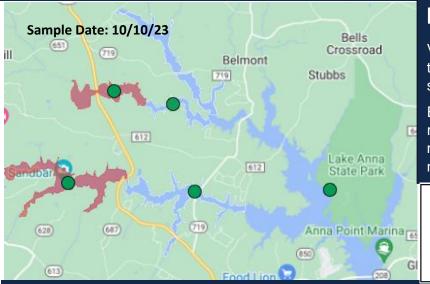
Lake Anna HAB Status Report - Advisory lifted for Middle North Anna Branch

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Final 2023 Report - Next Report, weather permitting May 2024



HELPFUL TIP:

Visit <u>www.SwimHealthyVA.com</u> 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

Monitoring at 4 sites by boat in Lake Anna above Rt. 208 and 1 site at the State Park beach occurred on 10/10/2023. All samples indicated acceptable levels of cyanobacteria with toxin results below advisory levels. This is the **second set** of acceptable samples within the **Middle North Anna Branch**. These results are the <u>first of two</u> acceptable samples collected for the upper North Anna and Pamunkey Branches. The recreational HAB response season is set to end on November 1, therefore, there will be no additional HAB response samples conducted this season. Fall and winter lake recreators should observe caution as blooms may appear as temperatures fluctuate as we go into the cold weather months. This is the final status update for the 2023 recreational season, with response sampling resuming May 2024, weather permitting. For more information, visit www.SwimHealthyVa.com.

When in Doubt, Stay Out!

Avoid swimming, fishing or letting your children or pets play in bodies of water that:

- Smell bad
- Look discolored
- Have foam, scum or algal mats on the surface

BE AWARE of Harmful Algae Blooms

Water quality is tested to determine if health risks may be present.

During an algae bloom, water may have surface scum, mats, or films with red, green, white streaks, or glops.



For more information or to report an algae bloom visit

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

