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CANYON LAKE UNDERGOING NATURAL TURNOVER, MAY CAUSE TEMPORARY ODOR OR COLOR CHANGES

*NATURAL PROCESS IN CANYON LAKE MAY CAUSE TEMPORARY CHANGES IN WATER COLOR,
CLARITY*

Canyon Lake, CA - Elsinore Valley Municipal Water District (EVMWD) is alerting Canyon Lake residents of the lake's natural seasonal turnover, a process that may cause temporary changes in water color, cloudiness, or an earthy, musty, or 'rotten egg' odor in the coming days. These effects are a normal part of the seasonal turnover and do not pose any health risks to the community.

Lake turnover is a natural occurrence that typically happens twice a year in temperate climates, including here at Canyon Lake. It occurs when the lake's surface water cools, becomes denser, and sinks, causing the lake to mix from top to bottom. This seasonal shift circulates nutrients and redistributes oxygen but may temporarily stir up sediment and release natural odors.

EVMWD performs weekly water quality tests in Canyon Lake throughout the entire year, and observed signs of turnover in recent test results. Thanks to this regular monitoring, we are able to keep the community informed and reassured that the water remains safe.

We understand that changes in water appearance or scent can be concerning, but these effects are natural and short-lived, typically lasting one to two weeks.

For more information or to speak with a representative, please contact our office at 951-674-3146.

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