

Good Morning Everyone,

There has been a report of blue-green algae on McLeod Lake just up and across from "The Point" (AGA site).

Last year there was also mention of it up past Agnes Point.

Northern Health has been contacted.

In the meantime, the environmental officer stated that people can swim in the water that does not have visible blue-green algae blooms, but to wash afterwards. Also to note that it may cause itching and/or a rash. DO NOT drink the water from the lake. The algae usually takes care of itself with rain and/or wind.

Attached are some public health bulletins that give you further information.

<https://www.healthlinkbc.ca/.../docum.../healthfiles/hfile47.pdf>

If you have any further questions or concerns, or see accounts of blue-green algae or health risks to the public, please contact Environmental Health Officers directly at:

Contacts & Questions

Environmental Health Officers

The mission of Northern Health's Public Health Protection Program is to protect the health of northern communities in British Columbia through education and inspection strategies designed to reduce health risks to the public.

Environmental Health Officers, often called Public Health Inspectors, are vital members of the community health system. They safeguard the well-being of both the public and the environment by educating people about public health issues, monitoring facilities and development, and enforcing health legislation.

Complaints and Inquiries

Please note that Northern Health only responds to matters of public health; matters that affect the general public. Examples include sewage entering neighbouring properties from a failed septic system and food-borne illness outbreaks.

Contact your Local Environmental Health Office or Send us an email.

Email*: php@northernhealth.ca

*Please note that this email is checked once per day. Please call your local office regarding urgent matters.

Local Offices

Community: Phone:

Prince George 250-565-2150

MHO On-Call 250-565-2000

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