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## DCR Recreational Advisory: Cyanobacteria Bloom in the Charles River

WHAT:

The Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) is warning the public of a cyanobacteria bloom present in the Charles River downstream of Massachusetts Avenue/Harvard Bridge in the City of Boston. During a bloom it is strongly advised that the public should not have contact with the water, including boating. Additionally, pet owners should keep their animals away from the shoreline to prevent them from ingesting the water. The waterbody will be retested until cyanobacteria levels are within acceptable limits per Department of Public Health (DPH) guidelines. For questions regarding cyanobacteria blooms, please contact the DPH at (617) 624-5757 or visit the agency's algae webpage.

WHERE: Charles River downstream of Massachusetts Avenue/Harvard Bridge in the

City of Boston

**WHEN:** Effective immediately – until further notice

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