

Drought taking toll on Washoe Lake fish

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Three years of drought is taking its toll on Washoe Lake. The water is a few hundred yards away from the boat dock, where the water used to reach. That is leaving behind nothing but a muddy mess and thousands of dead fish.

Chris Healy is a spokesman for the Nevada Division of Wildlife. He says the lake's water has receded much more quickly in the past few weeks.

"This kind of thing happens, periodically, at Washoe Lake," Healy said. "Unfortunately, all too often in the past couple of decades."

The fish line the old shoreline for hundreds of yards down the east side of the lake. Almost all of them are carp, and Healy says if they are dying, you know it's a bad situation.

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