Voluntary boat inspections resume in Truckee area

For a fourth season, watercraft inspections and boater education on aquatic invasive species will take place at Donner Lake and Boca, Prosser, and Stampede reservoirs from late May through early September.

Inspections are voluntary, but highly recommended to help boaters avoid spreading aquatic invasive plant and animal species, which could threaten the ecological and economical integrity of the Truckee-Tahoe area.

Started in 2009, the Truckee Regional AIS Prevention Program works to provide community education on AIS and implements boat inspections, which are the front line to prevent the introduction of AIS, as boats and other motorized watercraft are the highest-risk vectors for spreading AIS into new water bodies.

Decontaminations will be available for a fee for high risk vessels launching at Truckee area water bodies. Decontaminations will take place at Alpine Meadows, off Highway 89, and Northstar, off Highway 267.