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#### Public Health Advisory Issued for Hiawatha City Lake

( KNZA )--A public health advisory has been issued for the Hiawatha City Lake due to the presence of toxic blue-green algae.

The Kansas Department of Health and Environment says a public health advisory indicates a hazardous condition exists. Water activities like boating and fishing may be safe. However, direct contact with the water is strongly discouraged for people, pets and livestock.

KDHE says fish meant for consumption should be cleaned, and only the fillet portion should be consumed.

Signs have been posted at the lake informing the public of the health advisory.

Meanwhile, a public health warning remains in place for Atchison's Warnock Lake due to high levels of toxic blue-green algae. A public health warning indicates that water conditions are unsafe and direct water contact is prohibited.

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

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