

Weekly Water Quality Report

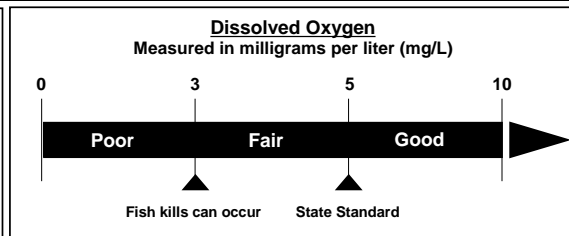
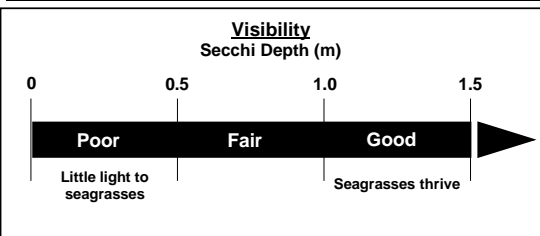
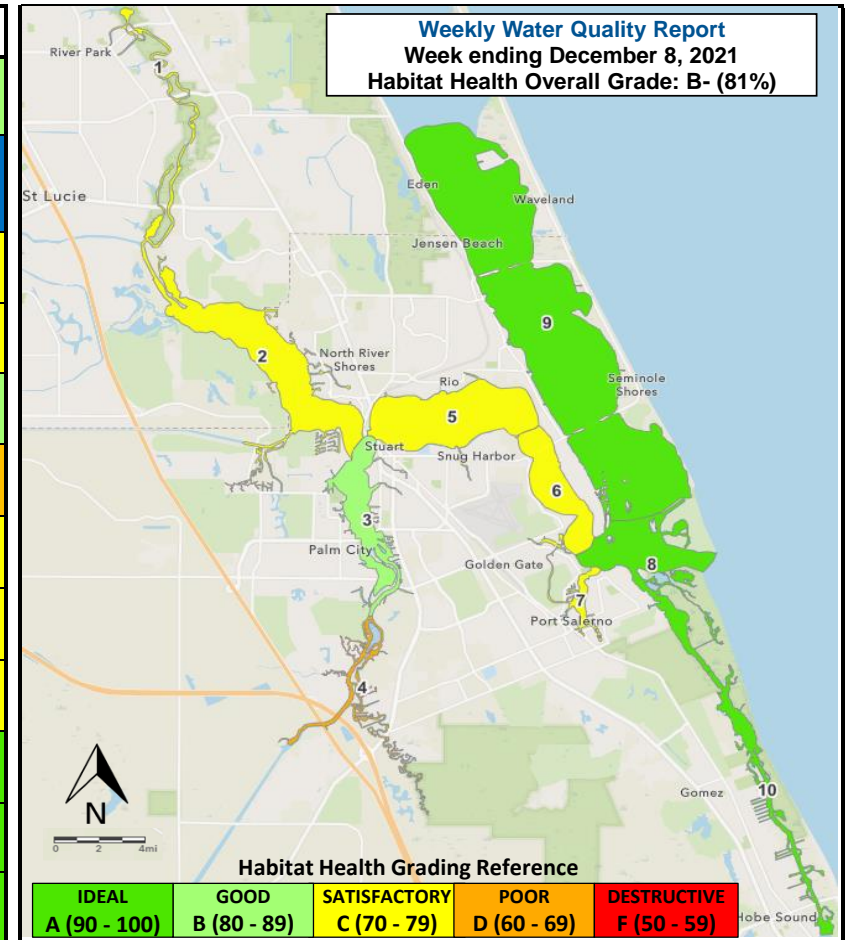
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Reporting Week: December 2 2021 to December 8 2021

HABITAT HEALTH OVERALL GRADE		SCORE 81%		GRADE B-		STATUS GOOD		
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	18	7.5	0.8 Fair	2 Fair	5.0 Fair	71% C Satisfactory
2	North Fork	5	22	7.8	1.1 Good	8 Poor	5.7 Good	77% C Satisfactory
3	South Fork	5	21	7.8	0.9 Fair	8 Good	6.7 Good	87% B Good
4	Winding South Fork	5	20	7.5	0.8 Fair	1 Poor	4.0 Fair	61% D Poor
5	Wide Middle River	4	23	7.8	1.0 Fair	18 Fair	5.8 Good	76% C Satisfactory
6	Narrow Middle River	1	25	7.6	1.5 Good	15 Poor	4.5 Fair	71% C Satisfactory
7	Manatee Pocket	4	24	7.7	1.2 Good	20 Poor	5.4 Good	77% C Satisfactory
8	Inlet Area	3	24	8.3	1.3 Good	32 Good	5.7 Good	97% A Ideal
9	Indian River Lagoon	7	22	8.1	1.7 Good	32 Good	5.9 Good	97% A Ideal
10	Intracoastal Waterway South	2	23	7.5	1.5 Good	30 Good	4.6 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/>).