



CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

A message about invasive species issues in California...

On August 23, 2017, a United Water Conservation District (UWCD) notified the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) that their staff had surveyed six locations along the Santa Clara River downstream of the confluence of Lower Piru Creek, Ventura County. Their staff discovered one adult quagga mussel on the Torrey Road Bridge, Piru, California, and twelve adult quagga mussels on the 12th Street Bridge, Santa Paula, California. UWCD reported that all quagga mussels detected during the surveys were attached to vertical structures in shaded areas with slow-flowing to still water. UWCD did not discover mussels at any of the other four locations surveyed. UWCD and CDFW have visually identified the specimens as quagga mussels.

CDFW staff surveyed a portion of the Santa Clara River on August 26, 2017. CDFW did not discover mussels at the location surveyed. A plankton sample was collected and sent to CDFW's laboratory for analysis.

For questions that are specific to UWCD's response, please contact UWCD Main Number (805) 525-4431. For questions regarding CDFW's response, please contact CDFW's hotline at (866) 440-9530.

This listserv is for distribution of information regarding invasive species issues in California.

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