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## City: Residents should use caution amid low river levels near Monterey Dam

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Mud is exposed in the Monterey lagoon. The river near the dam has dropped about two feet following demolition of the dam, which started last week. [Buy Now](#)

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The city of Janesville urged caution and asked people to refrain from going out on “exposed sandbars” in low-water areas of the Rock River exposed by the removal of the Monterey Dam.

In an alert Thursday from the Janesville Police Department, the city said people might notice “debris and refuse” in the river in the area where the Monterey Dam’s removal has caused water levels to be drawn down.

A river cleanup is planned later this year, according to the alert, but it did not announce a date for the event.

Janesville Fire Department Battalion Chief Chris Lukas said Thursday afternoon that the fire department has had no emergency calls to the Monterey Dam area or other shallow areas of the Rock River this week. Lukas said the exposed mud flats have been a “concern” for the department.

The alert also warned residents they might notice “odors” in areas where the water has receded.

“It is anticipated that any odor may last around two weeks,” according to the notice.

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