

Assault on Asian clams in Tahoe under way

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Scuba-diving scientists and a federal, state and regional battalion launched an aquatic assault Friday on alien invaders threatening to slime one of the world's most pristine lakes.

In a \$1.4 million experiment led by researchers from the University of California, Davis and the University of Nevada, the team set out to smother hundreds of thousands of the slovenly freeloaders – non-native Asian clams that spew algae-causing concentrates into Lake Tahoe.

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