



South Suburban PARKS AND RECREATION

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South Suburban Park and Recreation District Monitoring Cherry Knolls Pond

Park rangers with South Suburban Park and Recreation District discovered some dead fish in Cherry Knolls Pond on Tuesday and contacted Colorado Parks & Wildlife to study the problem. A state fish biologist with Colorado Parks & Wildlife conducted a water sample test and determined there is no virus in the pond.

Today it was confirmed that a compressor on the pond's aerator was malfunctioning, which affected oxygen levels in the pond. Oxygen depletion in the pond is attributable to the fish dying. The aerator will be repaired within the next 24 to 48 hours.

The situation is mainly affecting carp. The pond is on a yearly stocking schedule, and Colorado Parks & Wildlife will be restocking it on a future date when it has been determined that the pond will sustain fish. District park rangers and other staff will continue to monitor the site and remove fish on an on-going basis. Cherry Knolls Pond is located in Cherry Knolls Park, 7077 S. Elizabeth St., Centennial.

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