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**HELP STOP
THE SPREAD OF
INVASIVE SPECIES**

- ▶ Clean drain & dry your boat and fishing gear.
- ▶ Stop at watercraft inspection stations.

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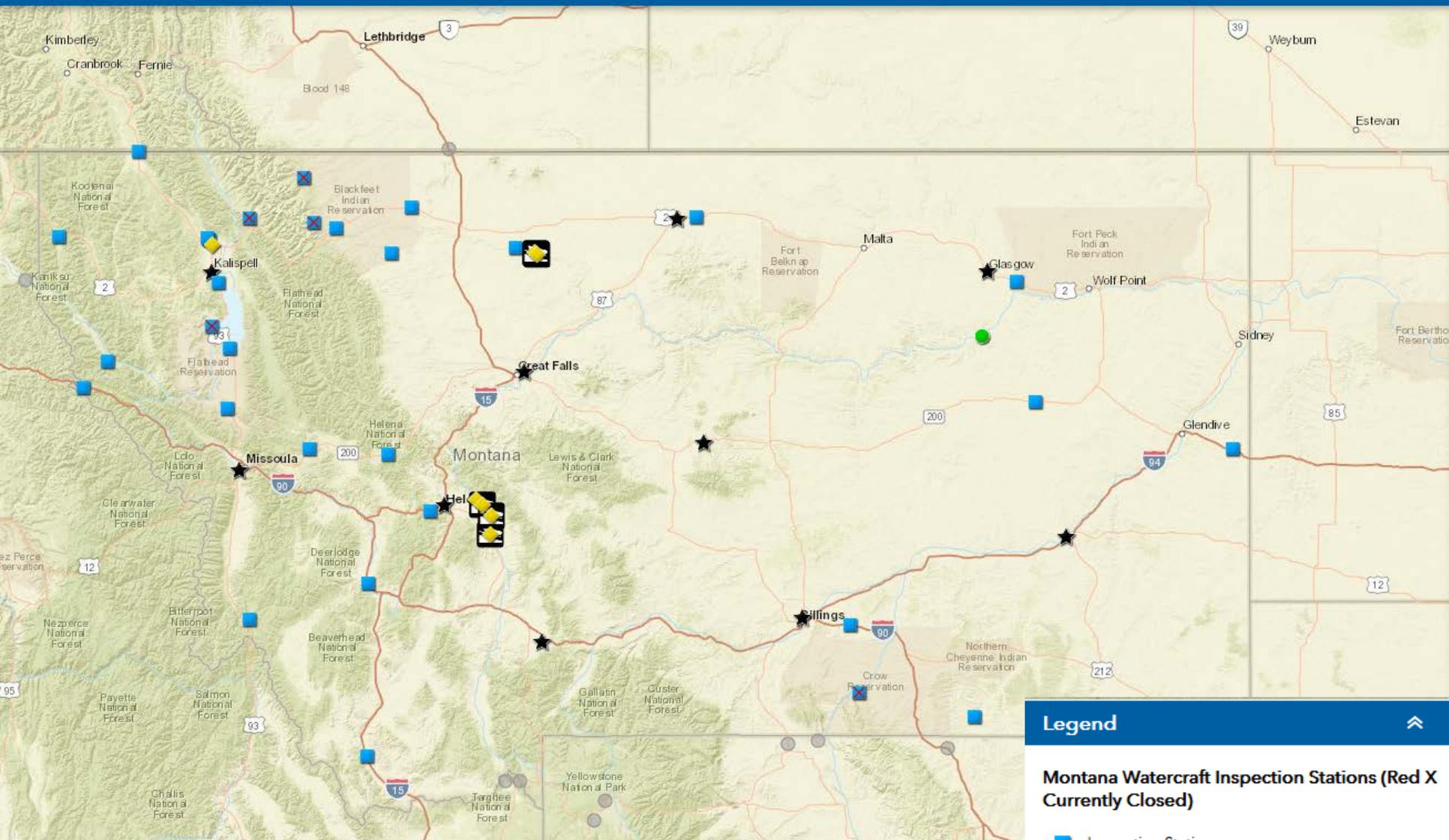


