



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. When sites are listed as ‘Unable to test’, water level conditions may have been too low to take reliable water samples. Enterococcus levels at 104 and above are considered a risk to human health. High levels are often due to heavy rains, extreme high tides, and/or warm water temperatures. Levels <10 are considered below the detection limit of the test. *Intensive monitoring and/or remediation projects are planned or in place at the locations marked with an asterisk (\*)*.

LOCATION	ENTERO LEVEL (MPN/100mL)	INDICATION OF
<b>MONTAUK</b>		
Lake Montauk: Harbor*	20	Low Bacteria
Lake Montauk: Causeway South*	20	Low Bacteria
Lake Montauk: Little Reed Pond Creek*	<10	Low Bacteria
Lake Montauk: Nature Preserve Beach*	<10	Low 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*	<10	Low Bacteria
<b>Lake Montauk: Benson Dr. Culvert</b>	<b>2,495</b>	<b>High Bacteria</b>
Ditch Plains: East of Jetty	10	Low Bacteria
Surfside Place: Beach	<10	Low Bacteria
Surfside Place: Outfall Pipe*	Unable to test	/
Fort Pond: Industrial*	20	Low Bacteria
<b>Fort Pond: Ramp*</b>	<b>443</b>	<b>High Bacteria</b>
<b>Tuthill Pond</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>Medium Bacteria</b>
<b>LI Sound: Fort Pond Bay, Tuthill Rd.</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>Medium Bacteria</b>
LI Sound: Fort Pond Bay, Navy Rd.	<10	Low Bacteria
LI Sound: Soundview Drive Beach	<10	Low Bacteria
LI Sound: Soundview Drive Culvert	Unable to test	/
<b>AMAGANSETT</b>		
Napeague Harbor: East	<10	/
Napeague Harbor: West	10	Low Bacteria
Fresh Pond: Beach*	30	Low Bacteria
Fresh Pond: Creek*	10	Low Bacteria
<b>EAST HAMPTON</b>		
Accabonac Harbor: Louse Point Beach	<10	Low Bacteria
Accabonac Harbor: Shipyard Ramp*	<10	Low Bacteria
Accabonac Harbor: Landing Lane	30	Low Bacteria
Three Mile Harbor: Folkstone Drive	31	Low Bacteria
<b>Three Mile Harbor: Head of the Harbor*</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>Medium Bacteria</b>
<b>Three Mile Harbor: Settler’s Landing</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>High Bacteria</b>
Northwest Creek: Ramp	31	Low Bacteria
<b>Northwest Creek: Culvert</b>	<b>118</b>	<b>High Bacteria</b>

Enterococcus (MPN/100mL) - Based on water quality standards set by New York State Department of Health  
**Low Bacteria (0 - 35); Medium Bacteria (36 - 104); High Bacteria (> 104)**



## HARMFUL ALGAL BLOOMS

Concerned Citizens of Montauk (CCOM), in partnership with the Gobler Laboratory at the School of Marine and Atmospheric Sciences (SoMAS) at Stony Brook, monitors Fort Pond for toxic blue-green algal blooms (cyanobacteria). CCOM delivers samples to the Gobler 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.

DATE	LOCATION	BLOOM STATUS	BLUE-GREEN LEVEL (ug/L)	INDICATION OF
7/29/2024	Fort Pond: Industrial	Not Present	23.25	High Risk
<b>7/29/2024</b>	<b>Fort Pond: Ramp</b>	<b>Bloom Present</b>	<b>25.42 25</b>	<b>High Risk</b>
8/5/2024	Fort Pond: Industrial	Not Present	20.74	High Risk
<b>8/5/2024</b>	<b>Fort Pond: Ramp</b>	<b>Bloom Present</b>	<b>34.98 25</b>	<b>High Risk</b>
<b>8/12/2024</b>	<b>Fort Pond: Industrial</b>	<b>Bloom Present</b>	<b>29.66</b>	<b>High Risk</b>
<b>8/12/2024</b>	<b>Fort Pond: Ramp</b>	<b>Bloom Present</b>	<b>43.63</b>	<b>High Risk</b>
8/19/2024	Fort Pond: Industrial	Not Present	22.22	High Risk
8/19/2024	Fort Pond: Ramp	Not Present	21.7	High Risk
8/26/2024	Fort Pond: Industrial	Not Present	16.6	Medium Risk
<b>8/26/2024</b>	<b>Fort Pond: Ramp</b>	<b>Bloom Present</b>	<b>30.9</b>	<b>High Risk</b>
9/3/2024	Fort Pond: Industrial	Not Present	17.85	Medium Risk
9/3/2024	Fort Pond: Ramp	Not Present	15.96	Medium Risk
9/9/2024	Fort Pond: Industrial	Not Present	12.21	Medium Risk
9/9/2024	Fort Pond: Ramp	Not Present	12.87	Medium Risk
9/16/2024	Fort Pond: Industrial	Not Present	7.82	Low Risk
9/16/2024	Fort Pond: Ramp	TBD*	33.47	High Risk
9/20/2024	Fort Pond: Industrial	Not Present	11.75	Medium Risk
9/20/2024	Fort Pond: Ramp	Not Present	13.36	Medium Risk
9/23/2024	Fort Pond: Industrial	Not Present	11.68	Medium Risk
9/23/2024	Fort Pond: Ramp	Not Present	13.32	Medium Risk
9/30/2024	Fort Pond: Industrial	Not Present	7.56	Low Risk
9/30/2024	Fort Pond: Ramp	Not Present	10.15	Medium Risk

\*Exact HABs results could be delayed for up to 14 days.

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

<https://www.preservemontauk.org/media/water-testing-results/>