

## HARRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 500

**TO:** Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 501  
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**DATE:** July 12, 2017

**RE:** Wildlife Management in Harris County MUD 500 Lakes

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In recent months, MUD 500 received reports of beavers and Egyptian geese in its lakes and contracted with a wildlife pest professional to remove them. In April 2017, MUD 500 received a report that an alligator was sighted in Towne Lake. MUD 500 obtained a nuisance control permit from the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (required by State law to remove an alligator) and requested that its contractor search for and remove any alligator that might be present in its lakes.

Early last week, MUD 500's contractor caught and removed a 5' 10" male alligator in the southern portion of MUD 500's lakes. The contractor believes that the alligator likely entered the lakes during a large rain event when Cypress Creek overflowed into the lakes. The contractor does not believe there are any additional alligators in the lakes, but the Houston area is a natural habitat for various wildlife, including alligators. MUD 500's contractor will continue to monitor the lakes for any evidence of additional alligators and take steps to remove them if any are found.

MUD 500 requests that residents report any sightings of alligators to its operator, Environmental Development Partners, at (832) 467-1599. MUD 500 encourages your district to share this information with your residents.

Sincerely,



Marilyn Roberts  
President, MUD 500