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WATER TESTING RESULTS: WEEK OF JUNE 26, 2023

Concerned Citizens of Montauk (CCOM) partners with the Surfrider Foundation Eastern Long Island Chapter and Peconic Baykeeper to monitor East End water bodies for the bacteria enterococcus. CCOM tests locations in Montauk, Amagansett, and East Hampton, processes the water samples in the CCOM office lab and shares the results with the public through press releases and the Surfrider Foundation’s Blue Water Task Force (BWTF) online portal. Enterococcus 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. Levels <10 are considered below the detection limit of the test.

LOCATION	ENTERO LEVEL	INDICATION OF
MONTAUK		
Lake Montauk: Harbor*	Not Tested	
Lake Montauk: Causeway South*	Not Tested	
Lake Montauk: Little Reed Pond Creek*	<10	Low Bacteria
Lake Montauk: Nature Preserve Beach*	84	Medium Bacteria
Lake Montauk: East Creek*	<10	Low Bacteria
Lake Montauk: South Beach*	<10	Low Bacteria
Lake Montauk: West Creek	<10	Low Bacteria
Lake Montauk: Stepping Stones*	98	Medium Bacteria
Lake Montauk: Benson Dr. Culvert	24196	High Bacteria
Ditch Plains: East of Jetty	<10	Low Bacteria
Surfside Place: Beach	<10	Low Bacteria
Surfside Place: Outfall Pipe*	Dry	
Fort Pond: Industrial*	20	Low Bacteria
Fort Pond: Ramp*	1850	High Bacteria
Tuthill Pond	253	High Bacteria
LI Sound: Fort Pond Bay, Tuthill Rd.	<10	Low Bacteria
LI Sound: Fort Pond Bay, Navy Rd.	31	Low Bacteria
LI Sound: Soundview Drive Beach	Not Tested	Low Bacteria
LI Sound: Soundview Drive Culvert	Not Tested	
AMAGANSETT		
Napeague Harbor: East	<10	Low Bacteria
Napeague Harbor: West	31	Low Bacteria
Fresh Pond: Beach*	10	Low Bacteria
Fresh Pond: Creek*	30	Low Bacteria
EAST HAMPTON		
Accabonac Harbor: Louse Point Beach	31	Low Bacteria
Accabonac Harbor: Shipyard Ramp*	20	Low Bacteria
Accabonac Harbor: East of Old Stone Culvert*	Not Tested	
Landing Lane	10	Low Bacteria
Three Mile Harbor: Folkstone Drive	10	Low Bacteria
Three Mile Harbor: Head of the Harbor*	<10	Low Bacteria
Three Mile Harbor: Settler’s Landing	86	Medium Bacteria
Northwest Creek: Ramp	10	Low Bacteria
Northwest Creek: Culvert	337	High Bacteria



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 trigger toxicity testing; DEC considers a concentration of 25ug/L and above as a bloom.

DATE	LOCATION	BLOOM STATUS	BLUE-GREEN LEVEL	INDICATION OF
6/26/2023	Fort Pond: Industrial	No Bloom Present	6.10	Low Risk
6/26/2023	Fort Pond: Ramp	No Bloom Present	9.54	Low Risk

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