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WATER QUALITY ADVISORY RESCINDED Algae Bloom in the Goose Lake Non-Potable Water Source

On August 2, 2023 Greater Vernon Water (GVW) advised customers supplied by the Goose Lake non-potable water source (see map) that the presence of cyanobacteria, a harmful blue-green algae, was identified in the lake through routine sampling.

Recent sampling results indicate the water quality has returned to **normal**.

In Goose Lake, the occurrence of a harmful algae bloom is common and GVW is not always able to turn it off or guarantee timely treatment.

It is the customer's responsibility to provide a safe water supply for animals and livestock and ensure on-site non-potable water sources are clearly labeled on the property. Non-potable signage can be downloaded for free from www.rdno.ca/agwater (under the Non-Potable Water tab).

Additional information on Cyanobacteria Blooms (Blue-Green Algae) is available at HealthLinkBC: <https://www.healthlinkbc.ca/healthlinkbc-files/cyanobacteria-blooms-blue-green-algae>

Additional information on algae is available on the Ministry of Environment's Algae Watch website: <https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/environment/air-land-water/water/water-quality/algae-watch>

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