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Media Statement

Algae levels drop in Canning River

Elevated levels of the blue-green alga *Anabaena circinalis* have now dropped significantly in the Canning River between the Kent Street Weir, Wilson and Ellison Parade, Langford.

The Swan River Trust has been monitoring the levels of this alga since it was detected during routine sampling earlier this month, and has now declared the incident closed.

Public advice signs were removed from the Canning River yesterday, but people are still urged to contact the Trust if they notice dead or sluggish fish by calling (08) 9278 0900 or 0419 192 845 after hours.

This week's monitoring returned environmentally satisfactory results at all sites along the Canning and Swan rivers. Department of Health reminds people not to eat wild shellfish from the rivers.

Weekly algae activity reports published by the Swan River Trust are available online at www.swanrivertrust.wa.gov.au.

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