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Hello, I have been paddling on the Vancouver lake for the last 4 years. The lakes health has severely declined. You use to be able to swim in it during the summer months. The Severity of the bacteria and plant growth with in the lake are killing it. Along with the fact that port is doing nothing to allow fresh water to enter the lake from lake river. The lake was closed much of July and part of August with health advisories. Promises to spray the milfoil which is robbing the lake of oxygen has gone with out action.

The lake has lowered to alarming levels, and the port is planning on building a berm preventing even less adequate fresh water into the lake. They are claiming the berm is to help the bird population while killing the lake and the fish in it. I know the lake water made a few people and animals sick this past summer from e-coli and high levels of other bacteria.