

Three local NE KS lakes under health advisories

**(KNZA)--Three local northeast Kansas lakes remain under public health advisories due to the presence of blue-green algae.**

**The Kansas Department of Health and Environment, in a news release Thursday, said the Hiawatha City Lake remains under “warning” status, while Horton’s Mission Lake and Elkhorn Lake at Holton’s Rafters Park remain under “watch” status.**

**Sixteen lakes in the state are currently under “warning” status due to blue-green algae. KDHE says direct contact with the water should be avoided. Fish may be eaten if they are rinsed. However, only the fillet portion should be consumed and all other parts discarded.**

**Eight lakes in the state are currently under “watch” status. People are encouraged to avoid areas of algae accumulation and keep pets and livestock away from the water. Fish should be cleaned well with potable water and only the fillet portion eaten.**

**KDHE will continue to monitor the lakes.**

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