# QUAGGA MUSSEL LARVAE CONFIRMED IN THE SNAKE RIVER

Invasive species come in many shapes & forms, and are silently taking the place of native species we Idahoans depend on to perpetuate our way of life.







## REDUCE YOUR CHANCES OF MOVING AQUATIC HITCHHIKERS

#### 1. CLEAN

Before leaving any water body, always inspect equipment (boats, planes, trailers, decoy anchors, scuba gear, and lures) for visible plants and animals. Remove this material on site. Carefully check places that are still damp. Dispose of the removed material in a trash receptacle or on high, dry ground where there is no danger of it washing into a water body.

#### 2. DRAIN

Eliminate water from all equipment, including motors, live wells, wakeboard ballast tanks, boat hulls, scuba gear, bait buckets, waders, and boots

#### 3. DRY

Clean and dry anything that comes in contact with water (boats, decoys, trailers, equipment, clothing, dogs, etc.)

COMPLETELY DRY YOUR BOAT, TRAILER AND ALL WATER RELATED EQUIPMENT BEFORE LAUNCHING IN ANOTHER WATER BODY.



### **Quick Tips**

- Waterfowl Hunters: Use elliptical, bulb-shaped, or strap anchors on decoys, which avoid collecting submerged and floating aquatic plants. Be sure to remove aquatic plants, animals, and mud that are attached to decoy lines or anchors
- Anglers: Be aware that AIS can lodge in nets and other equipment and can be unintentionally transported into non-infested waters. Clean, drain, and dry all water-related equipment before traveling to a new destination.
- Hunters and Anglers: Remember to clean, drain and dry all wading equipment. Use fresh water and a stiff brush to remove any attached debris and pay close attention to the outer sole tread, felt (if applicable), tongue, and laces. After a thorough cleaning (stream-side or at home), allow wading equipment to completely dry in the sun.



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