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WATER TESTING RESULTS: WEEK OF AUGUST 17, 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 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
MONTAUK		
Lake Montauk: Harbor*	31	Low Bacteria
Lake Montauk: Causeway South*	10	Low Bacteria
Lake Montauk: Little Reed Pond Creek*	521	High Bacteria
Lake Montauk: Nature Preserve Beach*	910	High Bacteria
Lake Montauk: East Creek*	>24,196	High Bacteria
Lake Montauk: South Beach*	0	Low Bacteria
Lake Montauk: West Creek*	>24,196	High Bacteria
Lake Montauk: Stepping Stones*	1,500	High Bacteria
Ditch Plains: East of Jetty	624	High Bacteria
Surfside Place: Beach	3,076	High Bacteria
Surfside Place: Outfall Pipe*	>24,196	High Bacteria
Fort Pond: Industrial*	171	High Bacteria
Fort Pond: Ramp*	820	High Bacteria
Tuthill Pond	1,314	High Bacteria
LI Sound: Fort Pond Bay, Tuthill Rd.	31	Low Bacteria
LI Sound: Fort Pond Bay, Navy Rd.	52	Medium Bacteria
LI Sound: Soundview Drive Beach	120	High Bacteria
LI Sound: Soundview Drive Culvert	>24,196	High Bacteria
AMAGANSETT		
Napeague Harbor: East	85	Medium Bacteria
Napeague Harbor: West	459	High Bacteria
Fresh Pond: Beach*	20	Low Bacteria
Fresh Pond: Creek*	6,131	High Bacteria
EAST HAMPTON		
Accabonac Harbor: Louse Point Beach	703	High Bacteria
Accabonac Harbor: Shipyard Ramp*	12,033	High Bacteria
Pussy’s Pond*	24,196	High Bacteria
Three Mile Harbor: Folkstone Drive	4,884	High Bacteria
Three Mile Harbor: Head of the Harbor*	108	High Bacteria
Three Mile Harbor: Settler’s Landing	10	Low Bacteria
Northwest Creek: Ramp	1,723	High Bacteria
Northwest Creek: Culvert	5,794	High Bacteria



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	No Bloom	18.71	Medium Risk
Fort Pond: Ramp	No Bloom	21.90	High Risk
Big Reed Pond	Bloom	131.68	High Risk
Big Reed Pond: Cove	Bloom	29.12	High Risk

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