## IS THAT CYANOBACTERIA?

# PLEASE HELP US IDENTIFY POTENTIAL BLOOM FORMATIONS IN OUR WATERBODIES!













Are you seeing something different than the pictures above? Filamentous algae, pollen and didymo can sometimes be confused with cyanobacteria.







Please note that not all cyanobacteria blooms look alike and are often mixed in with pollen or other algae. This document is to be used for general guidance only. If you suspect a bloom please stay out of the water. NHDES advises lake users and their pets to avoid contact with the water in areas experiencing elevated cyanobacteria cell conditions.



### Take a Photo

Record Location/Date/Time

## IF YOU SUSPECT CYANOBACTERIA

Send Info to LWA and NHDES

The Lake Winnipesaukee Association (LWA) is one of many organizations collaborating with NHDES to monitor for cyanobacteria. Use the information listed below to determine the correct contact person for your waterbody.

LWA and NHDES will collaborate to confirm Cyanobacteria AND Observation is added to the LWA
Cyano Tracking Map

CR LWA and NHDES confirm the observation was not cyanobacteria (no further action needed)

NHDES and LWA coordinate a sample collection

NHDES analyzes the sample and tests cell concentration If cell concentrations are ≥ 70,000 cells/mL ADVISORY ISSUED

#### **Contact Information**

#### Lake Winnipesaukee

Bree Rossiter brossiter@winnipesaukee.org | 603-581-6632

#### Lake Kanasatka

Lisa Hutchinson LKWAWatershedPlan@gmail.com | Message LKWA on Facebook

#### Lake Waukewan | Lake Winona | Hawkins Pond

Janan Hays jhays@northstarnh.com| 603-229-9562

#### Lake Wentworth | Crescent Lake | Sargents Pond

Julie Brown executivedirector@wentworthwatershed.org | 603-534-0222

#### NHDES: Harmful Algal Bloom Program

Kate Hastings HAB@des.nh.gov | 603-848-8094

#### **AND**

Information is added to the NHDES Beach Advisory Map

NHDES contacts Town Officials and LWA with the Results

Advisory remains in effect until cell concentrations subside

OR

If cell concentrations are < 70,000 cells/mL ALERT

Please Note: Surface blooms can rapidly change and accumulate in various locations around a waterbody. Please continue to monitor your individual shorelines for changing conditions. NHDES advises lake users (and their pets) to avoid contact with the water in areas experiencing bloom conditions.

