

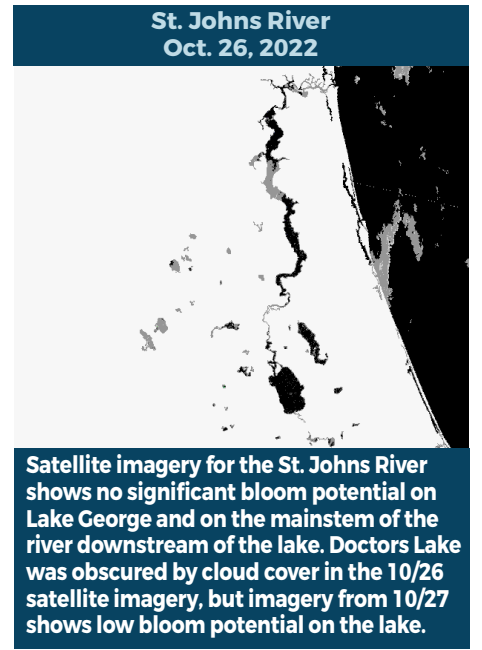
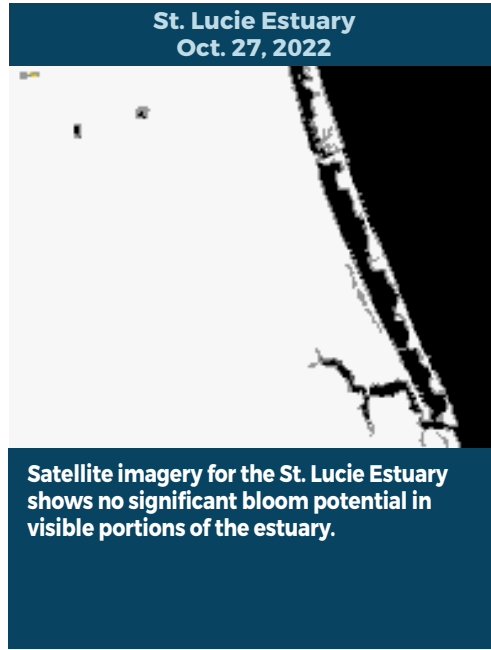
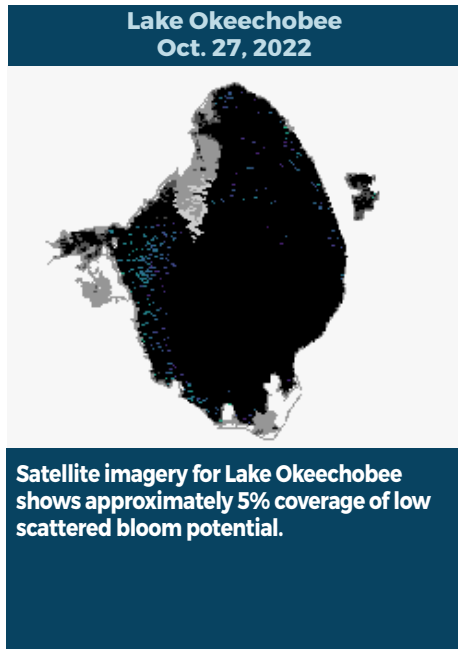
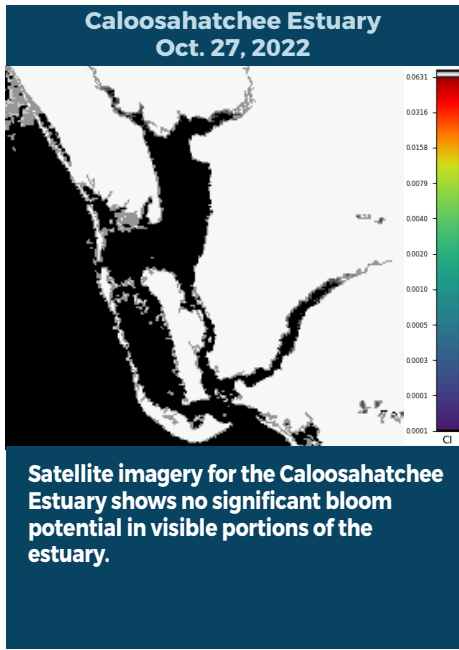


BLUE-GREEN ALGAL BLOOM WEEKLY UPDATE

REPORTING OCT. 21 - OCT. 27, 2022

Satellite imagery provided by NOAA - Images are impacted by cloud cover.

