

Lake County wants state Fish & Game to deal with quagga mussel issue

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LAKEPORT -- Lake County Water Resources will seek the support of the Board of Supervisors this week in sending letters to the state to ask for changes in Fish and Game code that addresses the threat of invasive species.

County Water Resources Director Scott De Leon's report to the board states that he and his staff believe that, in order to strengthen the county's quagga mussel prevention program, State Fish and Game Code 2300 needs to be modified, and he's asking for the county to send state representatives letters to that effect.

That particular section of code governs aquatic invasive species and is up for reauthorization in January 2012, De Leon reported.

De Leon is proposing the addition of a requirement that all out-of-state boats or boats that have launched in infested areas have a "dirty boat sticker" that could only be countered by a "clean sticker" given by a Fish and Game or other authorized inspector.

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