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Hiawatha Lake Remains On Advisory List for Algae

WICHITA, Kan. (AP)—Health officials say five Kansas lakes—including the Hiawatha City Lake--will remain on warning and advisory lists for harmful blooms of toxic algae until sampling resumes next year.

The Kansas Department of Health and Environment said Thursday sampling for blue-green algae typically is done between April 1 and Oct. 31. Health advisories or warnings were issued for 24 lakes this season, with two confirmed cases of human illnesses.

An advisory discouraging water contact remains in place for the Hiawatha City lake and three other lakes in the state.

A warning remains in place for Logan City Lake in Phillips County, meaning direct contact with the water is prohibited.

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