A value of 0.004 is nominally equivalent to approximately 20-30 ug/L chlorophyll a of cyanobacteria, and 0.06 would be in the 300-500 ug/L chlorophyll a range. Please keep in mind that bloom potential is subject to change due to rapidly changing environmental conditions or satellite inconsistencies (i.e., wind, rain, temperature or stage).



SUMMARY

There were 18 reported site visits in the past seven days with 18 samples collected. Algal bloom conditions were observed by samplers at five of the sites.

On 10/17, the South Florida Water Management District performed two site visits. Dominant algal taxa and cyanotoxin results follow each waterbody name.

- **C43 Canal - S77 Structure (upstream):** No dominant algal taxon, no cyanotoxins detected.
- **C43 Canal - S79 Structure (upstream):** No dominant algal taxon, no cyanotoxins detected.

On 10/17, the St. Johns River Water Management District collected nine routine harmful algal bloom (HAB) monitoring samples.

- **Lake George - Center:** No dominant algal taxon, no cyanotoxins detected.
- **Stick Marsh - North:** No dominant algal taxon, no cyanotoxins detected.
- **Crescent Lake - Mouth of Dunns Creek:** No dominant algal taxon, no cyanotoxins detected.
- **Blue Cypress Lake - Center:** No dominant algal taxon, no cyanotoxins detected.
- **St. Johns River - Shands Bridge:** *Microcystis aeruginosa*, no cyanotoxins detected.
- **Doctors Lake - Center:** No dominant algal taxon, no cyanotoxins detected.
- **St. Johns River - Mandarin Point:** No dominant algal taxon, no cyanotoxins detected.
- **Lake Monroe - Center:** Results pending.
- **Lake Jesup - Center:** Results pending.

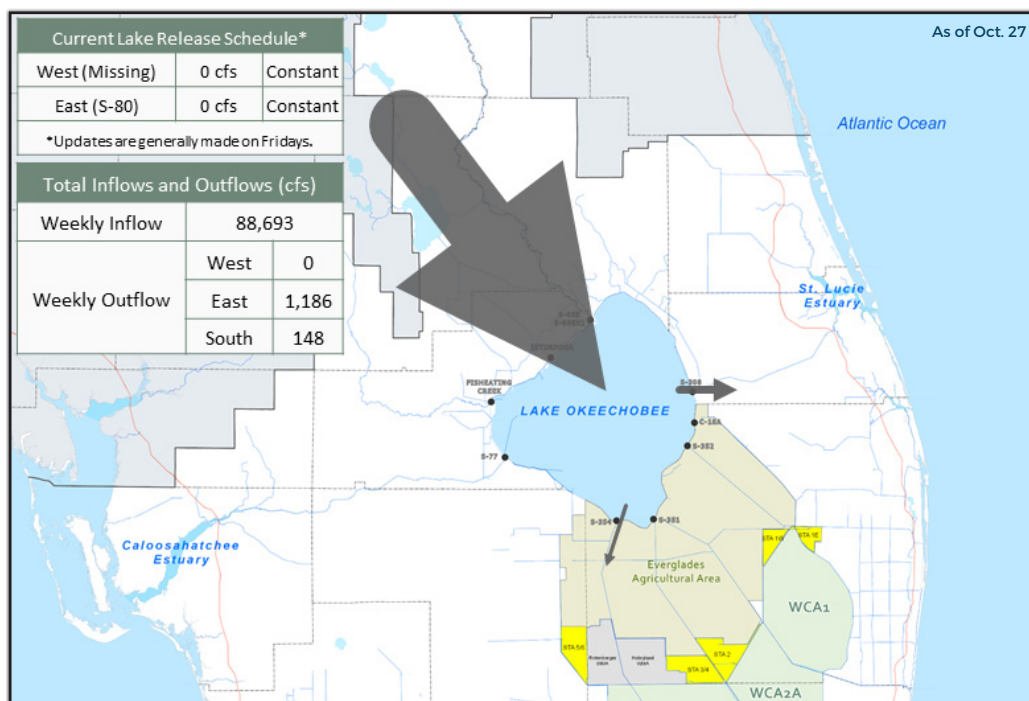
On 10/24-10/26, Florida Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) staff performed seven HAB response site visits.

