Watercraft Bands Used in California
California Department of Fish and Wildlife, Invasive Species Program

This document summarizes bands used by agencies throughout California to manage watercraft. Bands are used for a variety of purposes, as described below. Please call 866-440-9530 or email invasives@wildlife.ca.gov to request additions to this list. Banding programs are subject to change so this list should not be considered comprehensive and is provided as a courtesy by the State of California.

If you encounter a watercraft attempting to launch with a “quarantine” band we recommend you do not allow the watercraft to launch and contact your CDFW Quagga/Zebra Mussel Regional Scientist. For all other bands, contact the issuing agency for clarification on the meaning of that band.

Band Categories:

**Quarantined under Fish and Game Code Section 2301**: Band issued to a quagga/zebra mussel infested watercraft that has been quarantined and prohibited from launching per Fish and Game Code Section 2301 by the California Department of Fish and Wildlife or the California Department of Food and Agriculture.

**Inspected**: Band issued to a watercraft that failed inspection, or that passed inspection but is required to undergo a dry period prior to launching.

**Exit Band from Infested Waterbody**: Band issued to a watercraft exiting a waterbody infested with dreissenid mussels.

**Exit Band**: Band issued to a watercraft exiting a waterbody that passed a prelaunch watercraft inspection. Exit bands are used to expedite re-entry and/or may be part of a reciprocal banding program.

This list is organized by band color, then by issuing agency.

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| ![Quarantined Band](image) | **California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW):**  
Contact the [CDFW Regional Scientist](#) responsible for the county in which the watercraft was intercepted.  
Issued to watercraft infested with quagga/zebra mussel and placed under quarantine by CDFW. Watercraft is prohibited from launching in California until released from quarantine by CDFW. | **Quarantined under Fish and Game Code Section 2301** |
| ![Inspected Band](image) | | |
| ![Exit Band from Infested Waterbody](image) | | |
| ![Exit Band](image) | | |

