

**Final Massachusetts Integrated List of Waters for the
Clean Water Act 2022 Reporting Cycle**

**Appendix 19
Narragansett Bay (Shore) Drainage Area
Assessment and Listing Decision Summary**

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2022 Cycle Impairment Changes

Waterbody	AU_ID	2018/20 AU Category	2022 AU Category	Impairment	ATTAINS Action ID	Impairment Change Summary
Bad Luck Brook	MA53-11	2	2	None		Unchanged
Beaverdam Brook	MA53-10	3	3	None		Unchanged
Bliss Brook	MA53-19	5	5	Escherichia Coli (E. Coli)		Unchanged
Clear Run Brook	MA53-13	5	5	Benthic Macroinvertebrates		Added
Clear Run Brook	MA53-13	5	5	Dissolved Oxygen		Unchanged
Clear Run Brook	MA53-13	5	5	Escherichia Coli (E. Coli)	35097	Unchanged
Clear Run Brook	MA53-13	5	5	Fecal Coliform	35097	Unchanged
East Branch Palmer River	MA53-08	2	5	Escherichia Coli (E. Coli)		Added
East Branch Palmer River	MA53-08	2	5	Lead		Added
Fullers Brook	MA53-12	4a	4a	Escherichia Coli (E. Coli)	35089	Unchanged
Oak Swamp Brook	MA53-15	4a	4a	Escherichia Coli (E. Coli)	35091	Unchanged
Palmer River	MA53-03	4a	5	Enterococcus		Added
Palmer River	MA53-03	4a	5	Fecal Coliform	35085	Unchanged
Palmer River	MA53-05	4a	5	Enterococcus		Added
Palmer River	MA53-05	4a	5	Fecal Coliform	35087	Unchanged
Palmer River	MA53-22	5	5	Benthic Macroinvertebrates		Added
Palmer River	MA53-22	5	5	Escherichia Coli (E. Coli)	35086	Unchanged
Palmer River	MA53-22	5	5	Fecal Coliform	35086	Unchanged
Palmer River	MA53-22	5	5	Lack of a Coldwater Assemblage		Added
Palmer River	MA53-22	5	5	Temperature		Unchanged
Rocky Run	MA53-16	4a	5	Enterococcus		Added
Rocky Run	MA53-16	4a	5	Escherichia Coli (E. Coli)	35096	Unchanged
Rocky Run	MA53-16	4a	5	Fecal Coliform	35096	Unchanged
Rocky Run	MA53-18	4a	5	Enterococcus		Added
Rocky Run	MA53-18	4a	5	Fecal Coliform	35096	Unchanged
Rumney Marsh Brook	MA53-09	3	3	None		Unchanged
Runnins River	MA53-01	5	5	(Fish Passage Barrier*)		Added
Runnins River	MA53-01	5	5	Benthic Macroinvertebrates		Unchanged
Runnins River	MA53-01	5	5	Dissolved Oxygen		Unchanged
Runnins River	MA53-01	5	5	Escherichia Coli (E. Coli)	38903	Unchanged
Runnins River	MA53-01	5	5	Fecal Coliform	38903	Unchanged
Runnins River	MA53-01	5	5	Mercury in Fish Tissue	33880	Unchanged
Runnins River	MA53-01	5	5	Nutrient/Eutrophication Biological Indicators		Unchanged
Runnins River	MA53-20	5	5	Benthic Macroinvertebrates		Added
Runnins River	MA53-20	5	5	Escherichia Coli (E. Coli)		Unchanged
Shad Factory Pond	MA53005	5	5	(Dewatering*)		Unchanged
Shad Factory Pond	MA53005	5	5	Fecal Coliform	35086	Unchanged
Shad Factory Pond	MA53005	5	5	Nutrient/Eutrophication Biological Indicators		Unchanged
Torrey Creek	MA53-14	4a	5	(Alteration in Stream-side or Littoral Vegetative Covers*)		Unchanged
Torrey Creek	MA53-14	4a	5	(Habitat Assessment*)		Unchanged

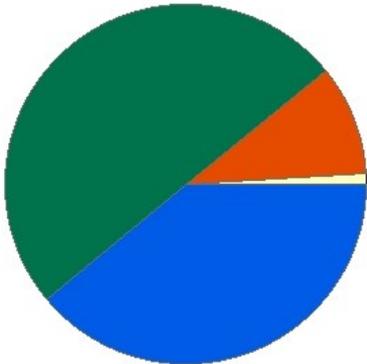
Waterbody	AU_ID	2018/20 AU Category	2022 AU Category	Impairment	ATTAINS Action ID	Impairment Change Summary
Torrey Creek	MA53-14	4a	5	Enterococcus		Added
Torrey Creek	MA53-14	4a	5	Escherichia Coli (E. Coli)	35088	Unchanged
Torrey Creek	MA53-17	4a	4a	Fecal Coliform	35088	Unchanged
Unnamed Tributary	MA53-21	5	5	Escherichia Coli (E. Coli)		Unchanged
Warren River Pond	MA53-06	4a	4a	Fecal Coliform	38904	Unchanged
West Branch Palmer River	MA53-07	2	5	(Fish Passage Barrier*)		Added
West Branch Palmer River	MA53-07	2	5	Dissolved Oxygen		Added

Bad Luck Brook (MA53-11)

Location:	Headwaters, outlet Warren Upper Reservoir, Rehoboth to confluence with East Branch Palmer River, Rehoboth.
AU Type:	RIVER
AU Size:	1.7 MILES
Classification/Qualifier:	B

Bad Luck Brook - MA53-11

Watershed Area: 4.97 square miles



Percent Agriculture
 Percent Natural
 Percent Developed
 Percent Wetland

Landuse Type	Entire Basin	5km Radius Proximal Subbasin	100m Stream Buffer	Proximal Stream Buffer
Land Use Area (square miles)	4.97	4.97	0.8	0.8
Agriculture	1%	1%	1.5%	1.5%
Developed	9.8%	9.8%	7.4%	7.4%
Natural	50.1%	50.1%	44.3%	44.3%
Wetland	39%	39%	46.8%	46.8%
Impervious Cover	3.9%			

2018/20 AU Category	2022 AU Category	Impairment	ATTAINS Action ID	Impairment Change Summary
2	2	None		Unchanged

Designated Use Attainment Decisions

Fish, other Aquatic Life and Wildlife

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Fully Supporting	YES
2022 Use Attainment Summary	

DMF biologists note two structures causing passage limitation to diadromous fish in Bad Luck Brook. The Upper Warren Reservoir Dam (NATID# MA00794) at the boundary between Warren Upper Reservoir (currently not an AU) and Bad Luck Brook, was given a passage score of "10" on a 0-10 scale, indicating that the dam allows no possible passage of the targeted fish species, river herring and American eel. DMF biologists also note that a fishway is needed at Upper Reservoir, but that there are low flow concerns due to water supply. Further downstream, the Bad Luck Brook Dam (NATID# MA03077), just upstream of County Street in Rehoboth, was also given a passage score of "10". The population score was noted to be "0" (no run present) for both structures; consequently, an impairment decision will not be made at this time. EPA conducted discrete water quality monitoring at Kelton (EPA_BL12), Elm (EPA_BL11) and County Street (EPA_BL10), Rehoboth, during the summer of 2012 and 2013. Most data were indicative of good water quality (a summary incorporating data from all three stations follows): pH ranged from 5.6-7.0SU (n=8) (with 7 out of 8 measurements falling below 6.5SU and once below 6.0SU); maximum temperature 21.8°C (n=2); minimum DO 6.4mg/L and maximum saturation 125.4% (with most measurements much less than 125%) (n=8). Specific conductance was all low with a max of 127µS/cm (n=8), with none measuring above the estimated chloride criterion. The low pH measurements throughout Bad Luck Brook are of note but are judged to be a natural condition due to the large amount of wetland (wooded and shrub swamp) in the watershed, as depicted by the MassGIS detailed wetland layer. The Aquatic Life Use of Bad Luck Brook (MA53-11) will continue to be assessed as Fully Supporting based on the EPA water quality data being indicative of good conditions. The prior Alert holds as "Need for improvement of fish passage at dams", based on the DMF passage scores assigned to the Upper Warren Reservoir Dam and the Bad Luck Brook Dam.

Monitoring Stations

Station Code	Organization	Type	Water Body	Station Description	Latitude	Longitude
EPA_BL10	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Bad Luck Brook	Bad Luck Brook @ County Street, Rehoboth	41.842018	-71.233902
EPA_BL11	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Bad Luck Brook	Bad Luck Brook @ Elm Street, Rehoboth	41.838653	-71.232656
EPA_BL12	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Bad Luck Brook	Bad Luck Brook @ Kelton Street, Rehoboth	41.831414	-71.223928

Biological Monitoring Information

Habitat and Flow Data (anthropogenic alterations)

MassDMF Status of Priority Diadromous Fish Passage Barriers. (Chase 2020)

Assessment Summary
DMF biologists note two structures causing passage limitation to diadromous fish, in the lower half and also at the upper end of the Bad Luck Brook AU. The Upper Warren Reservoir Dam (NATID# MA00794) at the boundary between Warren Upper Reservoir (currently not an AU) and Bad Luck Brook, was given a passage score of "10" on a 0-10 scale, indicating that the dam allows no possible passage of the targeted fish species, river herring and American eel. DMF biologists also note that a fishway is needed at Upper Reservoir, but that there are low flow concerns due to water supply. Further down the AU, the Bad Luck Brook Dam (NATID# MA03077), just upstream of County Street in Rehoboth, was also given a passage score of "10", indicating that this dam also allows no possible passage of the same targeted fish species. The population score was noted to be "0" (no run present) for both structures; consequently, an impairment decision can't be made at this time for Bad Luck Brook (Assessment Unit MA53-11).