Montana Fish,
Wildlife & Parks



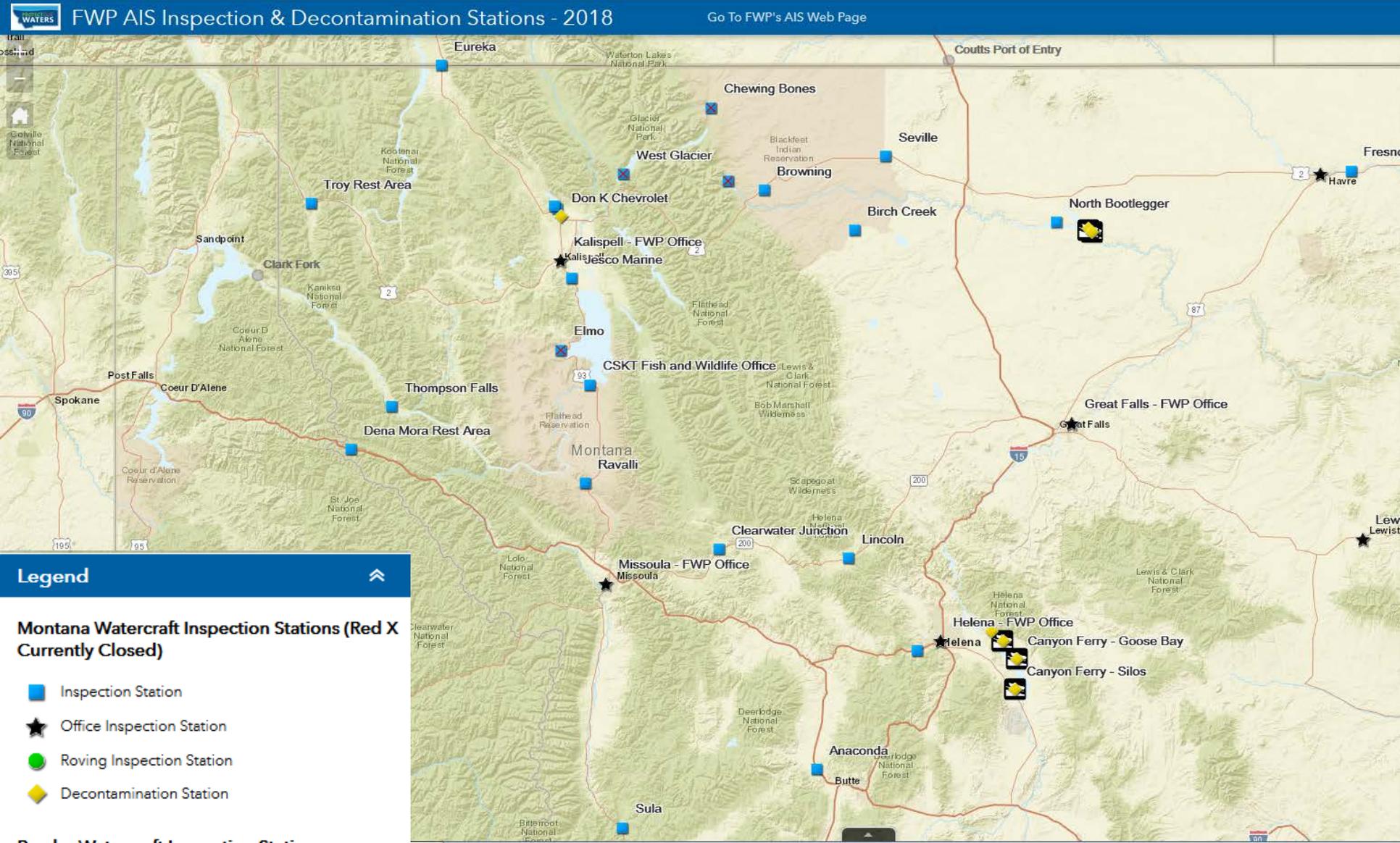
2018 Watercraft Inspection Station Season Update

CAST Magazine Ad – aimed at anglers



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Legend

Montana Watercraft Inspection Stations (Red X Currently Closed)

- Inspection Station
- Office Inspection Station
- Roving Inspection Station
- Decontamination Station

Border Watercraft Inspection Stations

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Canyon Ferry and Tiber Public Boat Launches



Canyon Ferry - Certified Boater Only Access



Tiber - Certified Boater Only Access



2018 MT WIS Update

8,000 +
Watercraft
Inspections

Facebook Post

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Your watercraft must be inspected if:

- You encounter an open inspection station.
- You are coming into Montana from out-of-state.
- You are traveling west over the Continental Divide.
- You are launching anywhere within the Flathead Basin and your watercraft last launched on waters outside of Flathead Basin.

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**MONTANA FISH,
WILDLIFE & PARKS**

**2018 MT WIS
Update
(continued)**



**6 mussel fouled
boats intercepted
in MT so far**

2018 MT WIS Update (continued)



2018 MT WIS Update (continued)

- About 15-20 trainings conducted state wide
 - Moving toward more decentralized station control
 - New sheds at some sites



Canyon Ferry - Hellgate Campground
Aquatic Invasive Species Decontamination Station

2018 MT WIS Update (continued)

- Partner operations:
 - CSKT, Blackfeet and Conservation Districts under contract to operate their own watercraft inspection stations
 - BOR and MDT assisting with land, signage, rest area usage
- Using Colorado Data App
 - Tablets being used for closer to real time data collection at some locations, learning curve in their use, different data collected than prior years, expensive to change data collected



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Clean: Remove all plants and mud from boat, trailer and fishing gear.

Drain: Pull your drain plug. Before you leave the area eliminate all water from your boat and gear.

Dry: Allow time for your boat and gear to dry completely before launching somewhere else.

