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St. Petersburg Mourns Popular Lake's Disappearance

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The mysterious disappearance of a reservoir an hour's drive from St. Petersburg has baffled local residents.

Images on social media show an archipelago in place of Lazurnoye Ozero (Azure Lake), a popular weekend getaway for city dwellers measuring roughly 200 meters by 200 meters.

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“Unfortunately, Azure Lake decreased significantly in size and swimming there won’t be as comfortable as it was last season,” its operator announced in May.

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Comments on the sanatorium's social media page lamented the lake's disappearance, with one user writing last week "it's even sadder there without water."

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Another user speculated that the water may have been pumped out of the reservoir for the construction of a nearby quarry.

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