



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
WATER TESTING RESULTS: WEEK OF JULY 17, 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. 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. 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*	>24196	High Bacteria
Lake Montauk: Nature Preserve Beach*	>24196	High Bacteria
Lake Montauk: East Creek*	9804	High Bacteria
Lake Montauk: South Beach*	243	High Bacteria
Lake Montauk: West Creek	>24196	High Bacteria
Lake Montauk: Stepping Stones*	10	Low Bacteria
Lake Montauk: Benson Dr. Culvert	>24196	High Bacteria
Ditch Plains: East of Jetty	10	Low Bacteria
Surfside Place: Beach	31	Low Bacteria
Surfside Place: Outfall Pipe*	>24196	High Bacteria
Fort Pond: Industrial*	Not Tested	
Fort Pond: Ramp*	1259	High Bacteria
Tuthill Pond	457	High Bacteria
LI Sound: Fort Pond Bay, Tuthill Rd.	41	Medium Bacteria
LI Sound: Fort Pond Bay, Navy Rd.	<10	Low Bacteria
LI Sound: Soundview Drive Beach	Not Tested	Low Bacteria
LI Sound: Soundview Drive Culvert	Not Tested	
AMAGANSETT		
Napeague Harbor: East	269	High Bacteria
Napeague Harbor: West	31	Low Bacteria
Fresh Pond: Beach*	379	High Bacteria
Fresh Pond: Creek*	250	High Bacteria
EAST HAMPTON		
Accabonac Harbor: Louse Point Beach	631	High Bacteria
Accabonac Harbor: Shipyard Ramp*	>24196	High Bacteria
Accabonac Harbor: East of Old Stone Culvert*	Not Tested	
Landing Lane	733	High Bacteria
Three Mile Harbor: Folkstone Drive	4611	High Bacteria
Three Mile Harbor: Head of the Harbor*	Not Tested	
Three Mile Harbor: Settler's Landing	10	Low Bacteria
Northwest Creek: Ramp	1918	High Bacteria
Northwest Creek: Culvert	2987	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
7/7/2023	Fort Pond: Industrial	No Bloom Present	13.85	Low Risk
7/7/2023	Fort Pond: Ramp	No Bloom Present	17.59	Medium Risk
7/10/2023	Fort Pond: Industrial	No Bloom Present	15.76	Medium Risk
7/10/2023	Fort Pond: Ramp	No Bloom Present	13.96	Low Risk

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