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This week LCRA received test results confirming that toxic blue-green algae continues to be present in the Highland Lakes.

The new test samples were collected April 14 from the Travis Landing area of Lake Travis, where a dog died after playing in the water in February. The test results again detected anatoxin-A in algae from the area.

“This confirms the algae toxicity we are seeing in the Highland Lakes is long-lasting, and people need to continue to avoid contact with algae,” said John Hofmann, LCRA executive vice president of Water. “We also encourage people to keep their dogs from playing in or ingesting algae from the lakes. You can’t tell by looking at algae whether it contains toxins, so the best course of action is to stay away from it altogether.”

LCRA has prepared a caution sign template that homeowner associations, park operators and others can print out to warn visitors about the potential for dangerous algae. The template is available for download at [lcra.org/algae](http://lcra.org/algae) .