

Sutton, Kaitlyn

From: Stacey Patel <staceybpatel@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 20, 2019 7:46 PM
To: Sutton, Kaitlyn
Subject: Public Comment: Water Quality Limits for Toxic Algae

Dear Ms. Sutton,

According to this [recent story published by WLRN.org](#), your agency is currently accepting public comments regarding water quality limits for toxic algae. I am writing to strongly support the establishment of such standards.

This summer, our drinking water source, Lake Washington in Melbourne, experienced an algae bloom that apparently went undetected, unmeasured, and untreated until complaints from local residents about taste, odor, and health concerns. For more about the Lake Washington algae bloom, see this article from the Orlando Sentinel: <https://www.orlandosentinel.com/news/os-ne-algae-outbreak-melbourne-water-20190719-3mvym2e5jbgixisdizqplh7i2y-story.html>.

Without limits and consistent measurement, we cannot be sure that toxic algae will be detected and treated effectively to avoid significant impacts to public health.

Please implement clear water quality limits for toxic algae in Florida.

Sincerely,
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