Physico-chemical Water Quality Information

DO, pH, Temperature

EPA Freshwater Discrete Dissolved Oxygen Data (2012-2013). (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)

[CW= Coldwater, WW= Warmwater]

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	DO Count	DO Min (mg/L)	DO Avg (mg/L)	Count CW <5.0	Count WW Early Life Stages <5.0	Count WW Other Life Stages <4.0
EPA_BL10	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	13.5	13.5	0	0	0
EPA_BL10	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	6.8	8.2	0	0	0
EPA_BL11	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	13.3	13.3	0	0	0
EPA_BL11	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	6.4	8.1	0	0	0
EPA_BL12	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	10.3	10.3	0	0	0
EPA_BL12	09/25/13	09/25/13	1	6.4	6.4	0	0	0

EPA Freshwater Discrete Temperature Data (2012, 2013 & 2016-2019). (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)

[Summer Index is June 1 – Sept 15; CW= Coldwater, WW= Warmwater]

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	Temp Count	Index Count	Temp Max (°C)	Temp Avg (°C)	Count CW >20	Count CW >22	Count WW >28.3	Count WW >30.3
EPA_BL10	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	0	12.0	12.0	0	0	0	0
EPA_BL10	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	1	21.8	17.2	1	0	0	0
EPA_BL11	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	0	13.0	13.0	0	0	0	0
EPA_BL11	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	1	21.5	17.2	1	0	0	0
EPA_BL12	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	0	15.1	15.1	0	0	0	0
EPA_BL12	09/25/13	09/25/13	1	0	13.8	13.8	0	0	0	0

EPA Discrete pH Data (2012-2013). (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	pH Count	pH Min (SU)	pH Max (SU)	pH Count <6.5 or >8.3	pH Count <6.0 or >8.8
EPA_BL10	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	6.1	6.1	1	0
EPA_BL10	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	6.1	7.0	1	0
EPA_BL11	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	6.0	6.0	1	0
EPA_BL11	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	6.0	6.9	1	0
EPA_BL12	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	5.6	5.6	1	1
EPA_BL12	09/25/13	09/25/13	1	6.9	6.9	0	0

Nutrients (Primary Producer Screening, Physico-chemical Screening)

EPA Freshwater Nutrient Enrichment Indicator Data (2012, 2013 & 2016-2019). (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)

[Summer seasonal total phosphorus data collected May-Sept]

Station Code	Data Year	Seasonal TP Count	Seasonal TP Min (mg/L)	Seasonal TP Max (mg/L)	Seasonal TP Avg (mg/L)	DO Sat Max (%)	pH Max (SU)
EPA_BL10	2012	--	--	--	--	125.4	6.1
EPA_BL10	2013	--	--	--	--	90.9	7.0
EPA_BL11	2012	--	--	--	--	120.6	6.0
EPA_BL11	2013	--	--	--	--	93.0	6.9
EPA_BL12	2012	--	--	--	--	102.9	5.6
EPA_BL12	2013	--	--	--	--	61.1	6.9

Toxics and other pollutants (metals, ammonia, chloride, chlorine)

EPA Discrete Specific Conductance Data (2012-2013, 2016-2019) Compared to Estimated Chloride Criteria. (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	SpCond Count	SpCond Min (µs/cm)	SpCond Max (µs/cm)	Count SpCond >904	Count SpCond >994	Count SpCond >3193	Count SpCond >3512	Consecutive sets >904	Consecutive sets >994
EPA_BL10	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	108	108	0	0	0	0	0	0
EPA_BL10	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	115	122	0	0	0	0	0	0
EPA_BL11	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	105	105	0	0	0	0	0	0
EPA_BL11	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	110	127	0	0	0	0	0	0
EPA_BL12	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	100	100	0	0	0	0	0	0
EPA_BL12	09/25/13	09/25/13	1	97	97	0	0	0	0	0	0

Fish Consumption

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Not Assessed	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
No site-specific fish consumption advisory has been issued by DPH; therefore, the Fish Consumption Use for Bad Luck Brook (MA53-11) is Not Assessed.	

Aesthetic

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Not Assessed	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
No data are available to assess the status of the Aesthetic Use for Bad Luck Brook (MA53-11), so it is Not Assessed.	

Primary Contact Recreation

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Insufficient Information	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
<i>E. coli</i> bacteria data were collected in Bad Luck Brook (MA53-11) at the following sampling stations (data years): EPA 1-2 times per year –at Kelton (EPA_BL12), Elm (EPA_BL11) and County Street (EPA_BL10), Rehoboth, during the summer of 2012 and 2013. The available bacteria data are too limited to assess the Primary Contact Recreational Use for this AU according to the CALM “Use Attainment Impairment Decision Schema”; consequently, the Bad Luck Brook is assessed as having Insufficient Information available to make a Primary Contact Recreational Use assessment decision.	

Monitoring Stations

Station Code	Organization	Type	Water Body	Station Description	Latitude	Longitude
EPA_BL10	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Bad Luck Brook	Bad Luck Brook @ County Street, Rehoboth	41.842018	-71.233902
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EPA_BL12	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Bad Luck Brook	Bad Luck Brook @ Kelton Street, Rehoboth	41.831414	-71.223928

*Bacteria Data***Bacteria Data Collected by MassDEP and External Data Providers 2011-2020 (90-day Interval Analysis) (EPA 2020)**

(MassDEP Undated 3)

[Result units are CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml]

Station Code	Organization	Indicator	Start Date	End Date	Sample Count	Minimum Sample Result	Maximum Sample Result	Seasonal Geometric Mean
EPA_BL10	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	101	101	101
EPA_BL10	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	244	560	370
EPA_BL11	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	334	334	334
EPA_BL11	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	285	1045	546
EPA_BL12	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	4	4	4
EPA_BL12	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	30	30	30

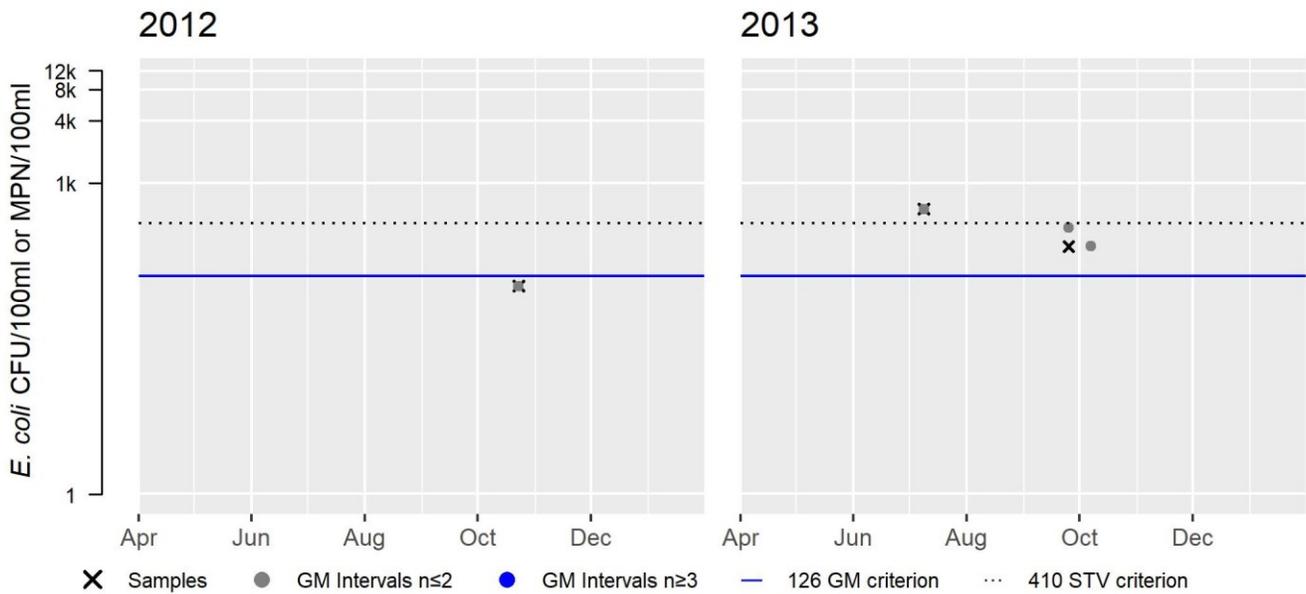
EPA_BL10 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Primary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	1
SeasGM	101
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Var	Res
Samples	2
SeasGM	370
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	1
%n>STV	50

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

Variable	Cumulative %GMI Ex (all years)
Result	0



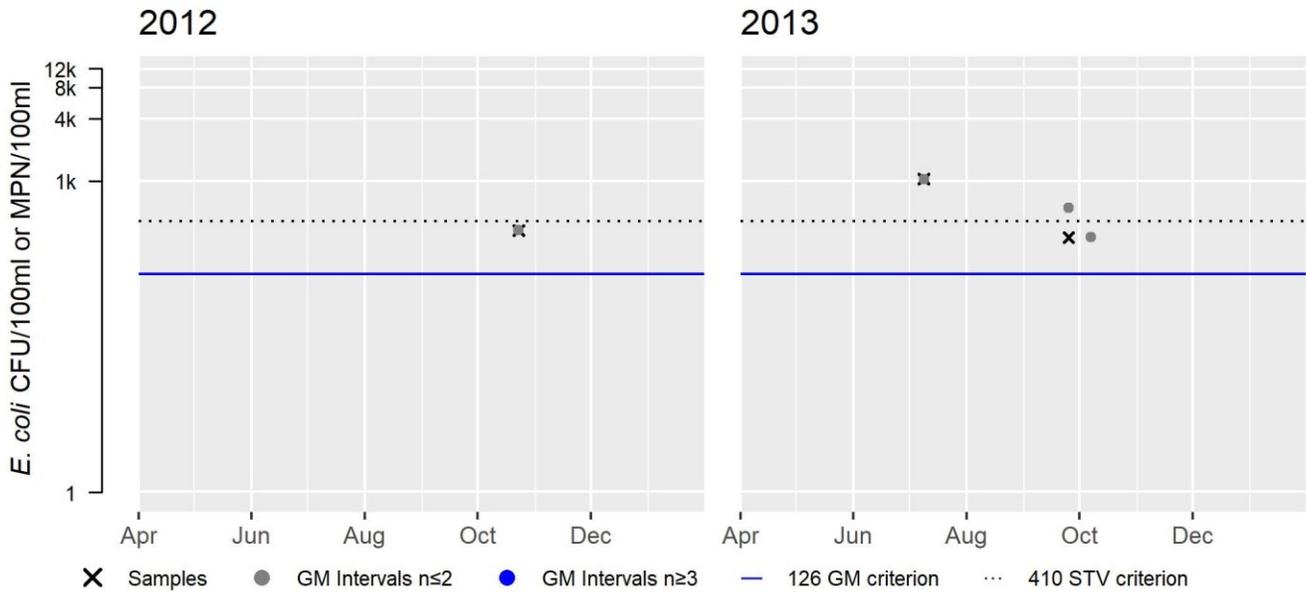
EPA_BL11 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Primary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	1
SeasGM	334
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Var	Res
Samples	2
SeasGM	546
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	1
%n>STV	50

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

Variable	Cumulative %GMI Ex (all years)
Result	0



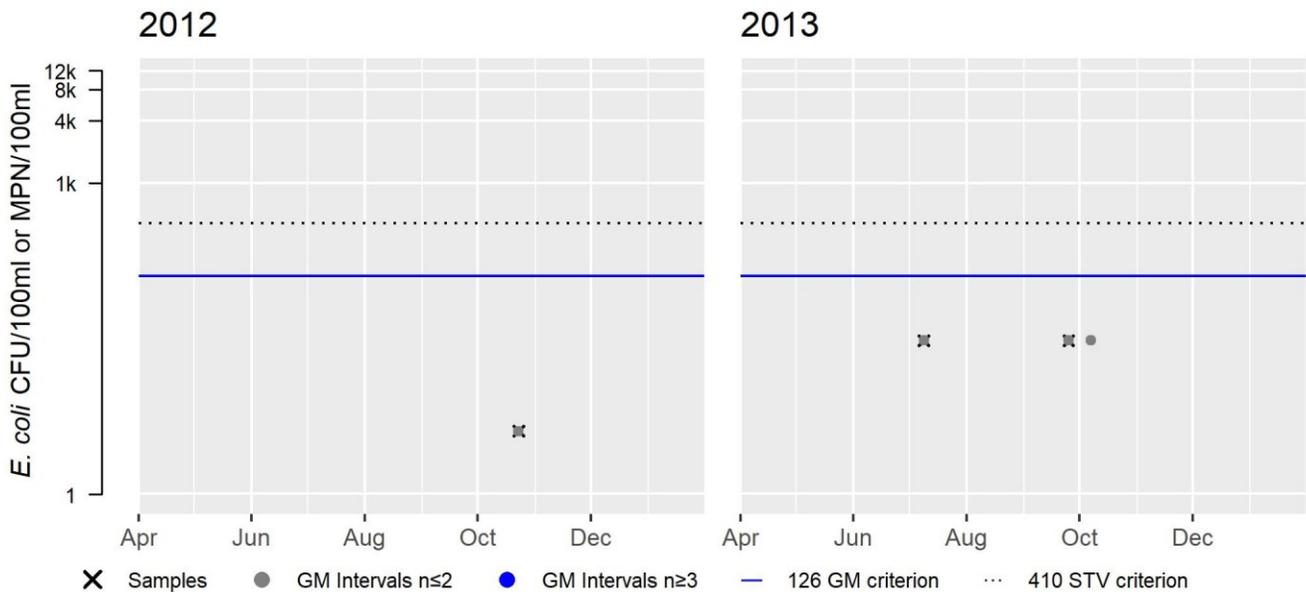
EPA_BL12 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Primary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	1
SeasGM	4
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Var	Res
Samples	2
SeasGM	30
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

