Dear Vista Bonita Community,

I hope this email finds you well! As your Ecology Team, we are pleased to share the results of our June water quality testing for the Vista Bonita Baker Lake. The good news is that the water sample test results confirm the lake remains safe for recreational activities such as swimming, boating, and fishing. Our E. Coli results were below EPA and state max levels.

However, please remember that the lake water is not potable drinking water and should not be consumed by humans or animals. Additionally, it should not be used for irrigating food gardens to ensure everyone’s safety.

Water samples tested in June were collected before the first water clarity and muck treatments were applied. We will continue to conduct water testing and treatments in July and August as needed to maintain the lake’s health. Testing and treatments are performed to ensure the safety and health for our community’s families and pets.

* Note - the fact that the samples test have a result for Total Coliform, Fecal Coliform, and/or E. Coli, it is an indicator for contamination of waste from warm blooded animals, and there are potentially harmful bacteria present in the water. This is not unusual for natural outdoor water in recreational areas. Therefore, we follow the EPA and Colorado State Environmental guidelines for lakes and swimming areas/beaches to ensure safety for our community’s families and pets. If levels get high, then we will inform everyone and proceed as required. This year’s first set of results are much better than last year, so we are happy our treatments are working.

We’re thrilled to see our community enjoying this beautiful resource! Thank you for helping us keep Vista Bonita’s lake a safe and enjoyable place for all. If you have any questions, feel free to reach out!

Best regards,

VBRA Ecology Team

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