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<td><strong>Pyramid Lake</strong>&lt;br&gt;<a href="http://www.castaiclake.com/boatinspections.html">http://www.castaiclake.com/boatinspections.html</a>&lt;br&gt;661-257-4050</td>
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<td><strong>NOTE:</strong> Pyramid Lake is infested with quagga mussel.&lt;br&gt;Issued to exiting watercraft to expedite re-entry at Pyramid Lake.</td>
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| ![Castaic Lake Bands](image1.png) | **Los Angeles County Parks and Recreation:**  
**Castaic Lake**  
661-257-4050  
**NOTE:** Castaic Lake receives water from Pyramid Lake (infested). | Exit Band |
| ![Lake Morena Bands](image2.png) | **San Diego County Park District:**  
**Lake Morena County Park**  
[http://www.sdcounty.ca.gov/parks/fishing/index.html](http://www.sdcounty.ca.gov/parks/fishing/index.html)  
619-579-4101 | Exit Band |
| ![Lopez Lake Bands](image3.png) | **San Luis Obispo County Parks:**  
**Lopez Lake**  
[https://slocountyparks.com/camp/lopez-lake/](https://slocountyparks.com/camp/lopez-lake/)  
805-788-2381  
**Santa Margarita Lake**  
(aka Salinas Reservoir)  
805-788-2397 | Exit Band |
| ![Cachuma Lake Bands](image4.png) | **Santa Barbara County Parks:**  
**Cachuma Lake Recreation Area**  
[http://www.countyofsbc.org/parks/cachumaboating.sbc](http://www.countyofsbc.org/parks/cachumaboating.sbc)  
805-686-5097 | Inspected |
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| ![Image](band1.png) | **United Water District:**  
**Lake Piru Recreation Area**  
http://camplakepiru.com  
805-521-1500  
**NOTE:** Lake Piru is infested with quagga mussel.  
Issued to exiting watercraft to expedite re-entry at Lake Piru. | Exit Band from Infested Waterbody |
| ![Image](band2.png) | **California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA):**  
Contact the [CDFW Regional Scientist](#) responsible for the county in which the watercraft was intercepted.  
Issued to watercraft infested with quagga/zebra mussels intercepted at a CDFA Border Protection Stations and placed under quarantine. Watercraft is prohibited from launching in California until released from quarantine by CDFW. | Quarantined under Fish and Game Code Section 2301 |
| ![Image](band3.png) | **East Bay Regional Park District:**  
**Del Valle Reservoir and Quarry Lakes**  
https://www.ebparks.org/activities/boating/sailing/default.htm  
510-544-3143 | Exit Band |
| ![Image](band4.png) | **Rancho California Water District:**  
**Vail Lake**  
www.ranchowater.com  
951-296-6900 | Exit Band |
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**Lake Nacimiento, Private Ramps**  
https://www.slocounty.ca.gov/Departments/Public-Works/Services/Invasive-Mussels.aspx  
805-788-6006  
Issued to watercraft associated with private communities’ general inspection program. | Exit Band |
| ![Band](image2) | **Tahoe Regional Planning Agency:**  
**Echo Lake**  
http://tahoeboatinspections.com  
888-824-6267 | Exit Band |
| ![Band](image3) | **Arrowhead Lake Association:**  
**Lake Arrowhead**  
https://www.ala-ca.org/boat_inspections.php  
909-337-2595 | Exit Band |
| ![Band](image4) | **California Department of Parks and Recreation:**  
**Lake Perris**  
http://www.parks.ca.gov/?page_id=24696  
951-657-2179  
**Silverwood Lake**  
http://www.parks.ca.gov/?page_id=25893  
760-389-2281 | Exit Band |
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San Luis Reservoir, O'Neill Forebay, and Los Banos Creek Reservoir  
http://www.parks.ca.gov/?page_id=27723  
209-826-1197 x112 | Exit Band |
| ![Band Image] | **City of Watsonville:**  
Pinto Lake City Park  
https://www.cityofwatsonville.org/1525/Pinto-Lake  
831-728-6194 | Exit Band |
| ![Band Image] | **Contra Costa Water District:**  
Contra Loma Reservoir  
https://www ebparks.org/activities/boating/sailing/default.htm  
925-688-8150 | Exit Band |
| ![Band Image] | **Monterey County Parks Department:**  
Lake Nacimiento, Public Ramps  
https://www.co.monterey.ca.us/government/departments-i-z/resource-management-agency-rma/-parks/lake-nacimiento/quagga-zebra-mussels  
831-755-4895 | Exit Band |
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**Cachuma Lake Recreation Area**  
http://www.countyofsb.org/parks/cachumaboating.sbc  
805-686-5097  
Issued to exiting watercraft that passed an initial inspection and underwent required dry period. | Exit Band |
| ![SCC Parks Band](image) | **Santa Clara County Parks:**  
**Calero Reservoir, Coyote Reservoir, Lake Anderson, Lexington Reservoir, Stevens Creek Reservoir**  
http://www.sccgov.org/sites/parks/Activities/Boating-Fishing/Pages/Boating.aspx  
408-779-3634 | Exit Band |
| ![Lake Berryessa Band](image) | **Solano County Water Agency:**  
**Lake Berryessa**  
http://www.scwa2.com/resources-management/lake-berryessa-outreach-program  
707-451-6090 | Exit Band |
| ![Fallen Leaf Band](image) | **Tahoe Regional Planning Agency:**  
**Fallen Leaf Lake**  
http://tahoeboatinpections.com  
888-824-6267 | Exit Band |
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| | **Big Bear Lake**  
| | [https://www.bbmwd.com/boating](https://www.bbmwd.com/boating)  
| | 909-866-5796 | Exit Band |
| ![Casitas band](image) | **Casitas Municipal Water District:**  
| | **Lake Casitas**  
| | 805-649-2233 Ext. 103 | Exit Band |
| ![East Bay band](image) | **East Bay Municipal Utility District:**  
| | **San Pablo Reservoir**  
<p>| | 510-223-1661 | Exit Band |</p>
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**Ruth Lake**  
[http://www.ruthlakecsd.org](http://www.ruthlakecsd.org)  
707-574-6332 | Exit Band |
| ![Band Image 2](image2.jpg) | **Lake of the Pines Association:**  
**Lake of the Pines**  
[https://www.lop.org/](https://www.lop.org/)  
530-268-1141 | Exit Band |
| ![Band Image 3](image3.jpg) | **Los Angeles County Department of Power and Water:**  
**Lake Crowley**  
760-935-4301 | Exit Band |
| ![Band Image 4](image4.jpg) | **Tahoe Regional Planning Agency:**  
**Lake Tahoe**  
[www.tahoeboatinpections.com](http://www.tahoeboatinpections.com)  
888-824-6267 | Exit Band |
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**Diamond Valley Reservoir**  
[http://www.dvlake.com/inspection01.html](http://www.dvlake.com/inspection01.html)  
951-926-7201 | Exit Band |
| ![Band Image](image2) | **San Luis Obispo County, Department of Public Works:**  
**Lake Nacimiento, Private Ramps**  
[https://www.slocounty.ca.gov/Departments/Public-Works/Services/Invasive-Mussels.aspx](https://www.slocounty.ca.gov/Departments/Public-Works/Services/Invasive-Mussels.aspx)  
805-788-6006  
Issued to watercraft enrolled in the Resident Vessel Program. | Exit Band |
| ![Band Image](image3) | **San Luis Obispo County Parks:**  
**Lopez Lake and Santa Margarita Lake (aka Salinas Reservoir)**  
[https://slocountyparks.com/camp/lopez-lake/](https://slocountyparks.com/camp/lopez-lake/)  
Lopez: 805-788-2386  
Santa Margarita: 805-788-2415 | Inspected |