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NEW UPDATE – Cascade Lake

Hampstead, MD, Monday, July 30, 2018 –The removal of water from Cascade Lake continued over the weekend and is ongoing. The water level in the lake will continue to be reduced until it is at a safe level where the dam can be breached; however the dam remains a hazard until the breach is completed. Plans to conduct a controlled breach of the dam are being developed by the property owner's engineers. The plans will be reviewed and approved by the Maryland Department of the environment's Division of Dam Safety. Once approved, permits will be issued and work can begin. Updates will be provided as they become available.

The weather forecast this week calls for the potential of thunderstorms daily, which may result in additional water entering the lake. Monitoring of the weather and dam condition will be ongoing.

Immediate threats of flooding are reduced in areas downstream including the Tributary of the East Branch of the Patapsco River. Residents along this stream should still be prepared for large amounts of water flowing downstream while the water in the lake is being reduced.

Current closed roads:

The Carroll County Department of Public Works has closed Snydersburg Road between Cape Horn Road and Hampstead Mexico Road (Maryland Route 482) due to the emergency condition at Cascade Lake. This closure will last until the emergency condition has been addressed. Detour routes have been posted.

Carroll County appreciates the public's patience and cooperation with any travel delays or difficulties that this roadway closure may cause.

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The Americans with Disabilities Act applies to the Carroll County Government and its programs, services, activities, and facilities. Anyone requiring an auxiliary aid or service for effective communication or who has a complaint should contact The Department of Citizen Services, 410.386.3600 or 1.888.302.8978 or MD Relay 7-1-1/1.800.735.2258 or email ada@ccg.carr.org as soon as possible but no later than 72 hours before the scheduled event.