

GLENBAWN DAM BLUE GREEN ALGAE WARNING LIFTED

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The blue-green algae warning previously issued for Glenbawn Dam has now been lifted by State Water Corporation.

State Water's Water Delivery Co-ordinator, Garry Hunt, today announced that algae numbers have remained at lower levels for two consecutive samples and public warnings could now be lifted.

"Blue-green algae is usually very obvious, appearing as green paint-like scum on the water and foreshore edges or clumps throughout the water and usually has a strong odour," Mr Hunt said.

"This makes the water appear dirty, green or discoloured. Algal numbers can change dramatically with changes in conditions and it is still prudent for people to avoid water where algae remains visible."

Specific care should be undertaken over the coming months of warmer weather to avoid any areas where they may be traces of residual algae, Mr Hunt said.

State Water will further advise the public if the situation changes.

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