

Health alerts issued for SE NE lakes

(KLZA)-- Health alerts have been issued for two area lakes by the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services.

Health alerts due to Harmful Algal Blooms, also known as toxic blue-green algae have been issued for Duck Creek Lake in Nemaha County and Iron Horse Trail Lake in Pawnee County.

Water samples taken last week measured above the threshold of 8 parts per billion of total microcystin which is a toxin released by certain strains of blue-green algae.

The public is advised to use caution at these lakes, and the designated swimming beaches are closed during the alert.

Recreational boating and fishing are permitted, but you should 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. Public areas are still open for camping, picnics and other outdoor activities.

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