

| DATE | LAKE WILDWOOD OUTBREAK EVENT |
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| 7/1/2017 | <p>Press Release dated 10/13/2017 - Nevada County HHS - Public Department</p> <p>https://www.mynevadacounty.com/DocumentCenter/View/21574/10-13-17-Lake-Wildwood-Beaches-Remain-Closed-No-Swim-Advisory-Expanded-PDF?bidId=</p> <p>Lake Wildwood Beaches Remain Closed and the No-Swim Advisory is Expanded HHS received reports of E.coli (STEC)-caused illnesses evolving into an E. coli O157:H7 outbreak at Lake Wildwood (LW).</p> |
| 7/30/2017 | <p>Initial E.coli Outbreak</p> <p>SACRAMENTO BEE E. coli outbreak sickens four, closes beach https://www.sacbee.com/news/local/article164435232.html</p> <p>“E. coli are bacteria found in the environment, foods and intestines of people and animals. Some strains can cause diarrhea, while others cause urinary tract infections, respiratory illnesses, pneumonia and other illnesses, reports the Centers for Disease Control.”</p> |
| 8/14/2017 | <p>Sewage Leak detected</p> <p>CBS 13 Sacramento</p> <p>Weeks After E. Coli Problems, Sewage Slips Into Lake Wildwood https://sacramento.cbslocal.com/2017/08/14/lake-wildwood-sewage/</p> <p>“While the sewage spill sounds ominous on the heels of the E. coli-on-the-shore incident, Nevada County officials are downplaying the incident. “It was quickly contained,” noted Amy Irani, Director of the county’s Environmental Health Department. “It also occurred about a mile from the public beaches and is a relatively small amount, likely to dissipate in the hundreds of thousands of gallons of water it would flow through before making its way to shore.” “The timing isn’t helpful,” noted Mariani, “and I suppose property values may take a dip.”</p> <p>“....the specific cause of the coliform bacteria has yet to be determined. “It could have been animal waste, from geese or deer, it could have come from a soiled diaper or even picnic food that may have been tainted,” Environmental Health Director Irani says the county has been consulting with the federal Centers For Disease and Prevention in hopes of tracking down the source.”</p> |
| August/early Sept 2017 | <p>Press Release dated 10/13/2017 - Nevada County HHS</p> <p>Lake Wildwood Beaches Remain Closed and the No-Swim Advisory is Expanded</p> <p>Elevated levels of fecal coliforms in LW water. Water & sediment samples sent to CDC for more advanced testing. CDC test results indicate that STEC O157, a potentially deadly pathogen, was identified both in the water and submerged sediment in two separate locations. Testing showed STEC carried genetic markers from geese. STEC was isolated from a sample of goose scat near one of the two locations.</p> |

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| 10/1/2017 | <p>Press Release dated 10/13/2017 - Nevada County HHS</p> <p>Nevada County received additional test results from California Department of Public health. These results indicate that water samples taken from another part of the lake (near to where the Lake Wildwood Creed feeds into LW) tested positive for STEC 0157, but it appears ot be unrelated ot the outbreak strain. This means that TWO strains of pathogen that can cause serious illness have not been identified in water in sediment samples taken from LW.</p> <p>The five public beaches at LW remain closed.</p> <p>Environmental investigation continues "to determine the source" of contamination.</p> |
| 10/13/2017 | <p>Lake Wildwood Beaches Remain Closed and the No-Swim Advisory is Expanded https://yubanet.com/regional/lake-wildwood-beaches-remain-closed-and-the-no-swim-advisory-is-expanded/</p> <p>"More recently Nevada County received additional test results from the California Department of Public Health. <i>These results indicate that water samples taken from another part of the lake (near to where the Lake Wildwood Creek feeds into Lake Wildwood) tested positive for STEC 0157, but it appears to be unrelated to the outbreak strain.</i> This means that two strains of a pathogen that can cause serious illness have now been identified in water and sediment samples taken from Lake Wildwood."</p> |
| 6/15/2018 | <p>Case #CU18-083052 Nevada County Superior Court https://www.theunion.com/news/local-news/nevada-county-nid-lake-wildwood-association-sued-over-e-coli/</p> <p>Sullivan, et.al v. Lake Wildwood Assoc, Nevada County Sanitation District, Nevada County, Nevada Irrigation District OPEN - Case pending</p> <p>The suit states the sanitation district's employees were negligent in their maintenance of its waters and infrastructure, and failed to properly inspect for E. coli.</p> <p>"It is alleged that these failures led to the introduction of sewage, E. coli, and other contaminants, into Lake Wildwood such that it presented an unsafe and dangerous condition, leading to the subject E. coli outbreak," the lawsuit states.</p> <p>The suit also claims that E. coli entered Lake Wildwood because of the unsafe and improper design of its pipelines and water-moving equipment.</p> <p>The suit makes no specific mention of geese. Mariani in a June memorandum said tests have indicated a circumstantial link between geese droppings and the E. coli outbreak that sickened people.</p> |
| 7/11/2018 | <p>Article The Union Lake Wildwood has started the process of removing up to 75 geese https://www.theunion.com/news/local-news/lake-wildwood-has-started-the-process-of-removing-up-to-75-geese/</p> <p>We've got a goose population that comes and goes," said John Bowman, general manager of the Lake of the Pines Association. "Goose poop on the walkways is not unheard of."</p> <p>Lake of Pines opted to test its waters when Lake Wildwood had its E. coli outbreak. Bowman said any body of water has bacteria. However, his association had no dangerous levels and had no reason to close its beaches.</p> <p>"But it hasn't risen to a problem where we've had to take any action," he said.</p> |

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| 7/12/2018 | <p>Article Lake Wildwood Geese, CBS13</p> <p>https://sacramento.cbslocal.com/2018/07/12/lake-wildwood-geese-euthanized/</p> <p>"Some residents call that outrageous saying there is no direct connection to the E. Coli outbreak that sickened some children visiting last year and the geese.</p> <p>Area resident Romie Pratt opposes the plan. "I swam in there every day last summer and not once did I get sick."</p> <p>The association says it's tested the water time and time again and admits there has not been a proven link between the E. Coli outbreak and the geese. So why go through with killing the geese?"</p> |
| 7/12/2018 | <p>Article FOX40, (Protesters)</p> <p>Dozens of Geese to be Euthanized Amid E. coli Outbreaks in Lake Wildwood</p> <p>https://fox40.com/news/local-news/dozens-of-geese-to-be-euthanized-after-e-coli-outbreaks-in-nevada-county/</p> <p>"But what protesters were mad about is who's getting the blame for the bacteria.</p> <p>"It is very difficult for them to find the source of the E. coli," said Kelcie Leach, an adoption manager at Animal Place. "It's not from the geese that they know of. So the reasons that they're killing the geese are unjustified."</p> <p>Either way, they didn't want the geese to die.</p> <p>"Nobody has addressed the sewage problem. We have thousands and tens of thousands of sewage leaks that have occurred in at least the two years that I have lived here," said one protester. "It's unacceptable. It's unsafe."</p> |
| 5/24/2019 | <p>Press Release - Nevada County HHS - Public Health</p> <p>https://www.mynevadacounty.com/DocumentCenter/View/27821/52719-Lake-Wildwood-eColi-Update-PSA--May-2019-Final-PDF?bidId=</p> <p>"The original source of that 2017 outbreak strain HAS NOT yet been determined and at this point is unlikely to be."</p> |