    - A global invasive problem

Geography and Habitat

1. Native: Western Pacific to Indian Oceans
2. Introduced: Atlantic Coast and Gulf of Mexico
3. Habitats
    - Marine, estuaries/bays
    - Subtidal barnacle that can be found in depths of up to 3,000 m

Invasion Pathways

1. Hull/Surface fouling

Non-Native Locations

1. 41- Virginian
2. 42- Carolinian
3. 43- Northern Gulf of Mexico
4. 70- Floridian

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