



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
WATER TESTING RESULTS: WEEK OF JANUARY 13, 2020

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 Surfrider 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 |
|---|--------------|------------------------|
| MONTAUK | | |
| Lake Montauk: Harbor* | Not Tested | |
| Lake Montauk: Causeway South* | Not Tested | |
| Lake Montauk: Little Reed Pond Creek* | 0 | Low Bacteria |
| Lake Montauk: Nature Preserve Beach* | 20 | Low Bacteria |
| Lake Montauk: East Creek* | 199 | High Bacteria |
| Lake Montauk: South Beach* | 0 | Low Bacteria |
| Lake Montauk: West Creek* | 0 | Low Bacteria |
| Lake Montauk: Stepping Stones* | 10 | Low Bacteria |
| Ditch Plains: East of Jetty | 10 | Low Bacteria |
| Surfside Place: Ocean Beach | 0 | Low Bacteria |
| Surfside Place: Outfall Pipe* | 10 | Low Bacteria |
| Fort Pond: Industrial* | 0 | Low Bacteria |
| Fort Pond: Ramp* | 31 | Low Bacteria |
| Tuthill Pond | 0 | Low Bacteria |
| LI Sound: Fort Pond Bay @ Tuthill Rd. | 0 | Low Bacteria |
| LI Sound: Fort Pond Bay @ Navy Rd. | 0 | Low Bacteria |
| LI Sound: Soundview Drive Culvert | 20 | Low Bacteria |
| AMAGANSETT | | |
| Napeague Harbor: East | 0 | Low Bacteria |
| Napeague Harbor: West | 0 | Low Bacteria |
| Fresh Pond: Beach* | 10 | Low Bacteria |
| Fresh Pond: Creek* | 0 | Low Bacteria |
| EAST HAMPTON | | |
| Accabonac Harbor: Louse Point Beach | Not Tested | |
| Accabonac Harbor: Shipyard Ramp* | 0 | Low Bacteria |
| Pussy’s Pond* | 63 | Medium Bacteria |
| Three Mile Harbor: Folkstone Drive | Not Tested | |
| Three Mile Harbor: Head of the Harbor* | 0 | Low Bacteria |
| Three Mile Harbor: Settler’s Landing | 30 | Low Bacteria |
| Northwest Creek: Ramp | 10 | Low Bacteria |
| Northwest Creek: Culvert | 10 | Low Bacteria |
| Methodist Lane Swale* | 0 | Low Bacteria |
| Hook Pond: David’s Lane Duck Pond* | 20 | Low Bacteria |
| Hook Pond: Dunemere* | 185 | High Bacteria |
| Hook Pond: South* | Not Tested | |
| Town Pond* | Not Tested | |
| Town Bioswale* | Not Tested | |
| <i>Georgica Beach / Third Jetty</i> | Not Tested | |
| <i>Georgica Pond: Beach Side</i> | Not Tested | |
| <i>Georgica Pond: Rt. 27 Kayak Launch</i> | Not Tested | |
| <i>Georgica Pond: Cove Hollow Access*</i> | Not Tested | |

Georgica Pond sites are currently being processed by Surfrider 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 NYS 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 | --- | --- | --- |
| Fort Pond: Ramp | --- | --- | --- |
| Big Reed Pond | --- | --- | --- |

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