Variable	Cumulative %GMI Ex (all years)
Result	0



Secondary Contact Recreation

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Insufficient Information	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
<p><i>E. coli</i> bacteria data were collected in Bad Luck Brook (MA53-11) at the following sampling stations (data years): EPA 1-2 times per year –at Kelton (EPA_BL12), Elm (EPA_BL11) and County Street (EPA_BL10), Rehoboth, during the summer of 2012 and 2013. The available bacteria data are too limited to assess the Secondary Contact Recreational Use for this AU according to the CALM “Use Attainment Impairment Decision Schema”; consequently, the Bad Luck Brook is assessed as having Insufficient Information available to make a Secondary Contact Recreational Use assessment decision.</p>	

Monitoring Stations

Station Code	Organization	Type	Water Body	Station Description	Latitude	Longitude
EPA_BL10	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Bad Luck Brook	Bad Luck Brook @ County Street, Rehoboth	41.842018	-71.233902
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EPA_BL12	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Bad Luck Brook	Bad Luck Brook @ Kelton Street, Rehoboth	41.831414	-71.223928

Bacteria Data

Bacteria Data Collected by MassDEP and External Data Providers 2011-2020 (90-day Interval Analysis) (EPA 2020)

(MassDEP Undated 3)

[Result units are CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml]

Station Code	Organization	Indicator	Start Date	End Date	Sample Count	Minimum Sample Result (CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml)	Maximum Sample Result (CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml)	Seasonal Geometric Mean (CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml)
EPA_BL10	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	101	101	101
EPA_BL10	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	244	560	370
EPA_BL11	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	334	334	334
EPA_BL11	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	285	1045	546
EPA_BL12	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	4	4	4
EPA_BL12	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	30	30	30

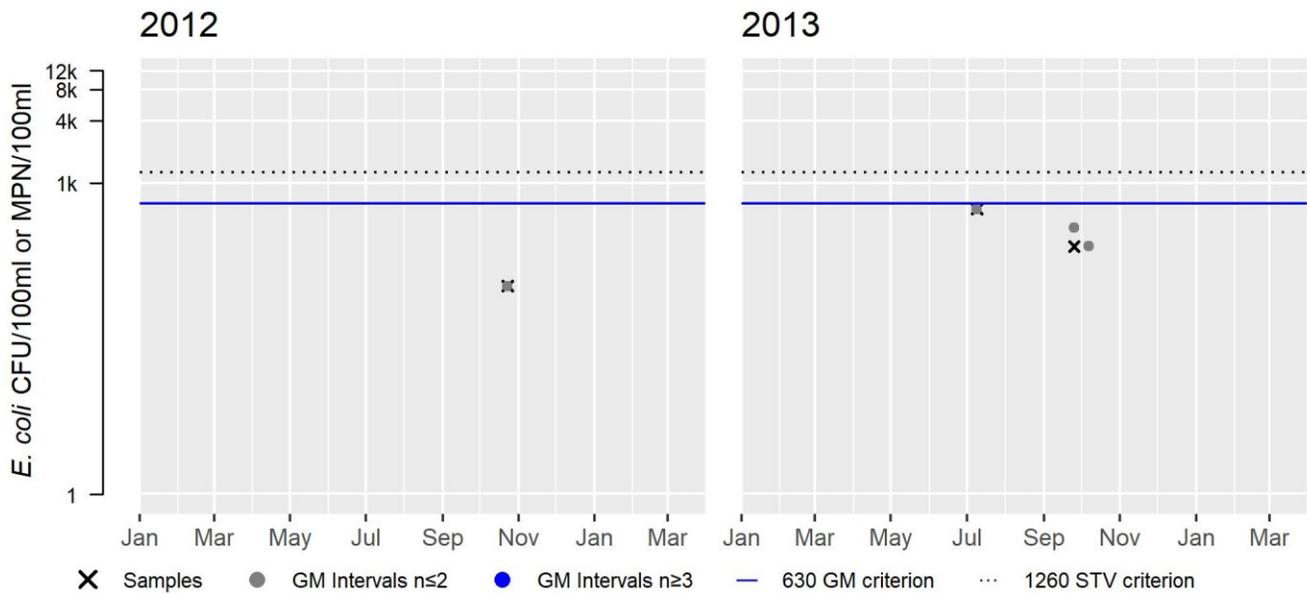
EPA_BL10 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Secondary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	1
SeasGM	101
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Var	Res
Samples	2
SeasGM	370
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

Variable	Cumulative %GMI Ex (all years)
Result	0



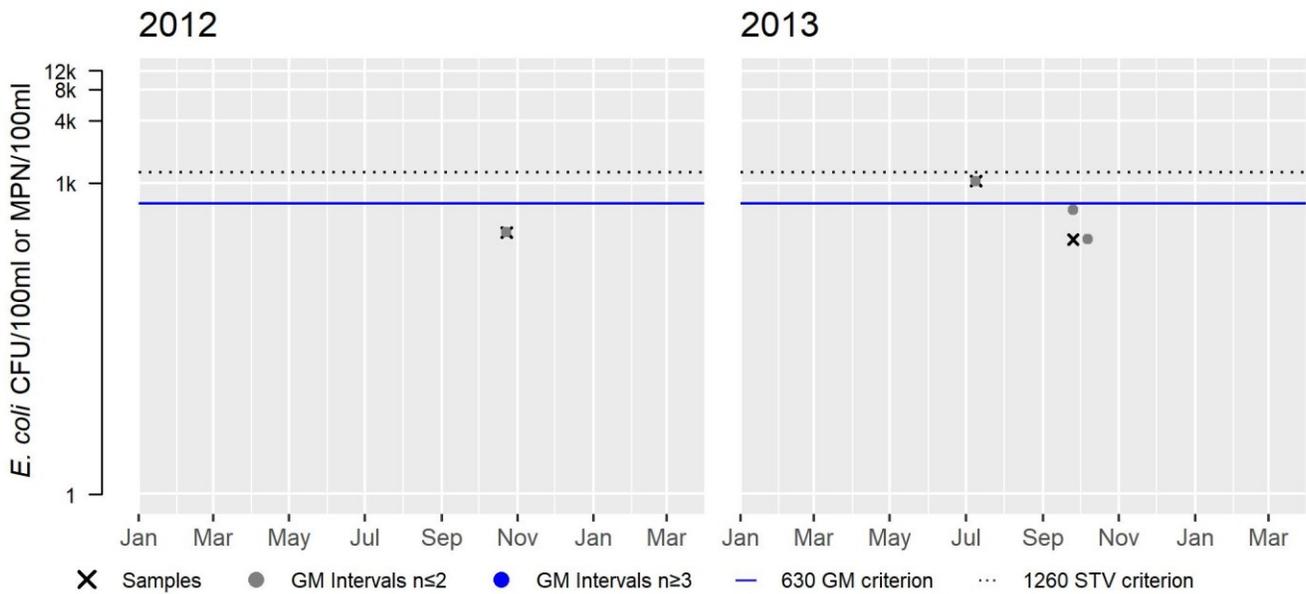
EPA_BL11 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Secondary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	1
SeasGM	334
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Var	Res
Samples	2
SeasGM	546
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

Variable	Cumulative %GMI Ex (all years)
Result	0



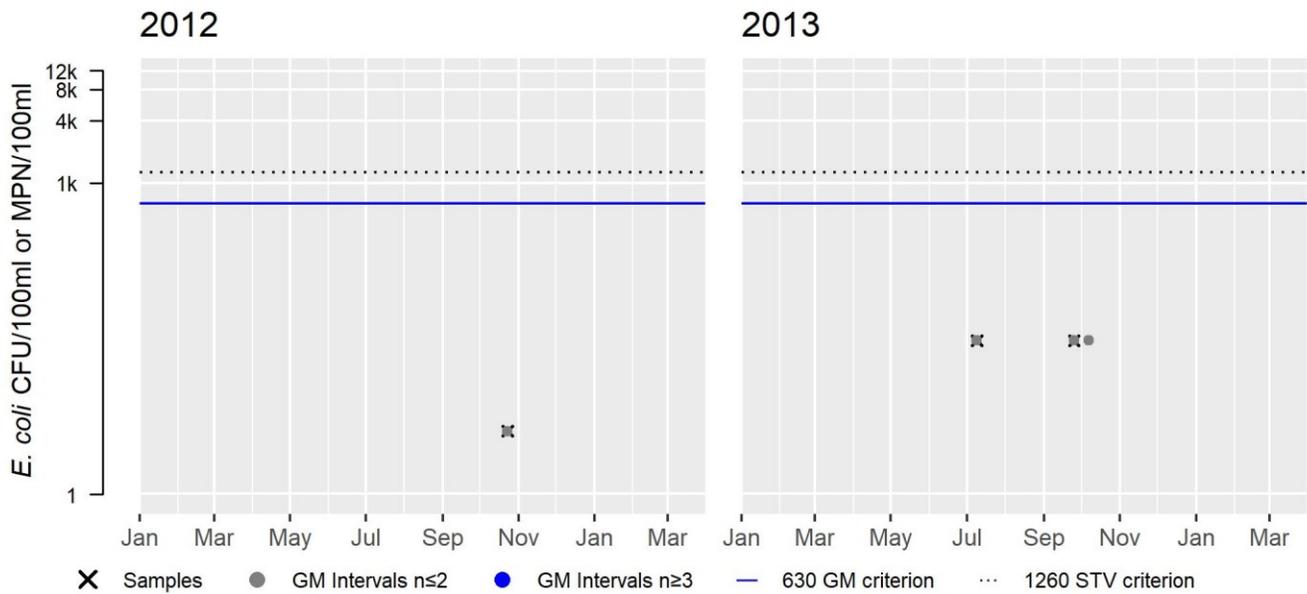
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Var	Res
Samples	1
SeasGM	4
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Var	Res
Samples	2
SeasGM	30
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

Variable	Cumulative %GMI Ex (all years)
Result	0

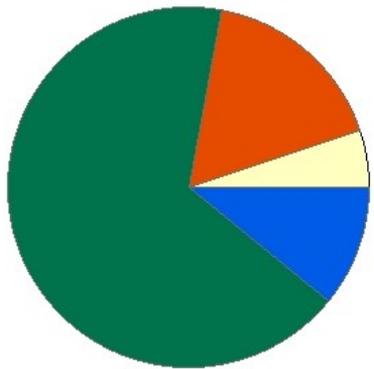


Beaverdam Brook (MA53-10)

Location:	Headwaters, southeast of Chestnut Street, Rehoboth to confluence with Palmer River, Rehoboth.
AU Type:	RIVER
AU Size:	2.9 MILES
Classification/Qualifier:	B

Beaverdam Brook - MA53-10

Watershed Area: 1.67 square miles



Percent Agriculture
 Percent Natural
 Percent Developed
 Percent Wetland

Landuse Type	Entire Basin	5km Radius Proximal Subbasin	100m Stream Buffer	Proximal Stream Buffer
Land Use Area (square miles)	1.67	1.67	0.69	0.69
Agriculture	5.1%	5.1%	5.8%	5.8%
Developed	17%	17%	11.6%	11.6%
Natural	67%	67%	74.2%	74.2%
Wetland	10.9%	10.9%	8.4%	8.4%
Impervious Cover	5.9%			

2018/20 AU Category	2022 AU Category	Impairment	ATTAINS Action ID	Impairment Change Summary
3	3	None		Unchanged

Recommendations

2022 Recommendations

ALU: Additional DO monitoring in Beaverdam Brook is recommended to confirm that episodes of low DO are a result of natural conditions.

