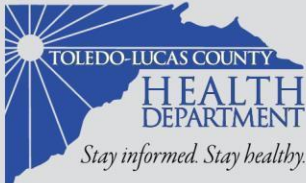


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**Recreational Public Health Advisory Lifted**

The Toledo-Lucas County Health Department has lifted the health advisory issued on September 21, 2017, for the Maumee River. Water monitoring has confirmed that the blue-green algae bloom is no longer present.

Health officials advise recreational visitors to always be alert to signs of algae blooms in all public waters. People and their pets should avoid areas where the water is foamy, scummy, thick like paint, pea-green, blue-green or brownish red in color, if a thick mat of blue-green algae is visible in the water. If you observe these signs in the water you are encouraged to avoid activities that cause you to swallow water or inhale droplets, such as swimming or high-speed water activities.

For health information, to report human or pet illnesses due to blooms, or to ask questions about a news release, contact the Toledo-Lucas County Health Department at 419.213.4100, extension 3.

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