



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
WATER TESTING RESULTS: WEEK OF JULY 22, 2019

Concerned Citizens of Montauk (CCOM) regularly tests waterbodies in Montauk, Amagansett, and East Hampton for the bacteria *enterococcus*. CCOM processes the water samples in the CCOM office lab and then shares the results on the Surfriider Foundation’s Blue Water Task Force (BWTF) online portal. *Entero* levels at 104 and above are considered a risk to human health; it is often due to heavy rains, extreme high tides, and/or warm water temperatures.

Intensive monitoring and/or remediation projects are planned or in place at the locations marked with an asterisk (*)

| LOCATION | ENTERO LEVEL | INDICATION OF |
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| MONTAUK | | |
| Lake Montauk: Harbor* | 30 | Low Bacteria |
| Lake Montauk: Causeway South* | 0 | Low Bacteria |
| Lake Montauk: Little Reed Pond Creek* | 1,178 | High Bacteria |
| Lake Montauk: Nature Preserve Beach* | 757 | High Bacteria |
| Lake Montauk: East Creek* | 1,106 | High Bacteria |
| Lake Montauk: South Beach* | 131 | High Bacteria |
| Lake Montauk: West Creek* | 2,603 | High Bacteria |
| Ditch Plains: East of Jetty | 588 | High Bacteria |
| Surfside Place: Ocean Beach | 191 | High Bacteria |
| Surfside Place: Outfall Pipe* | 1,904 | High Bacteria |
| Fort Pond: Industrial* | 20 | Low Bacteria |
| Fort Pond: Ramp* | 85 | Medium Bacteria |
| Tuthill Pond | 109 | High Bacteria |
| LI Sound: Fort Pond Bay @ Tuthill Rd. | 0 | Low Bacteria |
| LI Sound: Fort Pond Bay @ Navy Rd. | 0 | Low Bacteria |
| AMAGANSETT | | |
| Napeague Harbor: East | 0 | Low Bacteria |
| Napeague Harbor: West | 10 | Low Bacteria |
| Fresh Pond: Beach* | 651 | High Bacteria |
| Fresh Pond: Creek* | 1,725 | High Bacteria |
| EAST HAMPTON | | |
| Accabonac Harbor: Louse Point Beach | 73 | Medium Bacteria |
| Accabonac Harbor: Shipyard Ramp* | 763 | High Bacteria |
| Pussy’s Pond* | 2,851 | High Bacteria |
| Three Mile Harbor: Folkstone Drive | 197 | High Bacteria |
| Three Mile Harbor: Head of the Harbor* | 670 | High Bacteria |
| Three Mile Harbor: Settler’s Landing | 20 | Low Bacteria |
| Northwest Creek: Ramp | 223 | High Bacteria |
| Northwest Creek: Culvert | 121 | High Bacteria |
| Methodist Lane Swale* | Not Tested | |
| Hook Pond: David’s Lane Duck Pond* | 7,270 | High Bacteria |
| Hook Pond: Dunemere* | 2,700 | High Bacteria |
| Hook Pond: South* | Not Tested | |
| Town Pond* | Not Tested | |
| Town Bioswale* | Not Tested | |
| <i>Georgica Beach / Third Jetty</i> | 10 | Low Bacteria |
| <i>Georgica Pond: Beach Side</i> | 0 | Low Bacteria |
| <i>Georgica Pond: Rt. 27 Kayak Launch</i> | Not Tested | |
| <i>Georgica Pond: Cove Hollow Access*</i> | 41 | Medium Bacteria |

Georgica Pond sites are currently being processed by Surfriider at the Stonybrook Southampton Lab



Concerned Citizens of Montauk (CCOM), in partnership with the Gobler Lab at Stony Brook Southampton, monitors Fort Pond for toxic blue-green harmful algal blooms (cyanobacteria). CCOM delivers samples to the Lab, which shares bloom occurrences online through the DEC HAB Notification page. Blue-green levels at 20ug/L and above are at high risk of a bloom and triggers toxicity testing; DEC considers a concentration of 25ug/L and above as a bloom.

| LOCATION | BLOOM STATUS | BLUE-GREEN LEVEL | INDICATION OF |
|------------------------------|--------------|------------------|------------------|
| Fort Pond: Industrial | Bloom | 26.60 | High Risk |
| Fort Pond: Ramp | Bloom | 31.50 | High Risk |
| Big Reed Pond | No Bloom | < 1.00 | Low Risk |

To learn more about CCOM's water quality programs, please visit the website at www.PreserveMontauk.org