Designated Use Attainment Decisions

Fish, other Aquatic Life and Wildlife

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Insufficient Information	YES
2022 Use Attainment Summary	

EPA conducted discrete water quality monitoring in Beaverdam Brook at Chestnut (EPA_BB15), Summer (EPA_BB16) and Pond Street (EPA_BB14), Rehoboth, during the summer of 2012 and 2013. The data was limited but most were indicative of good water quality (a summary incorporating data from all stations follows): pH ranged from 5.5-7.3SU (n=9) (with 4 out of 9 measurements falling below 6.5SU and twice below 6.0SU); maximum temperature 22°C (n=3); minimum DO 2.7mg/L (with all except one measurement >5mg/L) and maximum DO saturation 96.1% (n=9). Specific conductance was all low with a max of 180µS/cm (n=9), with none measuring above the estimated chronic criterion. The low pH measurements throughout Beaverdam Brook are of note but are judged to be a natural condition due to the large amount of wetland (wooded swamp and deep marsh) in the watershed, as depicted by the MassGIS detailed wetland layer. Similarly, the one incidence of very low DO at Chestnut Street is judged to be a result of natural conditions due to the large amount of wetland in the watershed, with wetland constituting 10.9% basin wide and 8.4% in the proximal stream buffer. There is insufficient information to assess the Aquatic Life Use of Beaverdam Brook (MA53-10). In consideration of the extremity of the one low DO measurement, an Alert will be added with a recommendation to conduct more DO monitoring in this AU.

Monitoring Stations

Station Code	Organization	Type	Water Body	Station Description	Latitude	Longitude
EPA_BB14	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Beaverdam Brook	Beaverdam Brook @ Pond Street, Rehoboth]	41.834897	-71.270274
EPA_BB15	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Beaverdam Brook	Beaverdam Brook @ Chestnut Street, Rehoboth	41.827112	-71.241183
EPA_BB16	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Beaverdam Brook	Beaverdam Brook @ Summer Street, Rehoboth	41.831583	-71.25998

Physico-chemical Water Quality Information

DO, pH, Temperature

EPA Freshwater Discrete Dissolved Oxygen Data (2012-2013). (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)

[CW= Coldwater, WW= Warmwater]

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	DO Count	DO Min (mg/L)	DO Avg (mg/L)	Count CW <5.0	Count WW Early Life Stages <5.0	Count WW Other Life Stages <4.0
EPA_BB14	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	6.6	6.6	0	0	0
EPA_BB14	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	5.5	7.1	0	0	0
EPA_BB15	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	6.8	6.8	0	0	0
EPA_BB15	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	2.7	4.1	1	1	1
EPA_BB16	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	10.2	10.2	0	0	0
EPA_BB16	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	7.0	8.7	0	0	0

EPA Freshwater Discrete Temperature Data (2012, 2013 & 2016-2019). (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)

[Summer Index is June 1 – Sept 15; CW= Coldwater, WW= Warmwater]

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	Temp Count	Index Count	Temp Max (°C)	Temp Avg (°C)	Count CW >20	Count CW >22	Count WW >28.3	Count WW >30.3
EPA_BB14	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	0	9.7	9.7	0	0	0	0
EPA_BB14	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	1	20.8	15.8	1	0	0	0
EPA_BB15	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	0	12.8	12.8	0	0	0	0
EPA_BB15	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	1	20.0	15.9	0	0	0	0
EPA_BB16	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	0	16.6	16.6	0	0	0	0
EPA_BB16	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	1	22.0	17.0	1	0	0	0

EPA Discrete pH Data (2012-2013). (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	pH Count	pH Min (SU)	pH Max (SU)	pH Count <6.5 or >8.3	pH Count <6.0 or >8.8
EPA_BB14	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	6.4	6.4	1	0
EPA_BB14	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	6.2	7.2	1	0
EPA_BB15	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	5.5	5.5	1	1
EPA_BB15	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	5.5	7.1	1	1
EPA_BB16	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	6.6	6.6	0	0
EPA_BB16	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	6.5	7.3	0	0

Nutrients (Primary Producer Screening, Physico-chemical Screening)

EPA Freshwater Nutrient Enrichment Indicator Data (2012, 2013 & 2016-2019). (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)

[Summer seasonal total phosphorus data collected May-Sept]

Station Code	Data Year	Seasonal TP Count	Seasonal TP Min (mg/L)	Seasonal TP Max (mg/L)	Seasonal TP Avg (mg/L)	DO Sat Max (%)	pH Max (SU)
EPA_BB14	2012	--	--	--	--	50.9	6.4
EPA_BB14	2013	--	--	--	--	78.0	7.2
EPA_BB15	2012	--	--	--	--	66.3	5.5
EPA_BB15	2013	--	--	--	--	50.1	7.1
EPA_BB16	2012	--	--	--	--	93.4	6.6
EPA_BB16	2013	--	--	--	--	96.1	7.3

Toxics and other pollutants (metals, ammonia, chloride, chlorine)

EPA Discrete Specific Conductance Data (2012-2013, 2016-2019) Compared to Estimated Chloride Criteria. (EPA 2020)

(MassDEP Undated 3)

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	SpCond Count	SpCond Min (µs/cm)	SpCond Max (µs/cm)	Count SpCond >904	Count SpCond >994	Count SpCond >3193	Count SpCond >3512	Consecutive sets >904	Consecutive sets >994
EPA_BB14	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	166	166	0	0	0	0	0	0
EPA_BB14	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	151	180	0	0	0	0	0	0
EPA_BB15	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	128	128	0	0	0	0	0	0
EPA_BB15	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	147	150	0	0	0	0	0	0
EPA_BB16	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	166	166	0	0	0	0	0	0

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	SpCond Count	SpCond Min (µs/cm)	SpCond Max (µs/cm)	Count SpCond >904	Count SpCond >994	Count SpCond >3193	Count SpCond >3512	Consecutive sets >904	Consecutive sets >994
EPA_BB16	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	152	168	0	0	0	0	0	0

Fish Consumption

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Not Assessed	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
No site-specific fish consumption advisory has been issued by DPH, therefore the Fish Consumption Use for Beaverdam Brook (MA53-10), is Not Assessed.	

Aesthetic

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Not Assessed	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
No data are available to assess the status of the Aesthetic Use for Beaverdam Brook (MA53-10), so it is Not Assessed.	

Primary Contact Recreation

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Insufficient Information	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
<i>E. coli</i> bacteria data were collected in Beaverdam Brook (MA53-10) at the following sampling stations (data years): EPA 1-2 times per year – at Chestnut (EPA_BB15), Summer (EPA_BB16) and Pond Street (EPA_BB14), Rehoboth, during the summer of 2012 and 2013. The available bacteria data are too limited to assess the Primary Contact Recreational Use for this AU according to the CALM “Use Attainment Impairment Decision Schema”; consequently, Beaverdam Brook is assessed as having Insufficient Information available to make a Primary Contact Recreational Use assessment decision.	

Monitoring Stations

Station Code	Organization	Type	Water Body	Station Description	Latitude	Longitude
EPA_BB14	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Beaverdam Brook	Beaverdam Brook @ Pond Street, Rehoboth]	41.834897	-71.270274
EPA_BB15	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Beaverdam Brook	Beaverdam Brook @ Chestnut Street, Rehoboth	41.827112	-71.241183
EPA_BB16	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Beaverdam Brook	Beaverdam Brook @ Summer Street, Rehoboth	41.831583	-71.25998

Bacteria Data

Bacteria Data Collected by MassDEP and External Data Providers 2011-2020 (90-day Interval Analysis) (EPA 2020)
(MassDEP Undated 3)

[Result units are CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml]

Station Code	Organization	Indicator	Start Date	End Date	Sample Count	Minimum Sample Result	Maximum Sample Result	Seasonal Geometric Mean
EPA_BB14	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	156	156	156
EPA_BB14	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	384	714	524
EPA_BB15	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	8	8	8
EPA_BB15	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	112	1379	393
EPA_BB16	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	68	68	68
EPA_BB16	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	30	76	48

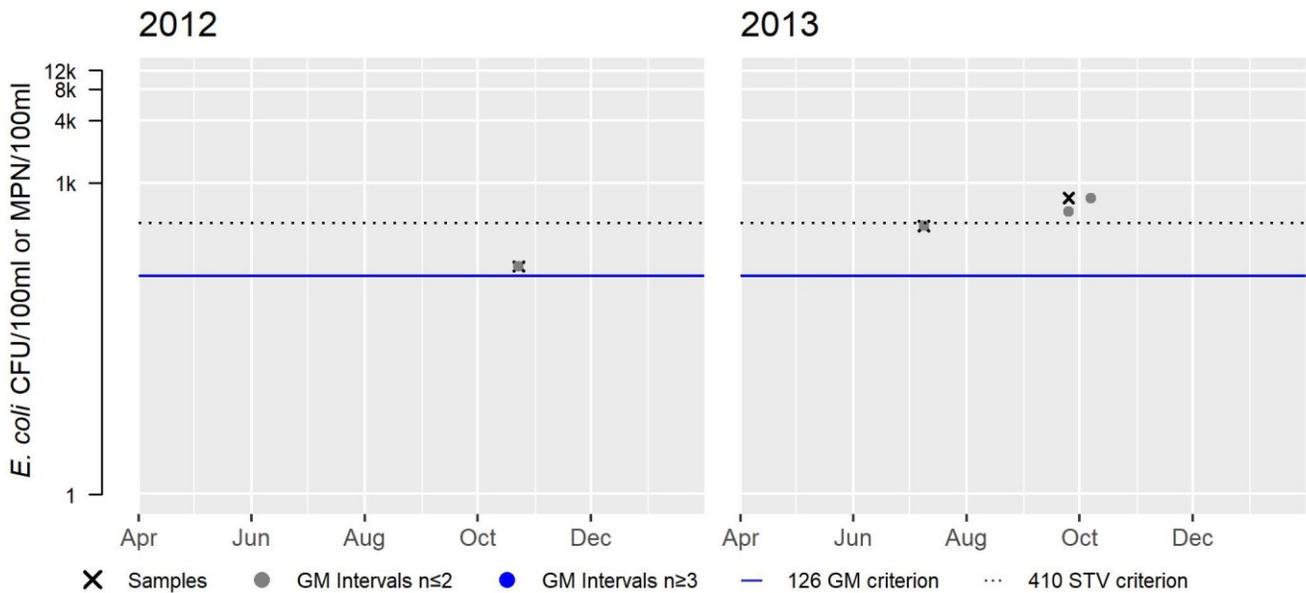
EPA_BB14 E. coli (90-day Interval), Primary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	1
SeasGM	156
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Var	Res
Samples	2
SeasGM	524
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	1
%n>STV	50

