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Coventry Lake Update

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Over the past number of days the Eastern Highlands Health District has fielded a number of reports of observed surface accumulations in isolated parts of the lake consistent with the waning cyanobacteria bloom. Some of these reports have been confirmed in the field by Health District staff. These isolated accumulations typically dissipate relatively quickly, pending field conditions.

While there is no public health advisory in place currently all **residents are reminded to observe the water before contacting the water, and before allowing pets to contact the water. Avoid contacting water that appears green (sometimes referred to as looking like spilled paint), or that has mats, films or scums accumulating on the surface.** Please also note that new signs have been posted around the lake reminding residents to look for these conditions.

For visual examples of the surface scum, mats, films, and other algae accumulations of interest, please see the photographic images within the CT DEEP document titled, “Frequently Asked Questions of Cyanobacteria Blooms in Freshwater Lakes and Ponds”. You can find this document and those images by following this link:

https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/DEEP/water/water_quality_management/cyanobacteria/Cyanobacteria-FAQ_June-3-2020.pdf

Please feel free to call the Health District at 860-429-3325 with any questions.