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Blue-Green Algae Alert Lifted at Elk Lake

Victoria, BC- The Capital Regional District (CRD) advises that the blue-green algae advisory is now lifted at **Elk Lake**, located in [Elk/Beaver Lake Regional Park](#). Samples collected at the beach indicated a “below detection limit” result for cyanotoxins. The extended absence of blue-green scum combined with test results are good indicators that the bloom is over.

Park users are reminded to watch for the distinctive blue-green sheen that can appear on the lake surface. Blue-green algae blooms are unpredictable and may occur at any time. These blue-green algae are known toxin producers. Ingesting water containing the blue-green algae may cause a range of symptoms, including headaches and abdominal pain in humans, and can lead to lethal liver damage in dogs.

To learn more about blue-green algae visit these sites:

- [Healthlink BC](#)
- [Health Canada](#)

[Elk/Beaver Lake Regional Park map \(PDF\)](#)

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