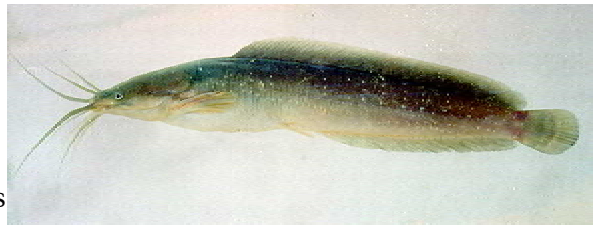
Clarias batrachus

Walking catfish



General
1. Voracious predator, euryhaline, brackish

Geography and Habitat
1. Native: Southeast Asia
2. Introduced: California, Connecticut, Florida, Georgia, Massachusetts
3. Habitat
    - Tropical species, moderate tolerance for cold waters, low lethal temp of 9.8°C
    - Salinity tolerance up to 18 ppt
    - Found in estuarine habitats, lakes, wetlands, rivers, ponds, ditches, inter-coastal waterways

Invasion Pathways
1. Aquaculture
2. Ornamental purposes
3. Pet/Aquarium trade release/escape

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