



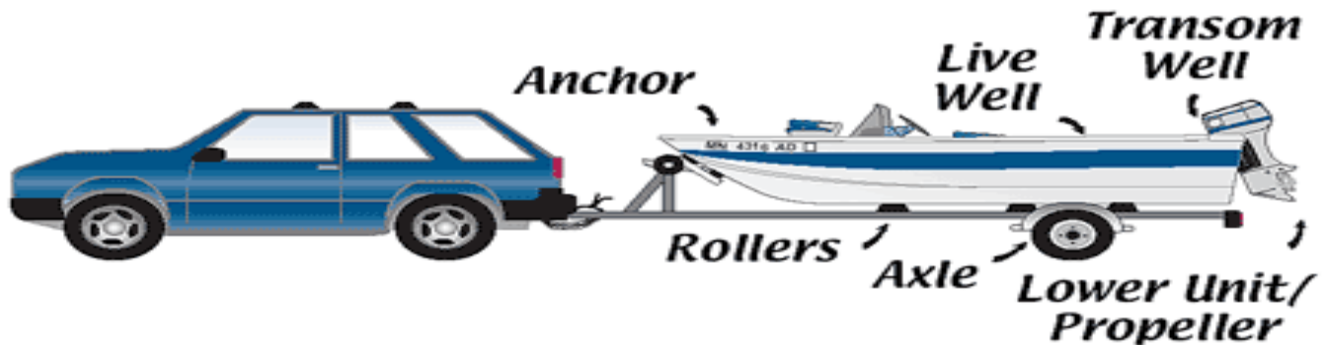
Stop Aquatic Hitchhikers

WELCOME TO YOUR MINNESOTA LAKESHORE VACATION

**STOP AQUATIC
HITCHHIKERS!**

Click on logo to learn about the Stop Aquatic Hitchhikers program!

If you are a **water recreationist**—boater, angler, water-skier, sailor, jet ski user or canoeist—there are some important things you can do to prevent the transport of harmful invasive species from one lake or river to another. **In Minnesota it is illegal to transport harmful invasive species.**



Tips for water recreationists to stop aquatic hitchhikers:

- **INSPECT** and **REMOVE** aquatic plants & animals before entering/leaving access
- **DRAIN** water before leaving access
- **DISPOSE** of unwanted live bait in the trash, not in the water or on land
- **SPRAY, RINSE** or **DRY** boats (zebra mussels, spiny & fishhook waterfleas)

Learn to identify aquatic invasive species

- SAVE a suspected invasive plant or animal in a sealed plastic bag
- CALL local DNR before transporting any material
- REPORT location of suspected invasive
- VISIT www.dnr.state.mn.us/invasives

Know the rules:

- Do not transport aquatic plants, zebra mussels or other invasive species
- Do not launch a boat or place a trailer in the water if it has aquatic plants, zebra mussels or other invasive species attached
- Do not transport water from infested waters (bilge, live well, bait buckets, etc)
- Use **TIP** line to report violations: **1-800-652-9093**

Protect Your Waters:

- VISIT www.mnwaters.org/hubbardcola
- VISIT www.ProtectYourWaters.net

THANK YOU FOR HELPING US PROTECT & ENJOY OUR MINNESOTA LAKES