

## News release

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### **Algae advisory lifted for South Tenmile Lake** *Health officials confirm reduced blue-green algae levels*

A health advisory prompted by high algae levels found in South Tenmile Lake, located 10 miles north of North Bend, was lifted today by the Oregon Health Authority's Public Health Division and Coos County Health Department officials. The advisory went into effect Aug. 25, 2011.

Water monitoring has confirmed reduced levels of blue-green algae that can produce toxins harmful to humans and animals.

These reduced levels are not likely to be associated with dangerous toxin concentrations in the water, according to World Health Organization guidelines.

Oregon health officials advise people who recreate in Oregon water bodies to always be alert to signs of algae blooms. People and their pets should avoid water contact if there are visible clumps of algae in the water.

For local information, contact the Tenmile Lake Basin Partnership, 541-759-2414.

For health information, contact the Harmful Algae Bloom Surveillance program at 971-673-0400 or [healthoregon.org/hab](http://healthoregon.org/hab); also contact Oregon Public Health's toll-free information line at 1-877-290-6767 or Coos County Health Department at 541-756-2020.

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