- **Jupiter Park Drive Canal:** *Merismopedia sp.*, no cyanotoxins detected.
- **Caloosahatchee - Santa Fe Canal:** No dominant algal taxon, no cyanotoxins detected.
- **Lochloosa Lake - NE in veg:** *Microcystis aeruginosa*, trace level (0.25 parts per billion [ppb]) microcystins detected.
- **Lochloosa Lake - Entrance to Cross Creek:** *Microcystis aeruginosa*, no cyanotoxins detected.
- **183rd Ave Canal - Off Cross Creek:** No dominant algal taxon, no cyanotoxins detected.
- **Lochloosa Lake at Park:** No dominant algal taxon, trace level (0.25 ppb) microcystins detected.
- **Violet Lake - At 130 Violet Circle:** No dominant algal taxon, trace level (0.27 ppb) microcystins detected.

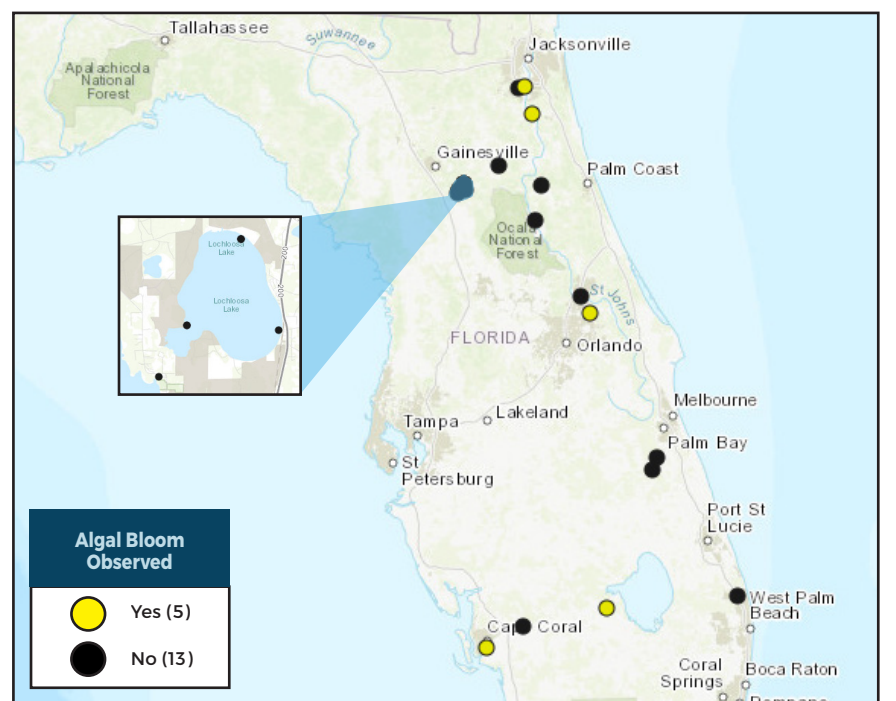
Results for completed analyses are available at FloridaDEP.gov/AlgalBloom.

This is a high-level summary of the sampling events for the reported week. For all field visit and analytical result details, please refer to the complete algal bloom map with data table by clicking the "Field and Lab Details" Quick Link from the Algal Bloom Dashboard. Different types of blue-green algal bloom species can look different and have different impacts. However, regardless of species, many types of blue-green algae can produce toxins that can make you or your pets sick if swallowed or possibly cause skin and/or eye irritation due to contact. We advise staying out of water where algae is visibly present as specks or mats or where water is discolored pea-green, blue-green or brownish-red. Additionally, pets or livestock should not come into contact with algal bloom-impacted water or with algal bloom material or fish on the shoreline.

LAKE OKEECHOBEE OUTFLOWS



SITE VISITS FOR BLUE-GREEN ALGAE



SIGN-UP FOR UPDATES

To receive personalized email notifications about blue-green algae and red tide, visit

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REPORT PUBLIC HEALTH ISSUES

HUMAN ILLNESS

Florida Poison Control Centers can be reached 24/7 at 800-222-1222

(DOH provides grant funding to the Florida Poison Control Centers)

OTHER PUBLIC HEALTH CONCERNS

CONTACT DOH
(DOH county office)



FloridaHealth.gov/all-county-locations.html

REPORT ALGAL BLOOMS

SALTWATER BLOOM

- Observe stranded wildlife or a fish kill.
- Information about red tide and other saltwater algal blooms.



CONTACT FWC

800-636-0511 (fish kills)
888-404-3922 (wildlife Alert)

MyFWC.com/RedTide

FRESHWATER BLOOM

- Observe an algal bloom in a lake or freshwater river.
- Information about blue-green algal blooms.



CONTACT DEP

855-305-3903
(to report freshwater blooms)

FloridaDEP.gov/AlgalBloom