

# Weekly Water Quality Report

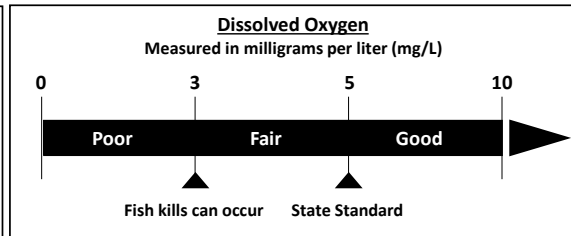
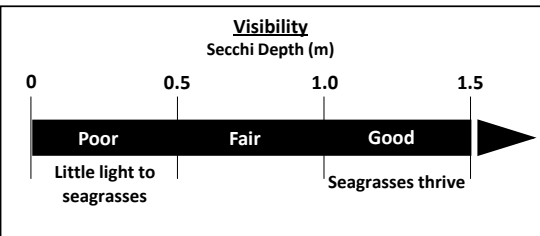
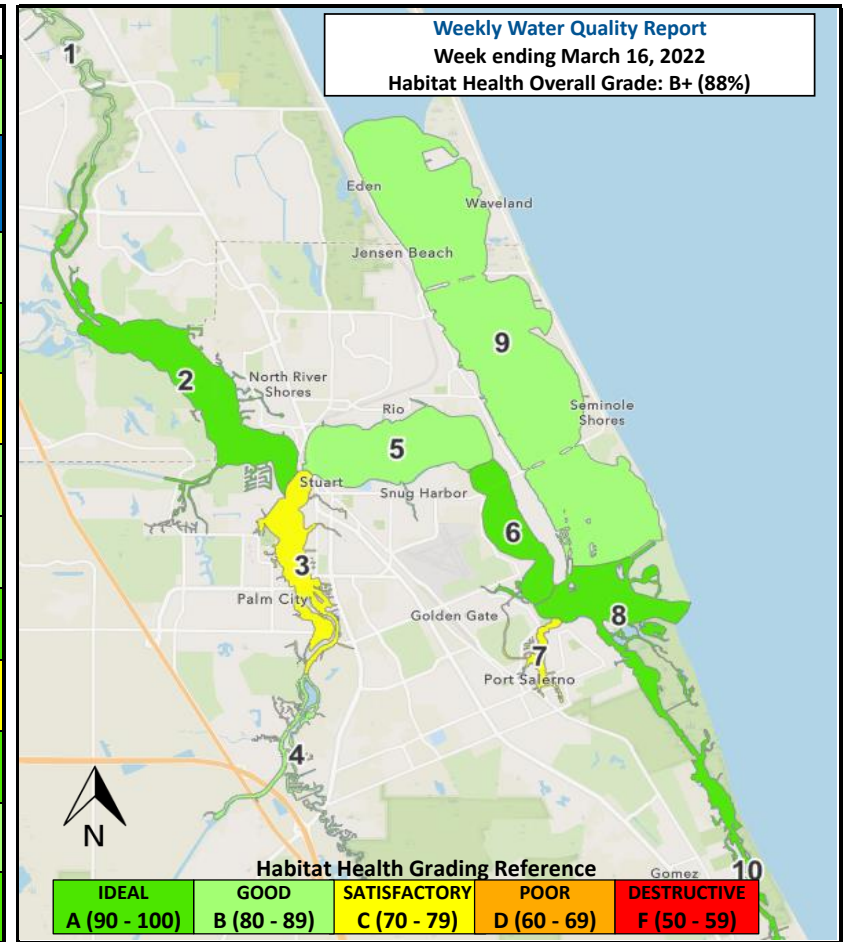
Data on water quality to assess habitat health in the St. Lucie Estuary and southern Indian River Lagoon is collected and provided by the Florida Oceanographic Society's Water Quality Understanding Estuary System Trends (WaterQUEST) program. For more information, past reports, or to support our water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



**WaterQUEST**  
WATER QUALITY UNDERSTANDING ESTUARY SYSTEM TRENDS  
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Reporting Week: March 10 - March 16 2022

HABITAT HEALTH OVERALL GRADE		SCORE <b>88%</b>		GRADE <b>B+</b>		STATUS <b>GOOD</b>		
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	22	7.5	0.7 Fair	3 Good	4.6 Fair	<b>81%</b> Good B
2	North Fork	4	23	8.0	1.0 Good	15 Good	5.9 Good	<b>97%</b> Ideal A
3	South Fork	5	21	7.9	0.7 Fair	18 Fair	6.9 Good	<b>76%</b> Satisfactory C
4	Winding South Fork	5	23	7.8	0.9 Fair	5 Good	5.8 Good	<b>87%</b> Good B
5	Wide Middle River	3	21	7.8	0.6 Fair	26 Good	5.7 Good	<b>87%</b> Good B
6	Narrow Middle River	4	23	8.0	1.2 Good	30 Good	6.9 Good	<b>97%</b> Ideal A
7	Manatee Pocket	3	24	7.4	0.8 Fair	26 Fair	4.0 Fair	<b>71%</b> Satisfactory C
8	Inlet Area	4	24	8.3	1.0 Good	34 Good	6.3 Good	<b>97%</b> Ideal A
9	Indian River Lagoon	5	21	8.0	0.7 Fair	36 Good	6.4 Good	<b>87%</b> Good B
10	Intracoastal Waterway South	2	23	7.9	1.1 Good	36 Good	5.9 Good	<b>97%</b> Ideal A



**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 ([www.floridahealth.gov/environmental-health/beach-water-quality](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 ([www.irlon.org/?health](http://www.irlon.org/?health)). For up to date information about algae blooms, visit the Florida DEP's algae bloom dashboard ([www.floridadep.gov/algabloom](http://www.floridadep.gov/algabloom)).