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**WATER TESTING RESULTS: WEEK OF AUGUST 5, 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          |
|--|------------------|------------------------|
| <b>MONTAUK</b>                                   |                  |                        |
| Lake Montauk: Harbor*                            | 10               | Low Bacteria           |
| Lake Montauk: Causeway South*                    | 0                | Low Bacteria           |
| <b>Lake Montauk: Little Reed Pond Creek*</b>     | <b>98</b>        | <b>Medium Bacteria</b> |
| Lake Montauk: Nature Preserve Beach*             | 31               | Low Bacteria           |
| <b>Lake Montauk: East Creek*</b>                 | <b>420</b>       | <b>High Bacteria</b>   |
| Lake Montauk: South Beach*                       | 20               | Low Bacteria           |
| <b>Lake Montauk: West Creek*</b>                 | <b>41</b>        | <b>Medium Bacteria</b> |
| Lake Montauk: Stepping Stones*                   | 10               | Low Bacteria           |
| Ditch Plains: East of Jetty                      | 0                | Low Bacteria           |
| Surfside Place: Ocean Beach                      | 0                | Low Bacteria           |
| Surfside Place: Outfall Pipe*                    | Not Tested - DRY |                        |
| Fort Pond: Industrial*                           | 10               | Low Bacteria           |
| <b>Fort Pond: Ramp*</b>                          | <b>85</b>        | <b>Medium Bacteria</b> |
| <b>Tuthill Pond</b>                              | <b>213</b>       | <b>High Bacteria</b>   |
| LI Sound: Fort Pond Bay @ Tuthill Rd.            | 0                | Low Bacteria           |
| LI Sound: Fort Pond Bay @ Navy Rd.               | 0                | Low Bacteria           |
| <b>AMAGANSETT</b>                                |                  |                        |
| Napeague Harbor: East                            | 0                | Low Bacteria           |
| Napeague Harbor: West                            | 0                | Low Bacteria           |
| <b>Fresh Pond: Beach*</b>                        | <b>41</b>        | <b>Medium Bacteria</b> |
| <b>Fresh Pond: Creek*</b>                        | <b>62</b>        | <b>Medium Bacteria</b> |
| <b>EAST HAMPTON</b>                              |                  |                        |
| Accabonac Harbor: Louse Point Beach              | 0                | Low Bacteria           |
| Accabonac Harbor: Shipyard Ramp*                 | 30               | Low Bacteria           |
| <b>Pussy’s Pond*</b>                             | <b>246</b>       | <b>High Bacteria</b>   |
| Three Mile Harbor: Folkstone Drive               | 0                | Low Bacteria           |
| Three Mile Harbor: Head of the Harbor*           | 0                | Low Bacteria           |
| Three Mile Harbor: Settler’s Landing             | 0                | Low Bacteria           |
| <b>Northwest Creek: Ramp</b>                     | <b>52</b>        | <b>Medium Bacteria</b> |
| <b>Northwest Creek: Culvert</b>                  | <b>399</b>       | <b>High Bacteria</b>   |
| <b>Methodist Lane Swale*</b>                     | <b>537</b>       | <b>High Bacteria</b>   |
| Hook Pond: David’s Lane Duck Pond*               | Not Tested       |                        |
| Hook Pond: Dunemere*                             | Not Tested       |                        |
| Hook Pond: South*                                | Not Tested       |                        |
| Town Pond*                                       | Not Tested       |                        |
| Town Bioswale*                                   | Not Tested - DRY |                        |
| <i>Georgica Beach / Third Jetty</i>              | 0                | Low Bacteria           |
| <b><i>Georgica Pond: Beach Side</i></b>          | <b>985</b>       | <b>High Bacteria</b>   |
| <b><i>Georgica Pond: Rt. 27 Kayak Launch</i></b> | <b>1,354</b>     | <b>High Bacteria</b>   |
| <i>Georgica Pond: Cove Hollow Access*</i>        | 0                | Low 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    |
|------------------------------|--------------|------------------|------------------|
| <b>Fort Pond: Industrial</b> | <b>Bloom</b> | <b>31.00</b>     | <b>High Risk</b> |
| <b>Fort Pond: Ramp</b>       | <b>Bloom</b> | <b>34.00</b>     | <b>High Risk</b> |
| Big Reed Pond                | No Bloom     | 2.50             | Low Risk         |

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