



HELP STOP THE SPREAD OF INVASIVE SPECIES



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Aquatic invasive species, such as zebra & quagga mussels, **pose huge risks to Montana waters and our way of life.**

IMPACTS INCLUDE:

- Increased utility bills: mussels clog public water systems, intakes and dams.
- Increased costs to agriculture: mussels choke off irrigation systems and degrade water supplies which impacts crop and livestock production.
- Loss of recreational opportunities: mussels attach to and damage boats, harm fisheries, and can decrease access to waterbodies.
- Degrade habitat and water quality: mussels can cause algae blooms and impact native species.

WHAT YOU CAN DO:

- If you work or play on the water, Clean, Drain & Dry your boat and equipment after every use.
- Don't move irrigation or construction equipment unless it's Clean, Drain & Dry.
- All watercraft must stop at inspection stations. All watercraft traveling west across the Continental Divide must be inspected before launching. Watercraft coming from out of state must be inspected before launching





