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Disharoon Lake Maintenance and Improvements

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To get ready for the summer fun, Big Canoe Public Works on Wednesday morning began draining Disharoon Lake – so don't be alarmed next week when you see an exposed lake bed cut just by a running creek.

The crew must lower the water to remove the exposed pier pilings and, if necessary, perform maintenance on the gate that controls the flow of water into nearby Lake Sconti.

The good news: The pier is being removed to open space for the expanded, inflatable water park for children. At the close of the season, they will extend the beach (!) and build a seawall, which will accommodate at least one floating dock for watercraft.

What that means for Lake Sconti is that it should inch closer to filling up in the coming weeks with the water that had been in Disharoon. Disharoon should be drained in about two to three weeks.

After the work has been completed, the lake will take about three weeks to refill – just in time for the Beach Club's Memorial Day weekend.

Note that this will force the closure of the walking bridge along the Lake Trail, which is directly across the lake from the Beach Club. This will not be passable till the lake fills up. Meanwhile, hikers will need to access the trails using the Wilderness Parkway entrance, or worm their way around the Swim Club onto the Jeep trail.



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