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**NEWS RELEASE**

*For immediate release*

### **SWIMMING PROHIBITED - LAKE MASSAWIPPI BEACHES**

Samples taken on August 7<sup>th</sup> by the *Ministère de l'Environnement, de la Lutte contre les changements climatiques, de la Faune et des Parcs* - Programme Environnement Plage, of bathing water at certain locations on Lake Massawippi have shown significant bacteriological contamination and have been classified as category D (polluted).

As a precautionary measure, we have decided to close the public beaches of Lake Massawippi until further notice. We would also like to call for vigilance on the part of boaters and local residents who swim on the lake. Although the boat ramps remain open for the lowering of boats, it is also recommended to restrict as much as possible any nautical activity where there would be more contact with the water.

We invite the public to stay tuned to communications in the coming days to follow the evolution of the situation, via their respective municipal Facebook pages and websites.

Thank you for your usual cooperation,

Patrick Clowery  
President  
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