

North Fork Shenandoah River - Status Report – No HABs at this time

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● Harmful algae (cyanobacteria) concentrations are below advisory levels.

HELPFUL TIP:

Visit www.SwimHealthyVa.com 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 my location name or address!

Monitoring at 2 sites, the Chapman Reservoir Dam and Chapmans Landing Boat Ramp, by boat on the North Fork Shenandoah River occurred on 6/24/2024. All results indicated cyanobacteria and toxins were below advisory levels. The HAB map and this status report have been updated and are posted at www.SwimHealthyVa.com.

NPS

I DIDN'T KNOW THAT! Harmful Algal Blooms

Some species of algae are toxic to humans, pets, wildlife, and the environment. When these algae bloom, it's called a **harmful algal bloom (HAB)**.

Sunny days, warm water, and increased nutrients are the perfect recipe to **grow** algae. HABs can occur in **freshwater or saltwater**.

When in doubt, stay out!

Avoid contact with algae.

Wash with soap and clean water if you come in contact.

Don't eat fish or shellfish from the water.

Don't let pets drink the water or eat algal mats.

Do not drink. Boiling or filtering this water will not make this water safe.

Contact your physician or veterinarian if you or your pet have unexplained illness.

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For more information or to report an algae bloom visit www.SwimHealthyVA.com

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

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