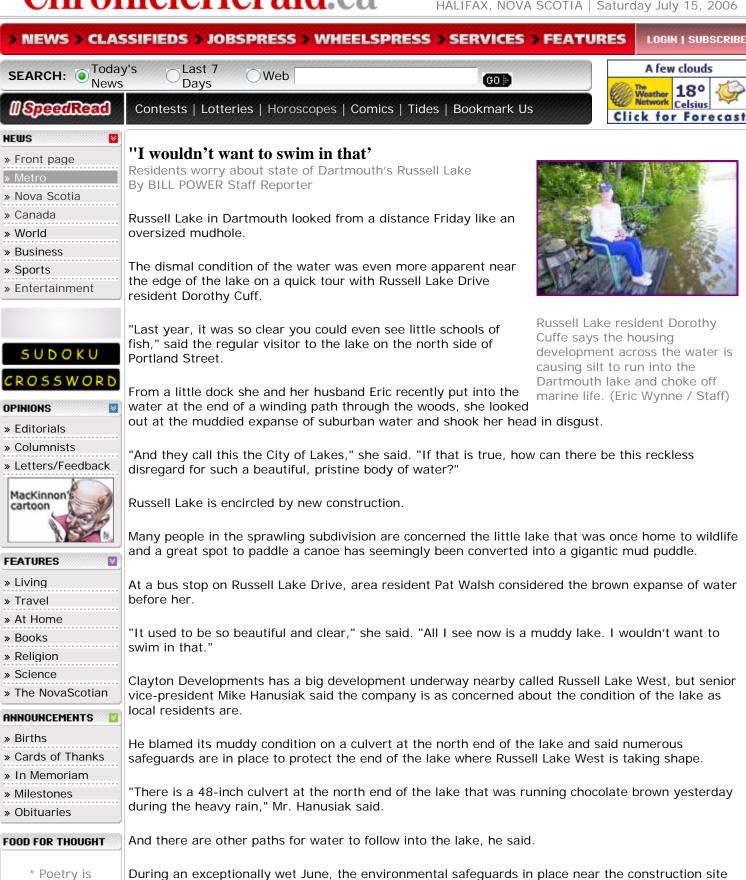
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demonstrated their effectiveness, he said.

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most distilled and most powerful. "

Rita Dove

Concern over the state of the lake Friday prompted Clayton Developments to bring in divers to check the safeguards, which include a series of detention ponds and some protective booms near the edge of the lake.

"We know it is not our development that is the source of the discolouration, but at the same time we're very concerned about it," Mr. Hanusiak said.

Provincial and municipal environment inspectors were at the scene in mid-afternoon and an investigation was continuing.

Deborah Story, a spokeswoman for Halifax Regional Municipality, said inspectors believe wind and heavy rain contributed to the muddying of Russell Lake.

"We're watching and monitoring the situation very carefully," she said.

Coun. Bill Karsten (Portland-East Woodlawn) said investigators implicated an entry point at the north end of the lake, and not the Russell Lake West development, as the source of the discolouring sediment.

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