Public Health Warning Issued for Local Lake

(KNZA)--A public health warning has been issued for the Brown State Fishing Lake due to the presence of high levels of toxic blue-green algae.

The Kansas Department of Health and Environment, in conjunction with the Kansas Department of Wildlife, Parks and Tourism, announced Thursday that the lake is among ten lakes in the state that have been placed under "warning" status.

Also on the list is the Hiawatha City Lake and zone A of Perry Lake.

KDHE says activities such as boating and fishing may be safe. However, direct contact with the water is strongly discouraged for people, pets and livestock.

Fish can be eaten as long as they are rinsed with clean water. However, you should consume only the fillet portion and discard all other parts.

KDHE will continue to monitor the lakes and will provide updates as conditions warrant.

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