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WATER TESTING RESULTS: WEEK OF AUGUST 16, 2021

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*	Not Tested	
Lake Montauk: Causeway South*	Not Tested	
Lake Montauk: Little Reed Pond Creek*	0	Low Bacteria
Lake Montauk: Nature Preserve Beach*	0	Low Bacteria
Lake Montauk: East Creek*	121	High Bacteria
Lake Montauk: South Beach*	0	Low Bacteria
Lake Montauk: West Creek*	379	High Bacteria
Lake Montauk: Stepping Stones*	Not Tested	
Lake Montauk: Benson Dr. Culvert	Not Tested - DRY	
Ditch Plains: East of Jetty	0	Low Bacteria
Surfside Place: Beach	0	Low Bacteria
Surfside Place: Outfall Pipe*	Not Tested - DRY	
Fort Pond: Industrial*	0	Low Bacteria
Fort Pond: Ramp*	84	Medium Bacteria
Tuthill Pond	657	High Bacteria
LI Sound: Fort Pond Bay, Tuthill Rd.	120	High Bacteria
LI Sound: Fort Pond Bay, Navy Rd.	0	Low Bacteria
LI Sound: Soundview Drive Beach	Not Tested	
LI Sound: Soundview Drive Culvert	Not Tested	
AMAGANSETT		
Napeague Harbor: East	0	Low Bacteria
Napeague Harbor: West	10	Low Bacteria
Fresh Pond: Beach*	41	Medium Bacteria
Fresh Pond: Creek*	0	Low Bacteria
EAST HAMPTON		
Accabonac Harbor: Louse Point Beach	0	Low Bacteria
Accabonac Harbor: Shipyard Ramp*	10	Low Bacteria
Accabonac Harbor: General Store*	243	High Bacteria
Pussy’s Pond*	Not Tested	
Three Mile Harbor: Folkstone Drive	0	Low Bacteria
Three Mile Harbor: Head of the Harbor*	Not Tested	
Three Mile Harbor: Settler’s Landing	Not Tested	
Northwest Creek: Ramp	Not Tested	
Northwest Creek: Culvert	Not Tested	



Concerned Citizens of Montauk (CCOM), in partnership with the Gobler Lab at Stony Brook Southampton, monitors Fort Pond and Big Reed Pond for toxic blue-green 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	23.00	Medium Risk
Fort Pond: Ramp	Bloom	34.00	High Risk
Lake Montauk: South Beach	Not Tested	---	---
Stepping Stones Pond	Not Tested	---	---
Big Reed Pond	Not Tested	---	---
Little Reed Pond	Not Tested	---	---

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