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

Variable	Cumulative %GMI Ex (all years)
Result	0



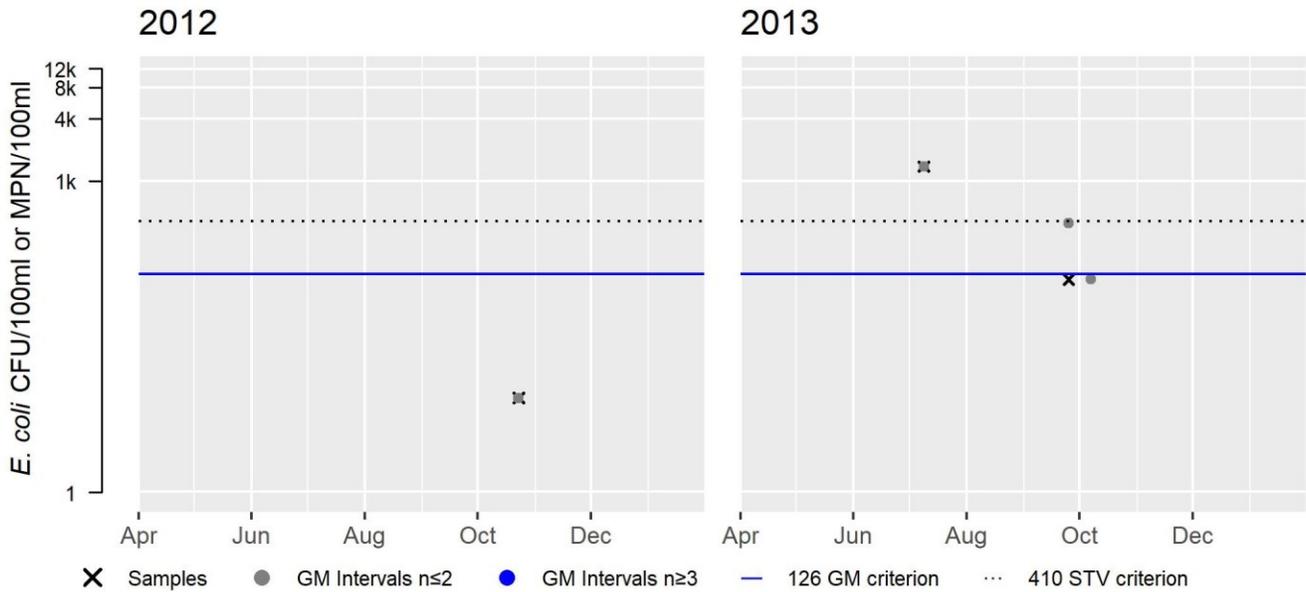
EPA_BB15 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Primary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	1
SeasGM	8
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Var	Res
Samples	2
SeasGM	393
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	1
%n>STV	50

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

Variable	Cumulative %GMI Ex (all years)
Result	0



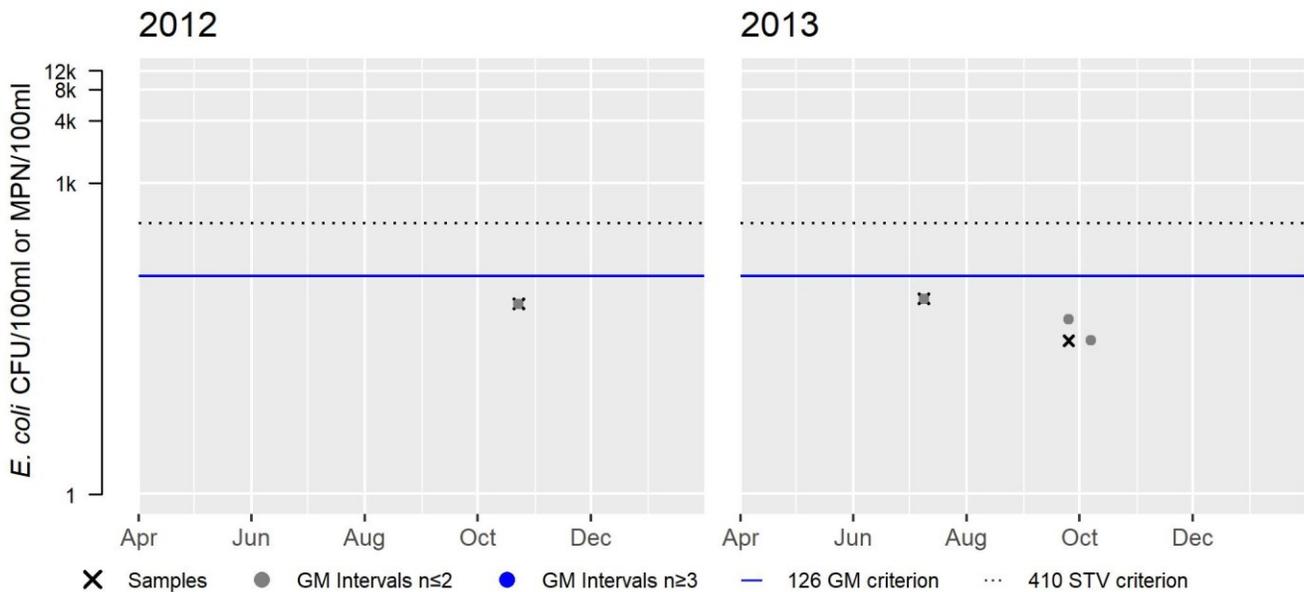
EPA_BB16 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Primary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	1
SeasGM	68
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Var	Res
Samples	2
SeasGM	48
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

Variable	Cumulative %GMI Ex (all years)
Result	0



Secondary Contact Recreation

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Insufficient Information	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
<p><i>E. coli</i> bacteria data were collected in Beaverdam Brook (MA53-10) at the following sampling stations (data years): EPA 1-2 times per year – at Chestnut (EPA_BB15), Summer (EPA_BB16) and Pond Street (EPA_BB14), Rehoboth, during the summer of 2012 and 2013. The available bacteria data are too limited to assess the Secondary Contact Recreational Use for this AU according to the CALM “Use Attainment Impairment Decision Schema”; consequently, Beaverdam Brook is assessed as having Insufficient Information available to make a Secondary Contact Recreational Use assessment decision.</p>	

Monitoring Stations

Station Code	Organization	Type	Water Body	Station Description	Latitude	Longitude
EPA_BB14	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Beaverdam Brook	Beaverdam Brook @ Pond Street, Rehoboth]	41.834897	-71.270274
EPA_BB15	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Beaverdam Brook	Beaverdam Brook @ Chestnut Street, Rehoboth	41.827112	-71.241183
EPA_BB16	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Beaverdam Brook	Beaverdam Brook @ Summer Street, Rehoboth	41.831583	-71.25998

Bacteria Data

Bacteria Data Collected by MassDEP and External Data Providers 2011-2020 (90-day Interval Analysis) (EPA 2020)

(MassDEP Undated 3)

[Result units are CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml]

Station Code	Organization	Indicator	Start Date	End Date	Sample Count	Minimum Sample Result (CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml)	Maximum Sample Result (CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml)	Seasonal Geometric Mean (CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml)
EPA_BB14	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	156	156	156
EPA_BB14	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	384	714	524
EPA_BB15	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	8	8	8
EPA_BB15	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	112	1379	393
EPA_BB16	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	68	68	68
EPA_BB16	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	30	76	48

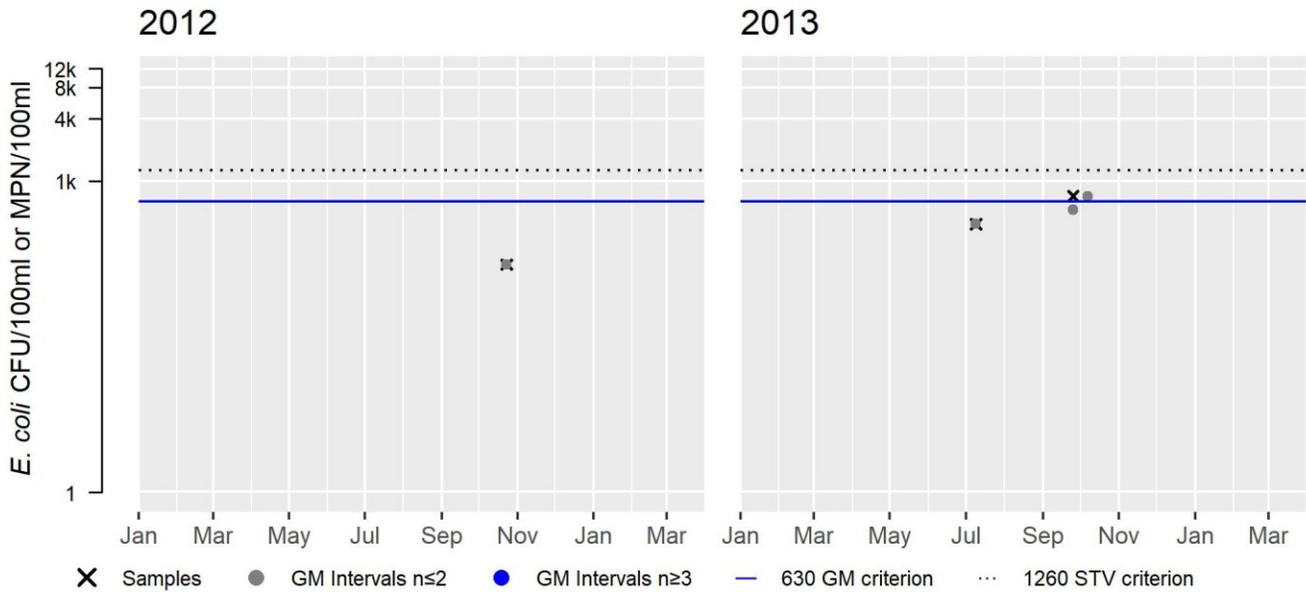
EPA_BB14 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Secondary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	1
SeasGM	156
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Var	Res
Samples	2
SeasGM	524
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

