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## **BAILY'S POND AT FUJI PARK Re-Opening**

Carson City, Nevada –

Recently Baily's Pond at Fuji Park was temporarily closed due to what appeared to be a natural occurring event, often found in marsh and wetland environments, was observed and reported in the water on January 29th. As a precautionary measure and to ensure the health and safety of park users and wildlife, the pond was temporarily closed for water quality testing.

The results confirmed that the reddish or brownish slime material in the water and along the edge of the pond was indeed from iron bacteria. Iron bacteria present no threat to human health. They are found naturally in soils and water in low numbers and thrive when iron becomes available. They do create an oily sheen, which comes from the decomposing bacteria cells, and is often mistaken for petroleum sheens.

Baily's Pond will be open on Friday, March 9<sup>th</sup>, from this temporary closure. The pond still may close from time to time weather pending. For questions please call David Navarro at 887-2262.

*Fuji Park is located at 601 Old Clear Creek Rd in south Carson City and is opened from sunrise to sunset. Fuji Park is owned by Carson City and managed by the Parks, Recreation and Open Space Department. The Department's mission is to provide exceptional parks, open space and diverse recreational opportunities to enhance the quality of life in Carson City, while preserving our natural resources for future generations.*

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