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Divers to Survey Central Park and Silver Lake Reservoirs

Divers Launched from Small Boats Will Inspect and Survey **Both Reservoirs to Inform Planning for Capital Upgrades**

Central Park and Silver Lake Reservoir are not Part of City's **Potable Water Supply System**

The New York City Department of Environmental Protection today announced that small boats and divers will be on Central Park and Silver Lake Reservoirs this week to conduct regular inspections and surveys. The work, which has been coordinated with the Central Park Conservancy and NYC Parks, is part of regular dam safety inspections and will inform planning for future capital upgrades. The work at Central Park Reservoir will take place on Tuesday, August 21, Thursday, August 23 and Friday, August 24. A boat and divers will be working at Silver Lake Reservoir on Wednesday, August 22. Neither Central Park Reservoir nor Silver Lake Reservoir is part of the City 's potable water supply system.

DEP manages New York City's water supply, providing more than 1 billion gallons of water each day to more than 9.6 million residents, including 8.6 million in New York City. The water is delivered from a watershed that extends more than 125 miles from the city, comprising 19 reservoirs and three controlled lakes. Approximately 7,000 miles of water mains, tunnels and aqueducts bring water to homes and businesses throughout the five boroughs, and 7,500 miles of sewer lines and 96 pump stations take wastewater to 14 in-city treatment plants. DEP has nearly 6,000 employees, including almost 1,000 in the upstate watershed. In addition, DEP has a robust capital program, with a planned \$19.4 billion in investments over the next 10 years that will create up to 3,000 constructionrelated jobs per year. For more information, visit nyc.gov/dep, like us on Facebook, or follow us on Twitter.

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