



## Canandaigua Lake Water Quality Update for August 14, 2019

We are beginning to receive reports of cyanobacteria (blue green algae) concentrations on the lake. Watershed Staff will be out in the field today to assess the situation. Our trained HABS volunteers are also providing reports from shoreline areas. As we learn more about the overall lake conditions, we will be providing water quality updates throughout the week.

So far, the reports have been from isolated occurrences, but conditions can change quickly.

Remember: Use visual cues to identify potential harmful algae blooms. They can appear like pea soup, spilled paint, globs, and parallel surface streaks. Visit the [DEC photo gallery](#) for examples.

If you see anything suspicious, avoid it. Remember that dogs are also susceptible to harmful algae blooms and should not enter the water in suspicious bloom areas.

If you see something that looks like bloom, please send photos and a description to [HABS@canandaigualakeassoc.org](mailto:HABS@canandaigualakeassoc.org).

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### 2019 Shoreline HABS Monitoring Program

Twenty-nine trained volunteers around Canandaigua Lake will be reporting current water conditions from August through the beginning of October. While it is not possible to document every bloom occurring on the lake in real time, trained observer reports help us bring you the most up to date information available.

**View the interactive map here:** <https://arcg.is/0S5nnu>

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### This week's HABS Articles of Interest.

Check out these articles and resources if you'd like to dig a little deeper on HABS.

[Video: Understanding Cyanobacteria and Cyanotoxins](#)

[Dogs and Harmful Algae Blooms](#)

[Understanding harmful algal blooms and their impact on drinking water](#)

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The Canandaigua Lake HABS Monitoring Program is a partnership effort led by the Canandaigua Lake Watershed Association, the Canandaigua Lake Watershed Council, and the Finger Lakes Institute, in collaboration with the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) and the Seneca Lake Pure Waters Association.

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