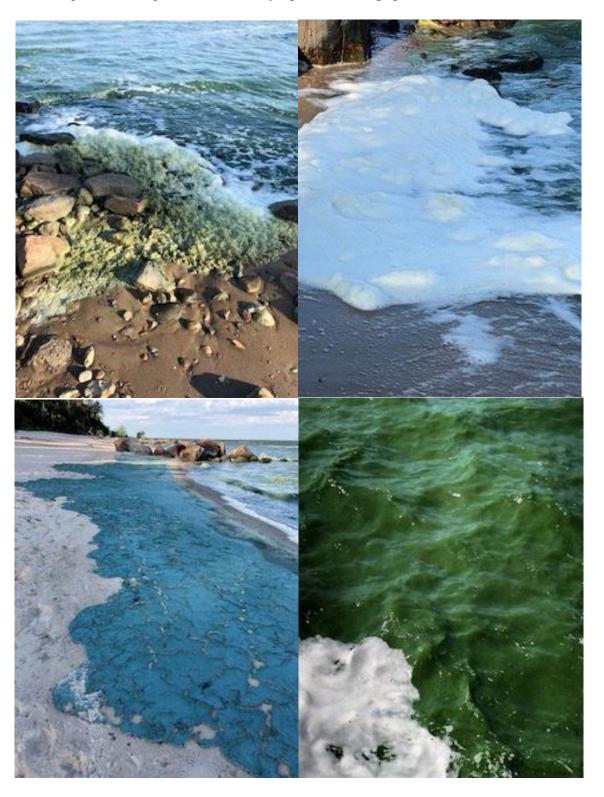
The IJC has asked for public input on proposed recommendations for nutrient pollution targets for the Red River which drains into Lake Winnipeg.

I own a cottage on this huge, beautiful but dying Lake Winnipeg. This is what it has become



These photos were taken at Victoria Beach last summer and show what dire need there is to turn this lake's health around! Lake Winnipeg matters deeply to me and to all that earn a living, have recreational properties, live on its shores, and the wildlife it supports. Phosphorus over loading has scientifically been shown to be the culprit in algae blooms. This has been proven at the Experimental Lakes in Ontario as one example. I do not support IJC'S proposed nitrogen objectives.

I do expect the Canadian and American governments to work together in a constructive way on scientific evidence based actions that will lead to improvements to this exceptional natural resource.

Regards,

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