



Milton Reservoir Water Quality Report



April 13, 2026

Water Summary

Milton Reservoir is sampled twice a month between March and October and monthly between November and February. The Barr Lake and Milton Reservoir Watershed Association coordinates all the efforts to monitor, test, and improve the water quality in Milton. Regular lake sampling started in 2002.

April – Milton Reservoir was well mixed due to sustaining winds. The clearing of Milton also means low oxygen levels and pH below 8.0. Water levels have been at 8.0 meters for the past six weeks. Recreation season is open for Milton. The boat ramp and dock were installed and ready for the 2026 boating season. Dredging equipment is still on the east side of the reservoir and has not been installed in the lake yet. It looks like they are repairing equipment.



Watershed News

Keep your eyes out for the 2026 BMW watershed tour. The annual tour is in June, and we plan to have a stakeholder meeting along with the tour. These tours give folks an opportunity to learn and see new parts of the watershed.

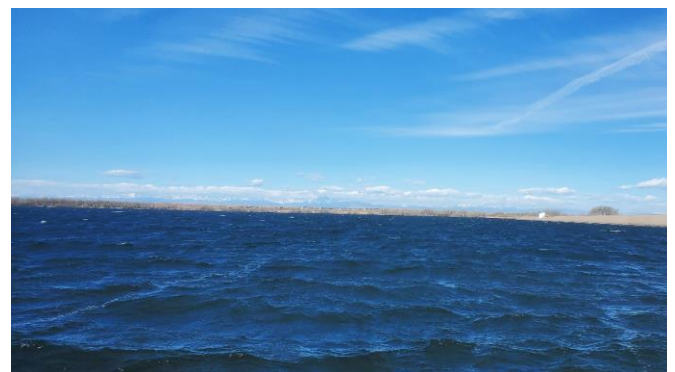
BARR LAKE AND MILTON RESERVOIR ASSOCIATION

The BMW Association's mission is to improve the water quality by encouraging cooperation, involvement, and awareness with people living near and upstream of Barr Lake and Milton Reservoir.

You can learn more about the lakes and what is going on in the watershed by going to www.barr-milton.org.

Contact Sami Miller, watershed coordinator, at miller.sami@outlook.com.

Cooperation, Involvement, and Awareness



Water Quality Stats (as of 04-13-26)

Maximum Depth: 26.2 feet (dam outlet) Water Temperature: 55.6° F (taken 3 feet below surface)

Water Clarity: 9.5 feet (≥ 3 feet is good) Dissolved Oxygen: 65.7% (>80% is good)

pH: 7.89 (between 6 and 9 is good) Chlorophyll-a: <5.0 ppb (How green, ≤ 25 is good)

