

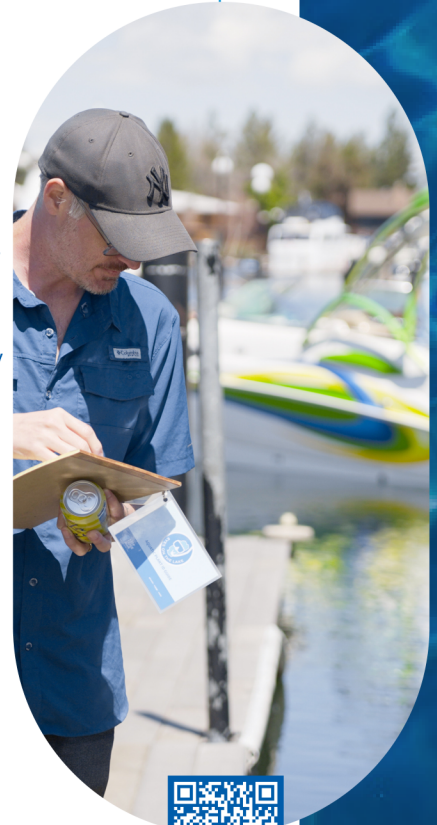


# EYES ON THE LAKE

In this citizen science program, volunteers help prevent the spread of aquatic invasive species (AIS) – the largest threat to Tahoe’s delicate ecology – by “protecting while they play” on the water or shoreline. League staff train folks to identify and report AIS sightings through the Citizen Science Tahoe App. We also provide informational displays to outdoor recreation businesses and work closely with staff from area marinas, so we can respond rapidly to new sightings and keep AIS in check.

Last summer we introduced a mobile, solar-powered cleaning station for non-motorized watercraft like kayaks and paddleboards. The CD3 – short for “clean, drain, dry, dispose” – gives paddlers and anglers a free tool to make sure their gear is AIS-free, help slow the spread of AIS already in the Lake, and prevent new introductions, like the New Zealand mudsnail that was discovered in Tahoe in 2023.

Our staff also hosted outreach events at nine marinas around the Lake. We educated more than 115 individuals, equipping them with the tools to prevent AIS from spreading.



## 2023 BY THE NUMBERS



Host public outreach events at marinas around the Lake and at places where the CD3 is stationed,

Conduct our annual Eyes on the Lake training for Tahoe marinas’ management and staff.

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