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## Update: DCR Recreational Advisory: Cyanobacteria Bloom in Lake Cochituate

## WHAT:

The Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) is warning the public of a cyanobacteria bloom present in the Snake Brook portion of Lake Cochituate between North and Middle Ponds in the Town of Natick. During a bloom it is strongly advised that the public should not have contact with the water. 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 <u>webpage</u>.

DCR also recently announced a cyanobacteria bloom in the Middle Pond portion of Lake Cochituate.

- WHERE: Middle Pond portion of Lake Cochituate in the Town of Natick
- WHEN: Effective immediately until further notice

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