

Golden, zebra and quagga mussels pose a real risk to NID infrastructure if introduced into local waters. With the recent detection of golden mussels in Northern California, NID has established a new protocol for boat launching at Rollins and Scotts Flat reservoirs. This program will protect against the introductions of the bivalves.

### Does Rollins Reservoir or Scotts Flat Reservoir have mussels?

Both Rollins Reservoir and Scotts Flat Reservoir are mussel free! The zebra, quagga or golden mussels have not been found in any NID waters.

### How do you know NID reservoirs do not have zebra, quagga or golden mussels?

NID regularly samples the reservoir waters for the presence of larval and adult zebra, quagga or golden mussels.

### Why do I have to install a seal on my motorized watercraft?

The best way to keep NID reservoirs mussel free is to ensure each boat entering the water does not pose a risk of harboring mussels. This is done through applying a seal connecting the boat to the trailer.

The seals will be applied by NID staff at Rollins and Scotts Flat reservoirs. The red seals indicate the watercraft is undergoing the mandatory 30-day quarantine prior to launching at either reservoir. After 30 days, the watercraft is free to launch and can have a blue seal applied at the launch ramp when they leave the lake. The blue seals are intended to identify mussel-free boats that last launched at Rollins or Scotts Flat. The blue seals eliminate the need for future quarantine, unless you choose to go to another lake.

### What watercrafts require a 30-day quarantine or decontamination?

Any motorized watercraft will be required to be clean, drained, and dry. Watercrafts that have a motor will require either a 30-day quarantine or a decontamination. Canoes, paddleboards and kayaks need to be cleaned and dried, no quarantine required.

### Why do I need a RED 30-day quarantine seal?

Due to the presence of golden mussels in the Delta and the thousands of boats that travel from the Delta to NID reservoirs every year, RED seals are required for any vessel wishing to enter Rollins and Scotts Flat Reservoir, regardless of the watercraft history.

After 30 days, the watercraft quarantine period will be lifted, and the watercraft will be allowed to launch into NID reservoirs. When the watercraft leaves the lake, stop at the campground gate house and a BLUE seal will be applied to the watercraft.

### Are there watercrafts that need longer than a 30-day quarantine?

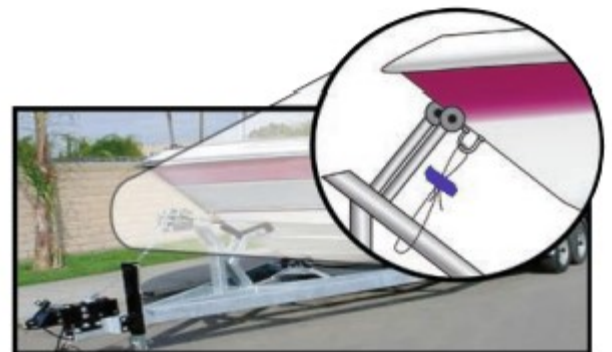
Yes! Watercrafts that have ballasts, bilges or have live wells will need to quarantine for 60-days or be decontaminated prior to launching. It is hard to fully dry these types of watercrafts, the mussel larvae can live in less than an inch of water for longer than 45 days.



Golden mussels are invasive and post a threat to NID infrastructure if they get into District waterways.



Boaters enjoy a day at Rollins Reservoir.



## Where can I get a RED seal?

RED seals can be placed on your watercraft at the following locations:

- \* At **Rollins Long Ravine and Orchard Springs Campground**, Monday - Sunday (7:30AM - 8PM)
- \* At **Scotts Flat Campground** Monday - Sunday (7:30AM – 8PM)
- \* At **Cascade Shores**, Wednesday - Sunday (10AM - 6:30PM)

## Will my RED or BLUE seal be accepted at other lakes besides Scotts Flat and Rollins reservoirs?

We recommend calling ahead to see if the lake you are visiting will accept the RED 30-day quarantine seal or BLUE seal issued for Rollins or Scotts Flat.

## If I get a RED seal placed on watercraft from a different lake, will it be accepted at Rollins and Scotts Flat reservoirs?

Yes, as long as the watercraft information has been added to the Watercraft Inspection Decontamination (WID) database by the agency. Please keep in mind that NID does require a 60-day quarantine on all watercrafts with ballast, bilge or live wells, not all lakes require this. Also, the lake you received the seal from has not tested positive for quagga, zebra or golden mussels.

**\*\*\* At this time NID will NOT take re-entry tags from other lakes, we will only take Red quarantine tags\*\*\***Yes, will accept a RED seal from another lake and is currently under a 30/60 day quarantine.

## How do I get a BLUE seal after my 30-day quarantine?

When you have concluded your 30-day quarantine, you may launch at Rollins and Scotts Flat reservoirs with a RED seal still attached to your watercraft. An NID staff member will be able to remove that seal and the watercraft will be allowed to launch and replaced with BLUE seal on your watercraft upon departure from either reservoir.

**\*\*Please note that to receive the BLUE seal, your boat must depart the lake during regular hours, and an NID employee must attach the seal.**

## Do I need to replace my RED seal with a BLUE seal before going to Rollins and Scotts Flat reservoirs after the 30-day quarantine?

No, after the 30-day quarantine period is over, your watercraft is free to launch at either Rollins or Scotts Flat reservoirs with the RED seal attached. Upon departure from the lake, you need to have a BLUE seal applied by the NID staff.

## What happens if I depart Rollins or Scotts Flat reservoirs after normal concessionaire hours?

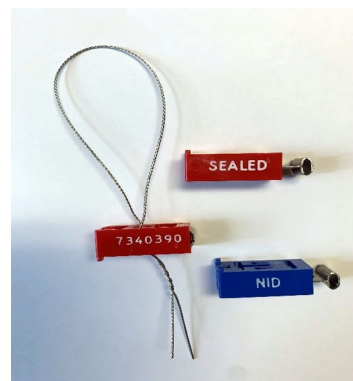
In order to receive a BLUE seal upon departure from the lake, it must be during the normal business hours of the launch ramp facility. Unfortunately, if the facility is closed when the watercraft is leaving the lake, the watercraft will not be able to receive a BLUE seal and the 30-day quarantine process will start over, or a decontamination will be required to bypass the 30-day quarantine.

## Where can I get decontaminated?

NID approved decontamination stations are located at Greenhorn Campground- Rollins Lake (dip tank), Lake Tahoe (4 stations) and Lake Berryessa (4 stations).



Fishing is a good time at Scotts Flat Reservoir.



Red seals are attached during the quarantine period, and blue seals are given upon exiting the lake.



Golden mussels can quickly clog infrastructure, causing costly damage (photo from Brazil).