

Health Alerts for Two Area SE Nebraska Lakes

(KLZA)--A health alert has been issued for Kirkman's Cove Lake near Humboldt due to the presence of toxic blue-green algae.

The Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality said Friday it added the lake after water samples earlier in the week were above the state's health alert threshold.

The Department says the alert will continue for at least two more weeks, because lakes that are on health alert must have two consecutive weeks of readings below the threshold before the alert is discontinued.

Meanwhile, the health alert for Iron Horse Trail Lake near DuBois in Pawnee County continues..

When a health alert is issued, signs are posted to advise the public to use caution and designated swimming beaches are closed during the alert.

Recreational boating and fishing are permitted, but the public is advised to use caution and avoid exposure to the water, particularly avoiding any activity that could lead to swallowing the water. Do not let pets get in the water or drink from the lake. People can still use the public areas for camping, picnics and other outdoor activities.

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