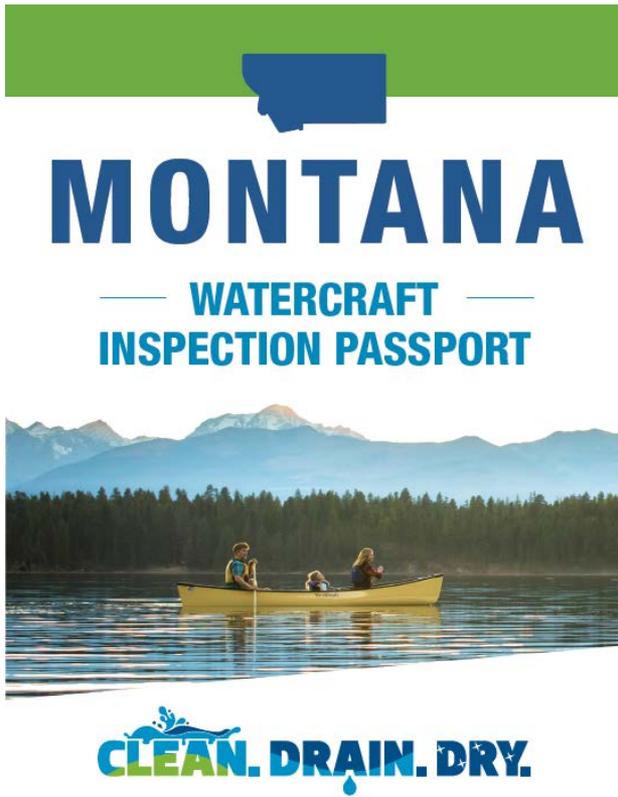
All watercraft must stop at inspection stations



2018 MT WIS Update (continued)

- New high risk form (incorporated a few forms into one)
- Low risk receipts/passports to expedite low risk boats
- Now locking all mussel fouled boats
- High turnover in area supervisors
- Hiring Difficult – but now nearly fully staffed
- New Flathead Basin Rules – if launching outside basin, watercraft must be inspected prior to re-launch within basin





			
Receipt / Proof of Inspection State of Montana Aquatic Invasive Species Inspection			
Watercraft Bow # _____	State _____	Month / Day / Year _____	Time _____ AM / PM
Trailer License # _____	State _____	Vehicle License # _____	State _____
Inspection Location and Date (Stamp Above)		Seal # _____	Watercraft Inspector _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Watercraft / equipment inspected and determined to not be transporting invasive species.			
Watercraft is CLEAN. DRAIN. DRY.			
Notes:			
Inspection Receipt Details:		KEEP THIS RECEIPT AS PROOF OF INSPECTION	
<small>THE LAW STILL REQUIRES YOU TO STOP AT INSPECTION STATIONS YOU ENCOUNTER REGARDLESS OF POSSESSION OF THIS RECEIPT</small>			
<small>Stopping at watercraft inspection stations is mandatory for all watercraft in Montana. This receipt only documents that this boat has been inspected at a Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks inspection station following standard protocols. If a hot wash has been completed, a separate form will be provided.</small>			

Low risk receipts/passports to expedite low risk boats

Education/Outreach Update

- 3 new rack cards – see ex
- Displays
- Swag
- ISAN workshops with DNRC
- Advertising
 - Newspapers
 - Radio
 - TV
 - Digital
 - Billboards
- Out-of-State campaigns:
 - Targeting AZ and NV boat owners wrapping up soon
 - Midwest campaign going on now

CANYON FERRY · TIBER RESERVOIR

CERTIFIED BOATER PROGRAM



If you use a boat on Canyon Ferry OR Tiber Reservoirs, the Certified Boater program might be right for you.

- ✓ **Yes:** if you frequently boat on either Tiber or Canyon Ferry Reservoirs without traveling to other waterbodies between visits.
- ✓ **Yes:** if you own a boat that takes longer to decontaminate, like wake boats or boats that have a ballast.
- ✓ **Yes:** if you are a Montana resident living EAST of the Continental Divide AND your watercraft is registered in Montana.
- ✗ **No:** if you frequently boat on many different waterbodies.
- ✗ **No:** if your boat is kept at a dock or slip and doesn't leave the reservoir.



Certified Boaters are still required to stop at inspection stations where they will be expedited through a brief interview. Hot water decontamination won't be required. Certified Boaters can access all open boat ramps within their designated reservoir.

Certified Boaters are required to:

- ▶ Successfully complete a test and sign an agreement form.
- ▶ Choose either Canyon Ferry or Tiber Reservoir as your designated area.
- ▶ Affix 2 decals on the outside back of your boat, one on each side.
- ▶ If using a boat trailer, affix 1 decal on the back of your trailer where it is visible when parked.
- ▶ If you sell your boat or trailer, remove all decals.
- ▶ If you loan your boat, ensure the borrower knows and follows the rules of the Certified Boater program.

Questions

clean boats

STOP
Invasive Species

MONTANA
boat inspections
are *mandatory*