Variable	Cumulative %GMI Ex (all years)
Result	0



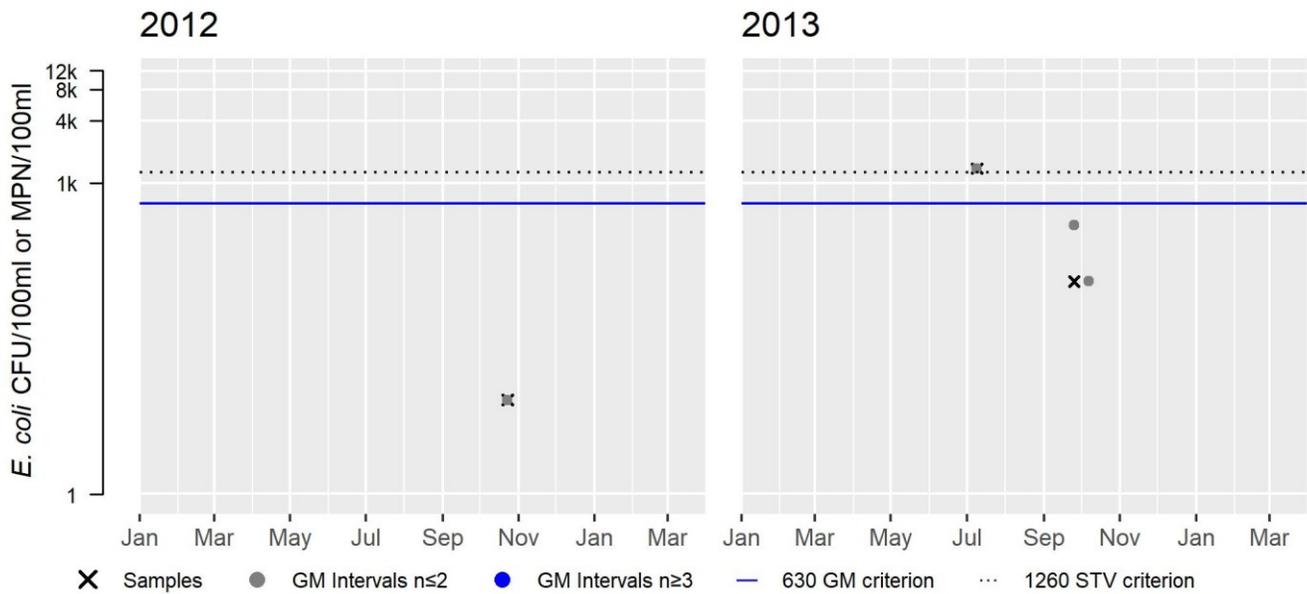
EPA_BB15 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Secondary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	1
SeasGM	8
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Var	Res
Samples	2
SeasGM	393
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	1
%n>STV	50

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

Variable	Cumulative %GMI Ex (all years)
Result	0



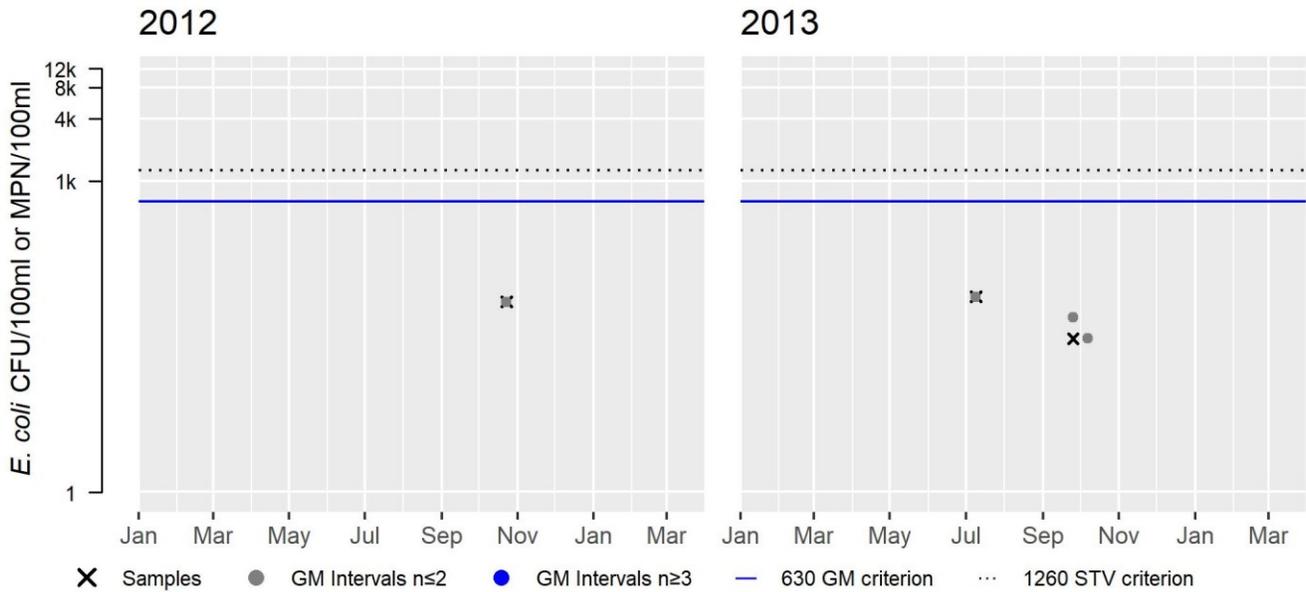
EPA_BB16 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Secondary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	1
SeasGM	68
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Var	Res
Samples	2
SeasGM	48
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

Variable	Cumulative %GMI Ex (all years)
Result	0

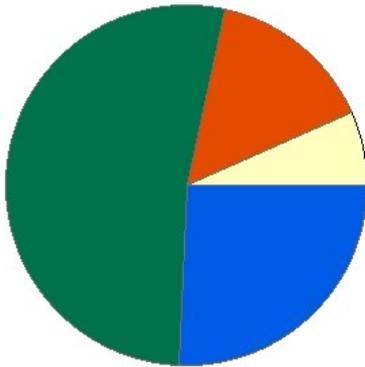


Bliss Brook (MA53-19)

Location:	Headwaters north of Tremont Street, Rehoboth to mouth at confluence with West Branch Palmer River, Rehoboth.
AU Type:	RIVER
AU Size:	2.4 MILES
Classification/Qualifier:	B

Bliss Brook - MA53-19

Watershed Area: 2.17 square miles



Percent Agriculture
 Percent Natural
 Percent Developed
 Percent Wetland

Landuse Type	Entire Basin	5km Radius Proximal Subbasin	100m Stream Buffer	Proximal Stream Buffer
Land Use Area (square miles)	2.17	2.17	0.61	0.61
Agriculture	6.6%	6.6%	10%	10%
Developed	15%	15%	8.9%	8.9%
Natural	52.7%	52.7%	37.9%	37.9%
Wetland	25.7%	25.7%	43.3%	43.3%
Impervious Cover	5.2%			

2018/20 AU Category	2022 AU Category	Impairment	ATTAINS Action ID	Impairment Change Summary
5	5	Escherichia Coli (E. Coli)		Unchanged

Impairment	Source (Confirmed Y/N)	Fish, other Aquatic Life and Wildlife	Fish Consumption	Aesthetic	Primary Contact Recreation	Secondary Contact Recreation
Escherichia Coli (E. Coli)	Source Unknown (N)				X	

Designated Use Attainment Decisions

Fish, other Aquatic Life and Wildlife

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Fully Supporting	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	

EPA conducted discrete water quality monitoring towards the downstream end of the Bliss Brook AU at Ash Street (EPA_WB34), Rehoboth, during the summer of 2012 and 2013. The data was limited but most were indicative of good water quality: pH ranged from 6.8-7.5SU (n=3); maximum temperature 20.8°C (n=1); minimum DO 3.5mg/L (with all except one measurement >5mg/L) and maximum DO saturation 82.4% (n=3). Specific conductance was all low with a maximum of 126µS/cm (n=3), with none measuring above the estimated chloride criterion. The one incidence of low DO is judged to be a result of natural conditions, with wetlands constituting 43.3% in the proximal stream buffer and nearly 80% natural land in the watershed overall.

The Aquatic Life Use of Bliss Brook (MA53-19) will continue to be assessed as Fully Supporting based primarily on July 2013 DFG fish sampling data (presence of the moderately tolerant fluvial species redbfin pickerel) (MassDFG 2020) (MassDEP Undated 7) as well as the limited EPA water quality data collected in 2012 and 2013, that were generally indicative of good conditions.

Monitoring Stations

Station Code	Organization	Type	Water Body	Station Description	Latitude	Longitude
EPA_WB34	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Bliss Brook	Bliss Brook @ Ash Street, Rehoboth	41.885179	-71.264872

Physico-chemical Water Quality Information

DO, pH, Temperature

EPA Freshwater Discrete Dissolved Oxygen Data (2012-2013). (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)

[CW= Coldwater, WW= Warmwater]

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	DO Count	DO Min (mg/L)	DO Avg (mg/L)	Count CW <5.0	Count WW Early Life Stages <5.0	Count WW Other Life Stages <4.0
EPA_WB34	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	9.1	9.1	0	0	0
EPA_WB34	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	3.5	4.7	1	1	1

EPA Freshwater Discrete Temperature Data (2012, 2013 & 2016-2019). (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)

[Summer Index is June 1 – Sept 15; CW= Coldwater, WW= Warmwater]

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	Temp Count	Index Count	Temp Max (°C)	Temp Avg (°C)	Count CW >20	Count CW >22	Count WW >28.3	Count WW >30.3
EPA_WB34	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	0	9.6	9.6	0	0	0	0
EPA_WB34	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	1	20.8	16.2	1	0	0	0

EPA Discrete pH Data (2012-2013). (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	pH Count	pH Min (SU)	pH Max (SU)	pH Count <6.5 or >8.3	pH Count <6.0 or >8.8
EPA_WB34	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	7.5	7.5	0	0
EPA_WB34	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	6.8	7.4	0	0

Nutrients (Primary Producer Screening, Physico-chemical Screening)

EPA Freshwater Nutrient Enrichment Indicator Data (2012, 2013 & 2016-2019). (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)

[Summer seasonal total phosphorus data collected May-Sept]

Station Code	Data Year	Seasonal TP Count	Seasonal TP Min (mg/L)	Seasonal TP Max (mg/L)	Seasonal TP Avg (mg/L)	DO Sat Max (%)	pH Max (SU)
EPA_WB34	2012	--	--	--	--	82.4	7.5
EPA_WB34	2013	--	--	--	--	54.5	7.4

Toxics and other pollutants (metals, ammonia, chloride, chlorine)

EPA Discrete Specific Conductance Data (2012-2013, 2016-2019) Compared to Estimated Chloride Criteria. (EPA 2020)

(MassDEP Undated 3)

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	SpCond Count	SpCond Min (µs/cm)	SpCond Max (µs/cm)	Count SpCond >904	Count SpCond >994	Count SpCond >3193	Count SpCond >3512	Consecutive sets >904	Consecutive sets >994
EPA_WB34	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	114	114	0	0	0	0	0	0
EPA_WB34	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	116	126	0	0	0	0	0	0

Fish Consumption

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Not Assessed	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
No site-specific fish consumption advisory has been issued by DPH, therefore the Fish Consumption Use for Bliss Brook (MA53-19), is Not Assessed.	

Aesthetic

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Not Assessed	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
No data are available to assess the status of the Aesthetic Use for Bliss Brook (MA53-19), so it is Not Assessed.	

Primary Contact Recreation

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Not Supporting	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
<i>E. coli</i> bacteria data were collected in Bliss Brook (MA53-19) towards the downstream end of the AU at Ash Street (EPA_WB34), Rehoboth, during the summer of 2012 and 2013. The available bacteria data are too limited to assess the Primary Contact Recreational Use for Bliss Brook according to the CALM "Use Attainment Impairment Decision Schema"; consequently, the Primary Contact Recreational Use for the brook will continue to be assessed as Not Supporting with the existing <i>E. coli</i> impairment being carried forward.	

