

Weekly Water Quality Report

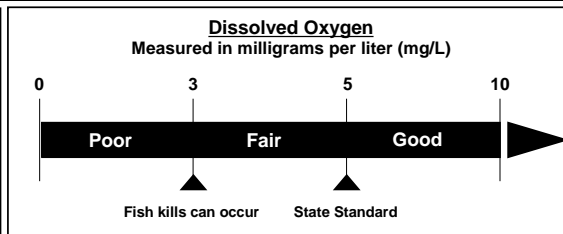
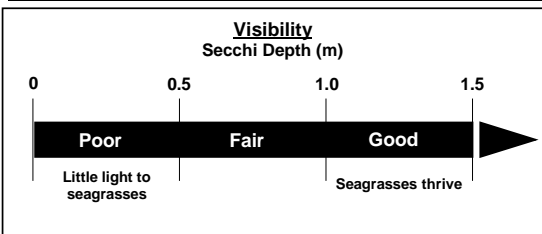
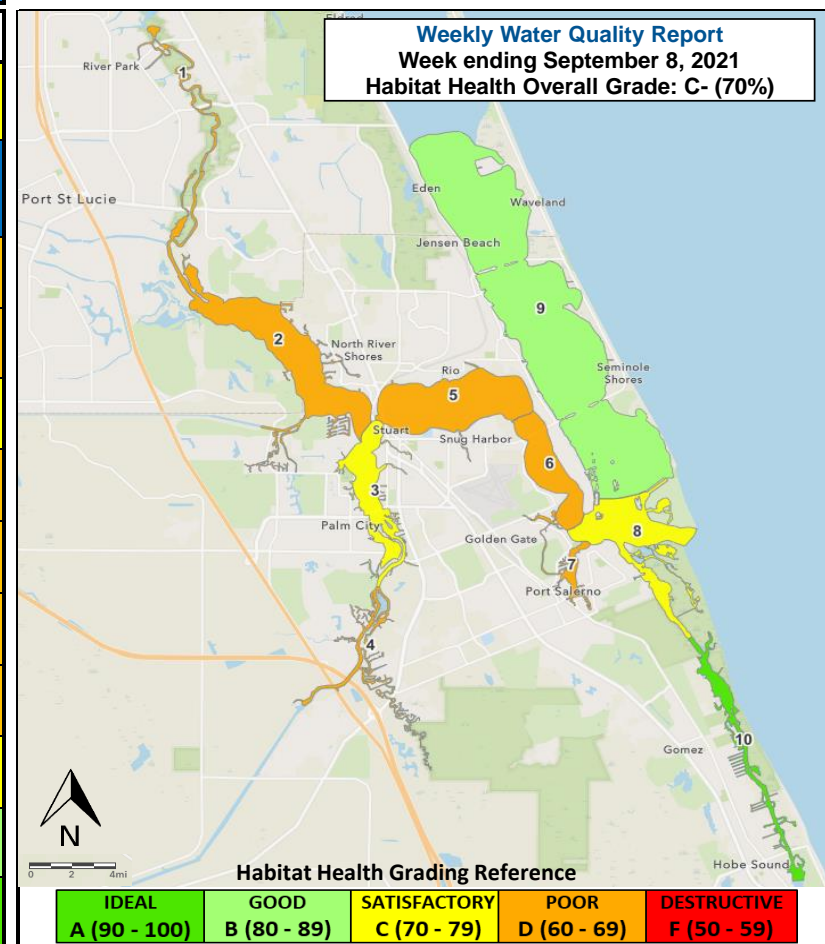
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Reporting Week: September 2 2021 to September 8 2021

HABITAT HEALTH OVERALL GRADE		SCORE 70%		GRADE C-		STATUS SATISFACTORY		
Zone	Location	# of Reports	Water Temp. (°C)	pH	Secchi Visibility (m)	Salinity (ppt)	Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L)	Score Grade Status
1	Winding North Fork	3	25	7.5	0.6 Fair	0 Poor	3.9 Fair	61% D Poor
2	North Fork	3	31	7.6	0.8 Fair	2 Poor	4.2 Fair	61% D Poor
3	South Fork	5	29	7.7	0.5 Poor	3 Good	4.2 Fair	71% C Satisfactory
4	Winding South Fork	4	30	7.8	0.7 Fair	1 Poor	3.1 Fair	61% D Poor
5	Wide Middle River	4	30	7.8	0.6 Fair	7 Poor	4.2 Fair	61% D Poor
6	Narrow Middle River	2	31	7.9	0.7 Fair	13 Poor	6.2 Good	66% D Poor
7	Manatee Pocket	4	29	7.7	0.9 Fair	19 Poor	4.6 Fair	61% D Poor
8	Inlet Area	4	30	8.2	0.8 Fair	27 Fair	5.6 Good	76% C Satisfactory
9	Indian River Lagoon	6	30	8.2	1.5 Good	30 Fair	5.0 Good	87% B Good
10	Intracoastal Waterway South	3	30	7.9	1.3 Good	34 Good	4.7 Fair	92% A Ideal



Salinity
Measured in parts per thousand (ppt)

Zone	Poor	Fair	Good
1 & 4	< 1 or > 15	1 - 2 or 8 - 15	2 - 8
2 & 3	< 10	10 - 15 or > 25	15 - 25
5	< 15	15 - 20	> 20
6	< 20	20 - 25	> 25
7	< 20	20 - 27.5	> 27.5
8, 9, & 10	< 25	25 - 30	> 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/algabloom/>).