



LAKE & Aquatic Resources Department
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WARNING



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- Potentially unhealthful Bacteria Levels
 - Floating storm debris
 - Submerged obstacles
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The Lake has recently risen over 4.5 feet. The high storm water flows from the San Jacinto River may result in potentially unhealthful bacteria concentrations. Water contact may cause illness. Standard health precautions advise bathers to refrain from entering waters for at least 72 hours after a storm event. Bacterial sampling of the Lake is ongoing, with laboratory results posted on the City's website (www.lake-elsinore.org), when they become available.

High storm water flow transports storm debris into the Lake. Partially floating storm debris includes logs, tree branches, brush, tires and assorted household goods. Floating storm debris is a potential hazard for boats traveling on the Lake.

The substantial rise in the water level has submerged a number of potential boating hazards, including land masses (peninsulas) and fencing. City maintenance crews have set "Hazard Area" and "Shallow Area" buoys in the general location of known submerged obstacles. However, several unknown hazards may exist. Boaters are hereby warned to travel at a slow rate of speed and stay a safe distance away from hazard and shallow area buoys.

Lake Elsinore is the largest natural freshwater lake in southern California. The Lake is characterized by floods and droughts. This is the natural hydrologic cycle of Lake Elsinore. The transport and deposition of storm debris from the 760 square mile watershed into the Lake is part of this cycle. Boaters are hereby WARNED of the potential for unhealthful bacteria levels, floating storm debris and submerged hazards in the Lake.

