



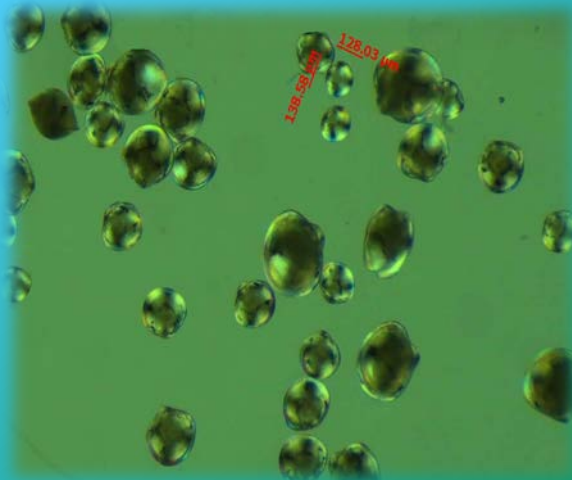
# Status of Nevada's Inspection & Decontamination Program

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# Quagga/Zebra Mussel Monitoring

- Biologists Continue to Routinely Monitor for Q/Z
- No New Q/Z Mussel Detections in Nevada
  - Colorado River Only
  - Analyze using PCR (DNA) & Microscopy



# Watercraft Inspections and Decontaminations

- 2016 Statewide
  - ~17,000 Inspections
    - ~10,000 LMNRA
  - ~1000 Decontaminations
    - 664 LMNRA
- 2017 Statewide <sup>1<sup>st</sup></sup> 6 months
  - ~6,000 Inspections
  - ~350 Decontaminations
    - 276 @Lake Mead



PULL YOUR

**PLUG**

CLEAN, DRAIN & DRY  
YOUR WATERCRAFT

**IT'S THE LAW**

Nevada Revised Statute 488.043 requires the owner, operator or person in control of any vessel must ensure that the drain plugs, drain valves and any other devices used to control the draining of water remain open while transporting the vessel on public roads in the State of Nevada.

**DO YOUR PART**

Stop Aquatic Hitchhikers like quagga mussels from spreading to other water by visiting our AIS removal stations and always remember to Clean, Drain and Dry... Every Time and Everywhere.

**CLEAN**

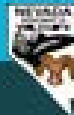
Remove all mud, plants and animals from every part of your boat.

**DRAIN**

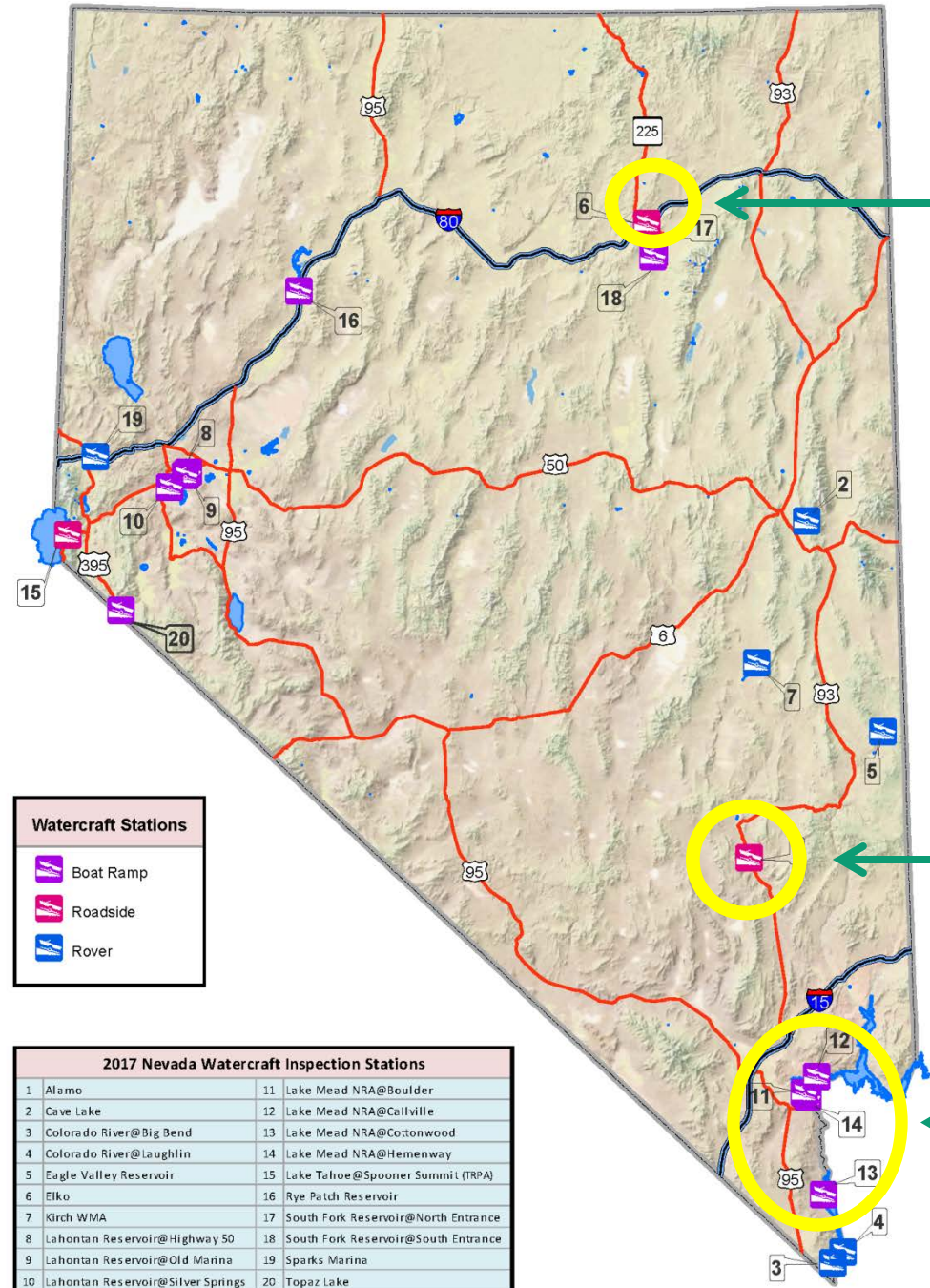
Remove all water from your boat, including bilge wells before you leave the recreation area.

**DRY**

Allow boat to completely dry before you launch in another waterway.



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# Questions?

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