Monitoring Stations

Station Code	Organization	Type	Water Body	Station Description	Latitude	Longitude
EPA_WB34	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Bliss Brook	Bliss Brook @ Ash Street, Rehoboth	41.885179	-71.264872

Bacteria Data

Bacteria Data Collected by MassDEP and External Data Providers 2011-2020 (90-day Interval Analysis) (EPA 2020)

(MassDEP Undated 3)

[Result units are CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml]

Station Code	Organization	Indicator	Start Date	End Date	Sample Count	Minimum Sample Result	Maximum Sample Result	Seasonal Geometric Mean
EPA_WB34	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	64	64	64
EPA_WB34	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	80	663	230

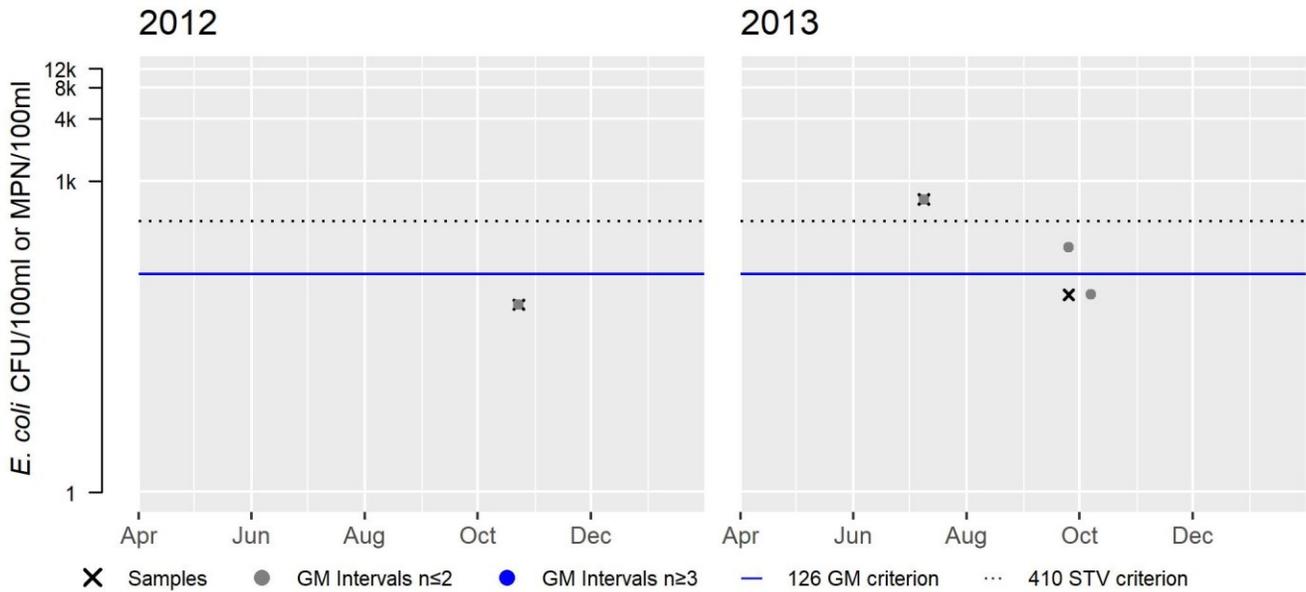
EPA_WB34 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Primary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	1
SeasGM	64
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Var	Res
Samples	2
SeasGM	230
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	1
%n>STV	50

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

Variable	Cumulative %GMI Ex (all years)
Result	0



Secondary Contact Recreation

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Insufficient Information	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
<p><i>E. coli</i> bacteria data were collected in Bliss Brook (MA53-19) towards the downstream end of the AU at Ash Street (EPA_WB34), Rehoboth, during the summer of 2012 and 2013. The available bacteria data are too limited to assess the Secondary Contact Recreational Use for Bliss Brook according to the CALM "Use Attainment Impairment Decision Schema"; consequently, Bliss Brook is assessed as having Insufficient Information available to make a Secondary Contact Recreational Use assessment decision.</p>	

Monitoring Stations

Station Code	Organization	Type	Water Body	Station Description	Latitude	Longitude
EPA_WB34	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Bliss Brook	Bliss Brook @ Ash Street, Rehoboth	41.885179	-71.264872

Bacteria Data

Bacteria Data Collected by MassDEP and External Data Providers 2011-2020 (90-day Interval Analysis) (EPA 2020)

(MassDEP Undated 3)

[Result units are CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml]

Station Code	Organization	Indicator	Start Date	End Date	Sample Count	Minimum Sample Result (CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml)	Maximum Sample Result (CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml)	Seasonal Geometric Mean (CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml)
EPA_WB34	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	64	64	64
EPA_WB34	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	80	663	230

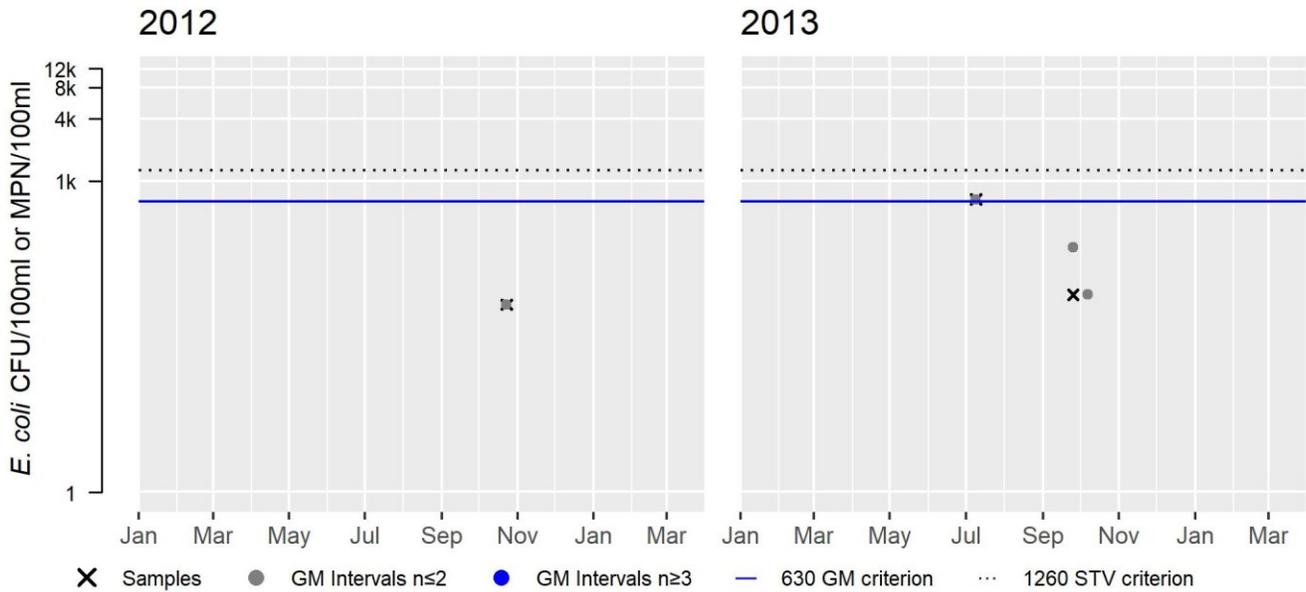
EPA_WB34 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Secondary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	1
SeasGM	64
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Var	Res
Samples	2
SeasGM	230
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

Variable	Cumulative %GMI Ex (all years)
Result	0

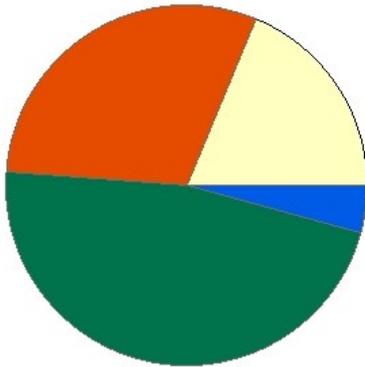


Clear Run Brook (MA53-13)

Location:	Headwaters, outlet unnamed pond northwest of Miller Street, Seekonk to confluence with Palmer River, Rehoboth.
AU Type:	RIVER
AU Size:	1.6 MILES
Classification/Qualifier:	B

Clear Run Brook - MA53-13

Watershed Area: 1.66 square miles



Percent Agriculture
 Percent Natural
 Percent Developed
 Percent Wetland

Landuse Type	Entire Basin	5km Radius Proximal Subbasin	100m Stream Buffer	Proximal Stream Buffer
Land Use Area (square miles)	1.66	1.66	0.49	0.49
Agriculture	18.7%	18.7%	28.8%	28.8%
Developed	30.1%	30.1%	15.4%	15.4%
Natural	47%	47%	45.7%	45.7%
Wetland	4.2%	4.2%	10.1%	10.1%
Impervious Cover	11.3%			

2018/20 AU Category	2022 AU Category	Impairment	ATTAINS Action ID	Impairment Change Summary
5	5	Benthic Macroinvertebrates		Added
5	5	Dissolved Oxygen		Unchanged
5	5	Escherichia Coli (E. Coli)	35097	Unchanged
5	5	Fecal Coliform	35097	Unchanged

Impairment	Source (Confirmed Y/N)	Fish, other Aquatic Life and Wildlife	Fish Consumption	Aesthetic	Primary Contact Recreation	Secondary Contact Recreation
Benthic Macroinvertebrates	Source Unknown (N)	X				
Dissolved Oxygen	Source Unknown (N)	X				
Escherichia Coli (E. Coli)	Agriculture (Y)				X	X
Escherichia Coli (E. Coli)	Waterfowl (N)				X	X
Fecal Coliform	Agriculture (Y)				X	
Fecal Coliform	Waterfowl (N)				X	

Recommendations

2022 Recommendations
ALU: Conduct additional water quality monitoring in Clear Run Brook to better evaluate whether nutrient enrichment is problematic (deployed probes, pH, nutrients). Additional sampling to evaluate potential total ammonia nitrogen toxicity (specifically including pH and temperature measurements when total ammonia nitrogen sampling is conducted) at the upper end of Clear Run Brook (outlet of pond upstream of Miller Street).

