Weekly Water Quality Report

Data on water quality to assess habitat health in the St. Lucie Estuary and southern Indian River Lagoon is collected and provided by the Florida Oceanographic Society's Water Quality Understanding Estuary System Trends (WaterQUEST) program. For more information, past reports, or to support our water guality monitoring, visit www.floridaocean.org/water quality

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Good

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> 27.5

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Reporting Week: August 12 2021 to August 18 2021 Week ending August 18, 2021 GRADE **STATUS SCORE HABITAT HEALTH** Habitat Health Overall Grade: D+ (68%) 68% POOR D+ **OVERALL GRADE** Dissolved Water # of Secchi Salinity Score Grade pН Zone Location Temp. Oxygen Ede Status Lucie Visibility (m) Reports (ppt) Waveland (°C) (mg/L)Jensen Beach Winding North 0.2 0 3.2 51% 1 1 30 7.5 Fork Destructive Poor Poor Fair 71% 0 1.2 4.7 2 North Fork 3 31 7.7 North Rive Satisfactory Good Poor Fair Shores 61% 0.4 1 4.3 3 South Fork 5 29 7.5 D Poor Fair Fair Poor Snug Harbo Winding South 0.7 1 2.9 56% 3 7.8 4 31 Fork Fair Poor Poor **Destructive** 0.6 3 3.7 61% Palm Cit 5 Wide Middle River 3 29 7.6 D Golden Gate Fair Poor Fair Poor Narrow Middle 0.7 10 5.6 66% 3 6 28 7.7 D River Fair Poor Good Poor 0.8 61% 11 4.1 7.9 7 Manatee Pocket 3 30 D Fair Poor Fair Poor 27 87% 1.1 5.6 8 Inlet Area 3 30 8.3 в Good Gome Good Fair Good **Indian River** 27 87% 1.2 5.5 North 9 6 30 8.1 в Lagoon Good Good Fair Good Habitat Health Grading Reference Intracoastal 81% 0.9 35 4.1 IDEAL GOOD SATISFACTORY POOR DESTRUCTIVE 10 2 31 7.9 в Waterway South A (90 - 100) B (80 - 89) C (70 - 79) D (60 - 69) F (50 - 59) Fair Good Good Fair Salinity Dissolved Oxygen Visibility Measured in parts per thousand (ppt) Measured in milligrams per liter (mg/L) Secchi Depth (m) Fair Zone Poor 10 0.5 1.0 1.5 3 5 0 1&4 1 - 2 or 8 - 15 < 1 or > 15 2&3 < 10 10 - 15 or > 25 Fair Good Fair Good Poor Poor 5 < 15 15 - 20 Little light to 20 - 25 6 < 20 Seagrasses thrive seagrasses 20 - 27.5 7 < 20 Fish kills can occur State Standard 8.9.&10 < 25 25 - 30

Disclaimer: The data above indicates changes in water quality parameters to evaluate habitat health. This map is not to be used to indicate current bacteria levels, nutrient levels, or the presence of harmful algae blooms. For up to date information on bacteria levels, visit the Florida Health Beaches Program (http://www.floridahealth.gov/environmental-health/beach-water-quality/). For up to date information on nutrients levels, visit ORCA Kilroy (http://api.kilroydata.org/public/) or HBOI LOBO (http://fau.loboviz.com/). For up to date information about algae blooms, visit the Florida DEP's algae bloom dashboard (https://floridadep.gov/algalbloom)