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DP Golden Mussel – May 20, 2025

Don Pedro Reservoir Remains Open Amidst Golden Mussel Issues

Boaters play an important role in keeping Golden Mussels at bay.

Multiple reservoirs throughout the state of California have closed or limited access for boaters due to the presence of the Golden Mussel or out of precautionary measures for their waterways. As of this release, no Golden Mussels have been identified at Don Pedro.

Don Pedro Recreation Agency remains diligent in our work to education ourselves and guests of the reservoir on the issue and what can be done to prevent the spread. In addition to regular inspections in and around the reservoir, DPRA staff continues to test the water to identify conditions optimal to Golden mussel survival as well as the presence of Golden Mussels, engage in meetings with California Department of Fish and Wildlife and sister recreation agencies and reservoirs, and to promote the use of the boaters Self-Inspection Form to prevent the transmission of the mussels from one reservoir to the next.

To help ensure continued boating at Don Pedro Reservoir, boaters are encouraged to use the Self Inspection form to guide inspections of their watercraft and to clean, drain and dry their boats and recreational equipment in between use and different reservoirs. The Self-Inspection form can be found on the DPRA website and is also available at the reservoir.

More information on the ongoing Golden Mussel situation can be found on the DPRA website at www.donpedrolake.com and on the California Department of Fish and Wildlife website at www.wildlife.ca.gov (search Golden Mussel).