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From: Juliet Page

Subject: Dark currents of 'stuff' in Mill Creek 7/23 - Algae Bloom?

Hi all,

I just thought I'd share some photos of some wierd 'stuff' in Mill Creek. We're wondering if it's an algae bloom? It wasn't in the river before lunch when Greg took the boat out. It showed up shortly after lunchtime. There are dark currents of a substance, somewhat a bit below the surface of the water. We phoned upriver to the Kemp's to see if it was in the river near their dock too. Dave couldn't see much up in the shallow headwater area. Greg & Dave were out in their canoes trying to determine the source of it. It appears in the deeper areas of the creek.

Greg took some water samples around 2pm this afternoon. Upon close inspection the stuff appears to be a very dark green color. The wisps of dark in the river seem to move around with the currents. Do algae blooms show up so suddenly?

Sally, can I get these samples to you sometime soon for a closer look? I'm hoping you or someone can identify what it is. Photos attached.

Thanks, ~Juliet