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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH IN HARDEE COUNTY LIFTS HEALTH ALERT FOR THE PEACE RIVER - CREWS PARK BOAT RAMP



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Hardee County, Fla. – The Florida Department of Health in Hardee County has <u>lifted</u> the Health Alert at the Peace River - Crews Park Boat Ramp. This is in response to a site visit and water samples taken from the site by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection.

The public may resume normal activities in and around the Peace River – Crews Park Boat Ramp.

Find current information about Florida's water quality status and public health notifications for harmful algal blooms and beach conditions by visiting **ProtectingFloridaTogether.gov**. Protecting Florida Together is the state's joint effort to provide statewide water quality information to prioritize environmental transparency and commitment to action.

What do I do if I see an algal bloom?

The Florida Department of Environmental Protection collects and analyzes algal bloom samples. To report a bloom to DEP, call the toll-free hotline at 855-305-3903 or report online.

To **report fish kills**, **contact** the Florida Fish and Wildlife Research Institute at 1-800-636-0511.

Report symptoms from exposure to a harmful algal bloom or any aquatic toxin to the Florida Poison Information Center, call 1-800-222-1222 to speak to a poison specialist immediately.

Contact your veterinarian if you believe your pet has become ill after consuming or having contact with blue-green algae contaminated water.

If you have other health questions or concerns about blue-green algae blooms, please call the Florida Department of Health in Hardee County at 863-773-4161.

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