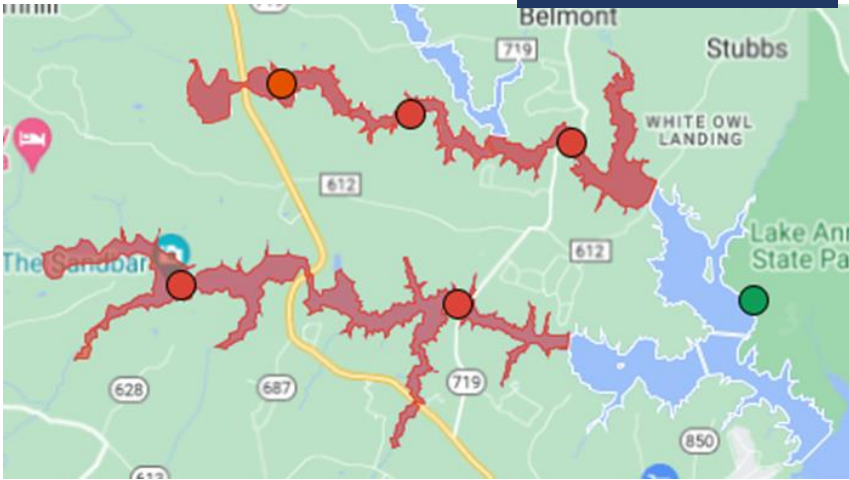


Lake Anna HAB Status Report – Advisory Extended in North Anna Branch; Pamunkey Branch Advisory Added

Issued: Monday 7/22/2024

Next Issue: on or about week of 8/26/2024 (weather dependent)




Sample Date: 7/16/24



HELPFUL TIP:

Visit www.SwimHealthyVA.com and click on the Harmful Algae Bloom Map to review sample results near you!

Expand the map using the symbol in the upper right hand map title bar, then click on the magnifying glass. You can search by location name or address.

-  Harmful algal (cyanobacteria) concentrations at unsafe levels
-  Algal concentrations at acceptable levels
-  Lake area of HAB swimming advisory

Samples collected 7/16/24 at 3 sites on the Pamunkey Branch and 2 sites in the North Anna Branch of Lake Anna indicated a cyanobacteria bloom with cell concentrations at unsafe levels. The sample collected at Lake Anna State Park contained results that were acceptable. The HAB map and this status report have been updated and are posted at www.SwimHealthyVA.com. The next sample event is anticipated for on or about the week of August 19 (weather dependent).

NPS

**I DIDN'T KNOW THAT!
Harmful Algal Blooms**

Some species of algae are toxic to humans, pets, wildlife, and the environment. When these algae bloom, it's called a **harmful algal bloom (HAB)**.

When in doubt, stay out!

Sunny days, warm water, and increased nutrients are the perfect recipe to grow algae. HABs can occur in freshwater or saltwater.

Avoid contact with algae.

Wash with soap and clean water if you come in contact.

Don't eat fish or shellfish from the water.

Don't let pets drink the water or eat algal mats.

Do not drink. Boiling or filtering this water will not make this water safe.

Contact your physician or veterinarian if you or your pet have unexplained illness.

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For more information or to report an algae bloom visit www.SwimHealthyVA.com

To report a HAB-related illness contact the HAB Hotline at 888-238-6154.

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