

Good Morning Neighbors!

Unfortunately, the weekly water test for Beach 1 came back with Elevated levels of E. Coli. The report was received this morning. We are unable to retest the water until tomorrow.

Unfortunately, we have to close the beach for today and tomorrow. We will provide an update Friday morning with the results of the water test that will take place tomorrow.

The elevated E. Coli levels are from the increasing geese population at first beach.

The board has started looking into options for addressing the geese at first beach. This conversation began after we received communications from residents reporting the geese droppings were increasing over the weekend.

We did talk to a geese chasing company just to explore this option if it became necessary at any point in the future so we have the information. At this time no discussion or decision has taken place. We plan to explore all other options before having more of a discussion on this.

As reported Monday at the general meeting the Landscaping company plans to open up the swimming area and remove some of the grass. He is not charging us for this as it would be beneficial for their company making it easier for them to maintain first beach for us. The geese chasing company representative did confirm that the removal of the grass near the swimming area would be beneficial to lessening the droppings from the geese. It was explained that the geese feed on the grass and relieve themselves in the process.

I am providing the results for 7/6 and 7/11 so the community can see the geese population increase and water failure happened rather quickly. Our goal is to have a safe swimming area for the community to enjoy. Bare with us as we navigate this with the professionals to come up with a solution as quickly as possible so we can get back to enjoying the lake.

If you have any questions please email as our volunteers do not have the ability to keep up on social media.



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Public Recreational Bathing Certificate of Analysis

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Sample Location: Lake		Date Sampled: 07/11/23		Time Sampled: 10:06	
Sample ID: 230796359					
Test/ Parameter	Date/Time Analyzed	Result	Units	Allowable Limit	Method
E. coli	11-JUL-2023 13:12	575	MPN/100mL	<320	Colilert 18-04

Received by Laboratory:

Date: 07/11/2023 Time: 10:18 Iced and Properly Preserved: YES NO

All samples collected in a sterile, 120ml sample container, preserved with Sodium Thiosulfate and transported on ice.

Per Standard Methods, Pseudomonas aeruginosa positive results are reported as presumptive unless noted otherwise.

Analysis: Pool = Total Coliform and Heterotrophic Plate Count (HPC) Spa = Pseudomonas aeruginosa and HPC Lake = E. coli
CFU = Colony Forming Units

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Sample Location: Lake		Date Sampled: 07/06/23		Time Sampled: 14:41	
Sample ID: 230795958					
Test/ Parameter	Date/Time Analyzed	Result	Units	Allowable Limit	Method
E. coli	6-JUL-2023 16:34	121	MPN/100mL	<320	Colilert 18-04

Received by Laboratory:

Date: 07/06/2023 Time: 14:28 Iced and Properly Preserved: YES NO

All samples collected in a sterile, 120ml sample container, preserved with Sodium Thiosulfate and transported on ice.

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