

Don't Move a Mussel
Announcement - State of Idaho
Watercraft and Equipment Inspection and Decontamination Training

To date, zebra and quagga mussels have not been found within the State of Idaho. These invasive species could be brought to the state on trailered watercraft and equipment. In an effort to educate boaters, the Pacific States Marine Fisheries Commission (PSMFC) provides training on how to intercept, inspect, detect, contain and decontaminate trailered watercraft and equipment suspected of carrying zebra or quagga mussels. The PSMFC is now offering this watercraft inspection and decontamination training to the State of Idaho.

Do your part to prevent zebra and quagga mussels from fouling Idaho's waters!

Who Should Take this Training?

This training is for state, federal and local natural resource and boating agency personnel.

This training includes information on outreach and education programs, basic mussel biology, distribution, transport vectors and mussel impacts. The focus is on how to inspect for and decontaminate trailered watercraft suspected of carrying zebra or quagga mussels. It includes two hours of instruction, a "Question and Answer" session and a hands-on watercraft inspection exercise.

Boise Training

May 28th, 2008

10:00 – 3:00

Idaho Parks and Recreation Department Summit Conference Room
5657 Warm Springs Blvd.
Boise, ID (208) 334-4199.

Northern Idaho Training

May 29th, 2008

12:00-4:30

Federal Building
1500 Highway 2, Sandpoint, ID
Contact: Leslie Marshall (208) 255-5681

This training is free, but you do **need to register** with the Idaho Invasive Species Council before May 14th:

Send an email to:

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Please provide your name, title, address and phone number and indicate if you will attend the training in Boise or Sandpoint.

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