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PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

NOTICE OF ELEVATED *E. COLI* BACTERIA LEVELS AND SWIM ADVISORY

Date: September 4, 2026

Location: Walleye Park, Lake Cypress Springs, Texas

The Franklin County Water District's ("FCWD") third-party consultant, Water Monitoring Solutions, Inc., completed a routine water monitoring and sampling event and collected water samples at ten (10) different locations around Lake Cypress Springs (the "Lake") to assess *E. coli* bacteria levels.

LAB RESULTS INDICATE THAT THE *E. COLI* BACTERIA LEVELS AT WALLEYE PARK ARE ELEVATED—435 MPN PER 100 ML—AND EXCEED SAFETY STANDARDS FOR SWIMMING AND PRIMARY CONTACT RECREATION. All other locations around the Lake are at or below normal *E. coli* bacteria levels.

Accordingly, and out of an abundance of caution, FCWD strongly advises as follows until further notice:

- **AVOID PRIMARY CONTACT RECREATION AT, NEAR, OR AROUND WALLEYE PARK.** Avoid participating in recreational activities that could result in the total submersion of the head underwater or the accidental ingestion of Lake water, including swimming, wading, water skiing, diving, tubing, surfing, and handfishing.
- **SWIM AT YOUR OWN RISK AT, NEAR, OR AROUND WALLEYE PARK.** If you choose to enter the Lake, you do so AT YOUR SOLE AND ABSOLUTE RISK.
- DO NOT drink or ingest Lake water and DO NOT swim in the Lake if you have open cuts, sores, or a weakened immune system, as doing so increases the risk of illness and/or infection.

Please be advised that voluntary entry into or upon the Lake or any other District Property, including, but not limited to, Walleye Park, by any party shall be at the SOLE AND ABSOLUTE RISK of such entering party and shall constitute an express waiver and release of all claims against FCWD, same to include its Board of Directors, agents, representatives, employees, and contractors, for any and all injuries, damages, or losses. FCWD shall not be liable to any party for any injury, damage, or loss of any kind or nature whatsoever.

FCWD will continue to actively monitor and test the water at the Lake. This Notice will remain in full force and effect until subsequent laboratory samples show that *E. coli* bacteria levels have returned to safe, acceptable limits across the entire Lake.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

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