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Public health warnings lifted for 3 local lakes

(KNZA)--Public health warnings have been lifted for three local northeast Kansas lakes.

The Kansas Department of Health and Environment, in a news release Thursday, said the Atchison County Lake, Hiawatha City Lake and Holton's Elk Horn Lake are no longer under warnings due to blue-green algae.

However, Lake Jeanette in Leavenworth County remains under "warning" status.

Five lakes in the state are currently under health warnings and six under watches due to the presence of blue-green algae.

For lakes under warnings, KDHE says direct contact with the water should be avoided.

Fish may be eaten if they are rinsed with clean water. However, only the fillet portion should be consumed and all other parts are discarded.

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