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**WATER TESTING RESULTS: WEEK OF AUGUST 24, 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
<b>MONTAUK</b>		
Lake Montauk: Harbor*	Not Tested	
Lake Montauk: Causeway South*	Not Tested	
Lake Montauk: Little Reed Pond Creek*	30	Low Bacteria
Lake Montauk: Nature Preserve Beach*	0	Low Bacteria
<b>Lake Montauk: East Creek*</b>	<b>187</b>	<b>High Bacteria</b>
Lake Montauk: South Beach*	10	Low Bacteria
<b>Lake Montauk: West Creek*</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>Medium Bacteria</b>
Lake Montauk: Stepping Stones*	0	Low Bacteria
Ditch Plains: East of Jetty	0	Low Bacteria
Surfside Place: Beach	0	Low Bacteria
Surfside Place: Outfall Pipe*	Not Tested	
Fort Pond: Industrial*	0	Low Bacteria
Fort Pond: Ramp*	10	Low Bacteria
Tuthill Pond	Not Tested	
LI Sound: Fort Pond Bay, Tuthill Rd.	Not Tested	
LI Sound: Fort Pond Bay, Navy Rd.	Not Tested	
LI Sound: Soundview Drive Beach	0	Low Bacteria
LI Sound: Soundview Drive Culvert	Not Tested	
<b>AMAGANSETT</b>		
Napeague Harbor: East	10	Low Bacteria
Napeague Harbor: West	0	Low Bacteria
Fresh Pond: Beach*	10	Low Bacteria
<b>Fresh Pond: Creek*</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>Medium Bacteria</b>
<b>EAST HAMPTON</b>		
Accabonac Harbor: Louse Point Beach	20	Low Bacteria
<b>Accabonac Harbor: Shipyard Ramp*</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>Medium Bacteria</b>
<b>Pussy’s Pond*</b>	<b>169</b>	<b>High Bacteria</b>
Three Mile Harbor: Folkstone Drive	10	Low Bacteria
Three Mile Harbor: Head of the Harbor*	0	Low Bacteria
Three Mile Harbor: Settler’s Landing	20	Low Bacteria
Northwest Creek: Ramp	0	Low Bacteria
<b>Northwest Creek: Culvert</b>	<b>2,282</b>	<b>High Bacteria</b>



**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
<b>Fort Pond: Industrial</b>	<b>No Bloom</b>	<b>24.13</b>	<b>High Risk</b>
<b>Fort Pond: Ramp</b>	<b>No Bloom</b>	<b>22.31</b>	<b>High Risk</b>
<b>Big Reed Pond</b>	<b>Bloom</b>	<b>41.28</b>	<b>High Risk</b>
Little Reed Pond	No Bloom	0.00	Low Risk
Fresh Pond: Creek	No Bloom	2.55	Low Risk

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