

St. Lucie River Estuary Water Quality Report

This information is provided by the Florida Oceanographic Society with support of the Marine Resources Council. It is collected by the Citizen Volunteer Water Quality Monitoring Network.

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For sample results related to bacteria levels go to:

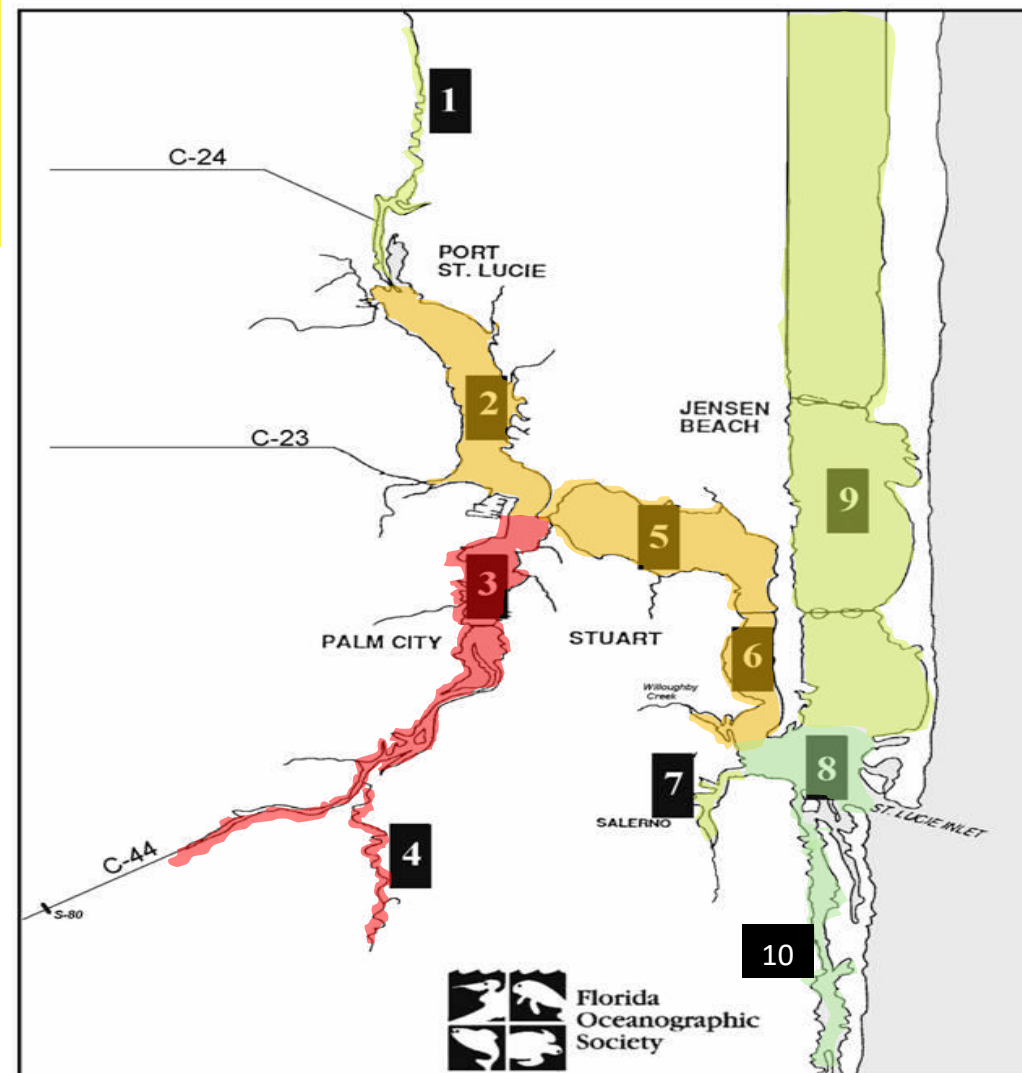
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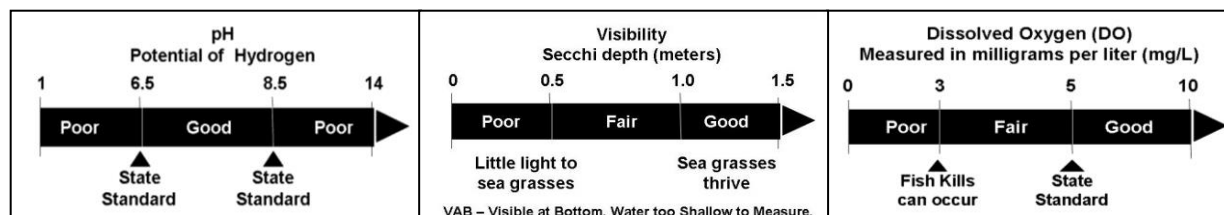
Overall Grade:	68%	D+	POOR
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Zone and Location	Water Temp. (°F)	pH	Visibility (Secchi) Meters	Salinity (ppt)	Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L)	Location Score Grade
1. Winding North Fork	81	7.5	0.6 Fair	1 Fair	4.1 Fair	71% C Satisfactory
2. North Fork	88	8.1	1.0 Fair	1 Poor	5.2 Good	66% D Poor
3. South Fork	86	7.6	0.4 Poor	3 Poor	3.7 Fair	51% F Destructive
4. Winding South Fork	86	7.1	0.5 Poor	1 Poor	2.3 Poor	46% F Destructive
5. Wide Middle River	87	8.0	0.5 Fair	9 Poor	4.8 Fair	61% D Poor
6. Narrow Middle River	90	8.1	0.8 Fair	13 Poor	6.2 Good	66% D Poor
7. Manatee Pocket	82	7.6	1.2 Good	14 Poor	5.7 Good	77% C Satisfactory
8. Inlet Area	88	8.1	0.9 Fair	30 Good	4.9 Fair	81% B Good
9. Indian River Lagoon	89	7.9	0.8 Fair	29 Fair	6.3 Good	76% C Satisfactory
10. Intracoastal Waterway South	90	8.0	1.3 Good	28 Fair	4.9 Fair	81% B Good



Overall Grading				
A	B	C	D	F
100-90	89-80	79-70	69-60	59-0
IDEAL	GOOD	SATISFACTORY	POOR	DESTRUCTIVE

Salinity (ppt) Grading				
Zones	Description	GOOD	FAIR	POOR
1 & 4	Upper North & South Forks	2 - 8	1 - 2 or 8 - 15	< 1 or > 15
2 & 3	Lower North & South Forks	15 - 25	10 - 15 or > 25	< 10
5	Wide Middle River	> 20	15 - 20	< 15
6	Narrow Middle River	> 25	20 - 25	< 20
7	Manatee Pocket	> 27.5	20 - 27.5	< 20
8	Inlet	> 30	25 - 30	< 25
9	IRL & Intracoastal Waterway	> 30	25 - 30	< 25



Comment: The data above may indicate areas of concern in the St. Lucie Estuary. Citizens should call the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) at 871-7662 or the South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD) 223-2600 to ask about the quality of a specific area and report observations of pollution.