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**Algae Alerts for the Barwon-Darling river system
as on October 20 2005**

This blue-green algal alert report is based on routine monitoring by the Department of Natural Resources Far West and Barwon region staff, Bourke Shire Council, Central Darling Shire Council and Ray Taylor from Brewarrina.

LOCATION	CURRENT ALERT LEVEL	PREDOMINANT BLUE-GREEN ALGAE GENERA #	PREVIOUS ALERT LEVEL
Barwon River @ Mungindi	13 Oct 2005	No blue-green algae detected	
	NIL		
Barwon River @ Collarenebri	10 Oct 05	No blue-green algae detected	
	NIL		
Barwon River @ Walgett Dangar Bridge	10 OCT 05	No blue-green algae detected	
	NIL		
Namoi River @ Walgett	12 OCT 05	Low numbers of non toxic blue-green algae detected <i>Aphanocapsa/ Pseudanabaena</i>	LOW
	NIL		
Barwon River @ Brewarrina	No current information		
Darling River @ Bourke	10 OCT. 05	No blue green alge detected	
	Nil		
Darling River @ 'Rose Isle' 30km north east of Louth NSW	No current information		
Darling River @ Louth	Nil	No blue green alge detected	
Darling River @ Tilpa	No current information		
Darling River @ 'Trevallyn' 70km south west of Tilpa NSW	No current information		
Darling River @ 'Atley' 10km east of Wilcannia NSW	No current information		
Darling River @ Wilcannia	No current information		
Darling River @ 'Culpaulin' 25km south west of Wilcannia NSW	No current information		

Only the two most frequently observed blue-green algae genera that contribute to the current alert level are presented above in order of their abundance. *There may also have been other blue-green algae genera present.* These data are presented for information only. We recommend that water treatment and stock management responses should not be altered according to the

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observed blue-green algae genera. All blue-green algae genera should be considered as potentially harmful to human and animal health when present in blooms.

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