Cyanobacteria Resources for Conservation Commissions

Report a Bloom: Take pictures and email HAB@des.nh.gov. Include the following in your report:

- Your full name and phone number.
- Waterbody name.
- Waterbody town.
- The location of the bloom within the waterbody. Landmarks can be helpful.
- Description of the bloom severity and dimensions.
- The date and time when you observed the bloom.
- Weather conditions
- Photos, both close up and showing the extent of the bloom.
- Any other notes that may help describe the situation

If you are comfortable and can do so safely, take a sample and drop it off at NHDES.

Current Beach and Cyanobacteria Advisories: https://www4.des.state.nh.us/WaterShed_BeachMaps/

NHDES Beach Advisories Twitter Feed: https://twitter.com/NHDES_Beaches

Join the NHDES Beach and Cyanobacteria email list: linked at the bottom of the page at https://www4.des.state.nh.us/WaterShed_BeachMaps/

Bloom and water quality history for a specific lake – search for the lake on the map at https://nhdes.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=1f45dc20877b4b959239b8a4a60ef540

Background information about cyanobacteria and NHDES's cyanobacteria program: https://www.des.nh.gov/water/healthy-swimming/harmful-algal-blooms

Information on Phosphorus and lake health:

https://www.des.nh.gov/sites/g/files/ehbemt341/files/documents/2020-01/bb-20.pdf

604(b) Water Quality Planning Grants: https://www.des.nh.gov/business-and-community/loans-and-grants/watershed-assistance

Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Loans: https://www.des.nh.gov/business-and-community/loans-and-grants/drinking-water-state-revolving-fund

Surface Water State Revolving Fund Loans: https://www.des.nh.gov/business-and-community/loans-and-grants/clean-water-state-revolving-fund

LakeSmart Program: https://nhlakes.org/lakesmart/ Soak Up The Rain: https://www4.des.state.nh.us/SoakNH/

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