Designated Use Attainment Decisions

Fish, other Aquatic Life and Wildlife

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Not Supporting	YES
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
<p>Water quality monitoring was conducted at four sites along Clear Run Brook by EPA and MassDEP staff from up to downstream as follows: Miller St. (EPA_CR01), downstream of Miller St, Seekonk (MassDEP W2383, B0842, fish SampleID 5077), Miller St. (near Town line) (EPA_CR02), and Providence St. (EPA_CR03). Data summaries are provided here. MassDEP biologists conducted biological (benthic and fish) and water quality sampling downstream of Miller St, Seekonk as part of the MAP2 monitoring project during the summer of 2013. The benthic sample (B0842) IBI score was indicative of severely degraded conditions (19) while this low-moderate gradient habitat fish sample (SampleID 5077) included one fluvial taxon (tessellated darter) which comprised 27% of the sample and 58% of the sample was comprised of intolerant/moderately tolerant macrohabitat generalist fishes. Water quality monitoring data during the summer of 2013 (W2383) can be summarized as follows: the minimum DO was 4.2mg/L (30-day mean always <6.0mg/L during the continuous probe deployment from June to August), the maximum temperature was 27.8°C (7-DADM always <27.7°C, max 24hr rolling average 26.2°C during the continuous probe deployment from June to September), discrete pH measurements ranged from 6.7 to 7.0SU (n=3), while there were no physico-chemical indicators of nutrient enrichment issues (max diel DO shift 1.8mg/L, max DO saturation only 74.2%) and there were no observations of dense/very dense filamentous algae, the seasonal average total phosphorus concentration was high at 0.136mg/L (n=4, max 0.2mg/L). Specific conductance and chloride concentrations were both low (max 308µS/cm, and 39mg/L, respectively, n=3), as was total ammonia-nitrogen (TAN) (max 0.74mg/L, n=3 with no toxicity estimated), nor were there any acute or chronic metals criteria exceedances (n=3). EPA discrete water quality monitoring data were collected ~monthly 2012-2019. The maximum temperature was 29°C (n=44 measurements in the summer index period with two >28.3°C at the most upstream site (EPA_CR01 at outlet of a small pond where the flow was very slow), the minimum DO was 2.3mg/L (only one of seven measurements <5mg/L at EPA_CR02). The seasonal average total phosphorus concentrations at the three sites ranged from 0.08 to 0.57mg/L with a clear pattern of increase moving downstream (highest concentrations at EPA_CR03). DO saturation was high once (158.1%) at the most upstream site (EPA_CR01) though was much lower all other times (72-115%), pH 6.4-9.0SU (n=6) (>8.8SU once, also at EPA_CR01). Specific conductance was low (max 530µS/cm, n=102). Total ammonia-nitrogen concentrations ranged from 0.33-0.40mg/L (n=27) and while four screening level exceedances were calculated at EPA_CR01, in fact there were insufficient pH data available to calculate actual criteria/exceedances. The Aquatic Life Use of Clear Run Brook will continue to be assessed as Not Supporting with the DO impairment being carried forward. A new impairment for benthic macroinvertebrates is being added. An Alert is also being identified because of a few indicators of nutrient enrichment and the elevated total phosphorus concentrations in the brook.</p>	

Monitoring Stations

Station Code	Organization	Type	Water Body	Station Description	Latitude	Longitude
5077	MassDEP	Fish Community	Clear Run Brook	~1750 ft DS/SE of Miller St xing, adj to russel dr, blacksmith rd.	41.80069	-71.30434

Station Code	Organization	Type	Water Body	Station Description	Latitude	Longitude
B0842	MassDEP	Benthic	Clear Run Brook/	[approximately 535 meters downstream/southeast from Miller Street, Seekonk, MA]	41.800693	-71.304341
W0621	MassDEP	Water Quality	Clear Run Brook	[Miller Street crossing (nearest the Rehoboth town line), Seekonk]	41.805818	-71.297692
W0622	MassDEP	Water Quality	Clear Run Brook	[Providence Street, Rehoboth]	41.810221	-71.291692
W1531	MassDEP	Water Quality	Clear Run Brook	[Miller Street crossing nearest Fieldwood Avenue, Seekonk]	41.802721	-71.309281
W2383	MassDEP	Water Quality	Clear Run Brook	[approximately 1750 feet downstream/southeast from Miller Street, Seekonk]	41.800693	-71.304341

Station Code	Organization	Type	Water Body	Station Description	Latitude	Longitude
EPA_CR01	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Clear Run Brook	Clear Run Brook @ Miller Street crossing below pond nearest Fieldwood Avenue, Seekonk	41.802679	-71.309187
EPA_CR02	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Clear Run Brook	Clear Run Brook @ Miller Street crossing (nearest the Rehoboth town line), Seekonk	41.805811	-71.297687
EPA_CR03	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Clear Run Brook	Clear Run Brook @ Providence Street, Rehoboth	41.810224	-71.291907

Biological Monitoring Information

Benthic Macroinvertebrate Data

MassDEP Benthic Macroinvertebrate Data (2011-2017). (MassDEP Undated 4)

[Index Biological Condition Class: E= Exceptional, S= Satisfactory, MD= Moderately Degraded, SD= Severely Degraded; High Gradient IBI Thresholds: E= 100-75, S= 74-55, MD= 54-35, SD= 34-0; Low Gradient IBI Thresholds: E= 100-81, S= 80-62, MD= 61-38, SD= 37-0; R qualifier = Rarefaction (100ct) <55]

Station Code	Collection Date	Collection Method	Index Type	Organism Count	Index Score	Index Biological Condition Class
B0842	07/10/13	RBP multihab	Statewide_Low_Gradient	313	19	SD

Fish Community Data and DELTS

Fish Community Data (2012-2019) Provided by MassDFG. (MassDFG 2020) (MassDEP Undated 2)

[Sample Type: TP= Total Pickup, SP= Selective Pickup, Method: BT=Boat Shocking, BP= Backpack Shocking, BG= Barge Shocking, SE= Seine, SL= Snorkel, NS= Not Stated, MT= Minnow Trap, GN= Gillnet, FY= Fyke Net, Gradient: H = High, L = Low; I/MT MG= Intolerant/Moderately Tolerant Macrohabitat Generalist]

[Species List: AE = American Eel, BS = Banded Sunfish, LMB = Largemouth Bass, P = Pumpkinseed, TD = Tessellated Darter]

Sample ID	Sample Date	Method	Sample Type	Gradient	Total Taxa	Total Ind	Cold Ind %	Fluvial Taxa	Fluvial Ind %	Intol Ind %	I/MT MG Taxa	I/MT MG Ind %	Notables	CFR	Species List
5077	09/17/13	NS	TP		5	45	0%	1	27%	11%	3	58%	Yes	No	AE, BS, LMB, P, TD,

Habitat and Flow Data (anthropogenic alterations)

EPA Discrete Total Suspended Solids Data (2016-2019). (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	TSS Count	TSS Max (mg/L)	TSS Avg (mg/L)	TSS Count >25
EPA_CR01	04/19/16	11/09/16	8	18	7	0
EPA_CR01	04/20/17	11/14/17	8	13	5.7	0
EPA_CR01	04/24/18	11/05/18	8	8.5	4.1	0
EPA_CR01	04/29/19	11/06/19	6	13	5.3	0
EPA_CR02	04/19/16	11/09/16	8	16	7.7	0
EPA_CR02	04/20/17	11/14/17	8	31	6.7	1
EPA_CR02	04/24/18	11/05/18	8	8.5	3.6	0
EPA_CR02	06/26/19	11/06/19	6	5	3.4	0
EPA_CR03	04/19/16	11/09/16	8	42	10.1	1
EPA_CR03	04/20/17	11/14/17	8	48	13	2
EPA_CR03	04/24/18	11/05/18	8	15	4.9	0
EPA_CR03	04/29/19	11/06/19	7	10	5.5	0

Physico-chemical Water Quality Information

DO, pH, Temperature

MassDEP Long-term Continuous Dissolved Oxygen Data (2011-2018). (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

[7DADMin= 7-Day Average of the Daily Minima, 7DADA= 7-Day Average of the Daily Average, CW= Coldwater, WW= Warmwater]

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	Day Count	7day Count	30day Count	DO Min (mg/L)	Min 7DADMin (mg/L)	Min 7DADA (mg/L)	Delta DO Max (mg/L)	Count CW 7DADMin <6.0	Count CW 1Day Min <5.0	Count WW Early Life Stages 7DADA <6.5	Count WW Early Life Stages 1Day Min <5.0	Count WW Other Life Stages 7DADMin <5.0	Count WW Other Life Stages 1Day Min <4.0	Count CW 30DADA <8.0	Count WW Other Life Stages 30DADA <6.0
W2383	06/20/13	08/05/13	47	41	18	4.2	4.7	5.1	1.8	37	12	36	11	8	0	18	18

MassDEP Discrete Dissolved Oxygen Data (2011-2018). (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

[CW= Coldwater, WW= Warmwater]

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	DO Count	DO Min (mg/L)	DO Avg (mg/L)	Count CW <5.0	Count WW Early Life Stages <5.0	Count WW Other Life Stages <4.0
W2383	06/19/13	10/02/13	2	5.3	5.8	0	0	0

MassDEP Long-term Continuous Temperature Data (Summer Index 2011-2018). (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

[Summer Index is June 1 – Sept 15; Max Daily Mean= Maximum 24-Hour Average, 7DADM= 7-Day Average of the Daily Maxima, 7DADA= 7-Day Average of the Daily Average, CW= Coldwater, WW= Warmwater. Note: In the case of more than one row of data in the same year for a site, different types of temperature probes were deployed.]

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	Index Count	7day Count	Max Daily Mean (°C)	Max Temp (°C)	Max 7DADM (°C)	Max 7DADA (°C)	Count CWTier1 7DADM >20	Count CWTier1 Daily Mean >23.5	Count CWTier2 7DADA >21	Count CWTier2 Daily Mean >24.1	Count WW 7DADM >27.7	Count WW Daily Mean >28.3
W2383	06/20/13	09/15/13	88	85	25.9	27.6	26.9	25.4	81	19	48	15	0	0
W2383	06/20/13	09/15/13	88	85	26.0	27.8	27.0	25.5	82	19	50	15	0	0

24-hour Rolling Average Calculations for MassDEP Short- and Long-term Continuous Temperature Data (Summer Index 2011-2018). (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

[Summer Index is June 1 – Sept 15; CW= Coldwater, WW= Warmwater Note: In the case of more than one row of data in the same year for a site, different types of temperature probes were deployed.]

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	Count Days Deployed	24hr Rolling Count	Max 24hr Avg Rolling Temp (°C)	Count CWTier1 24hr Avg Rolling >23.5 °C	Count CWTier2 24hr Avg Rolling >24.1 °C	Count WW 24hr Avg Rolling >28.3 °C
W2383	06/19/13	09/15/13	88	4195	26.2	898	754	0
W2383	06/19/13	09/15/13	88	4195	26.1	881	735	0

MassDEP Discrete Temperature Data (2011-2018). (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

[Summer Index is June 1 – Sept 15; CW= Coldwater, WW= Warmwater]

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	Temp Count	Index Count	Temp Max (°C)	Temp Avg (°C)	Count CW >20	Count CW >22	Count WW >28.3	Count WW >30.3
W2383	06/19/13	10/02/13	5	3	22.9	20.1	2	2	0	0

MassDEP Discrete pH Data (2011-2018). (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	pH Count	pH Min (SU)	pH Max (SU)	pH Count <6.5 & >8.3	pH Count <6.0 & >8.8
W2383	06/19/13	10/02/13	3	6.7	7	0	0

EPA Freshwater Discrete Dissolved Oxygen Data (2012-2013). (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)

[CW= Coldwater, WW= Warmwater]

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	DO Count	DO Min (mg/L)	DO Avg (mg/L)	Count CW <5.0	Count WW Early Life Stages <5.0	Count WW Other Life Stages <4.0
EPA_CR01	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	16.6	16.6	0	0	0
EPA_CR01	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	6.4	8.5	0	0	0
EPA_CR02	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	12.6	12.6	0	0	0
EPA_CR02	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	2.3	4.8	1	1	1

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	DO Count	DO Min (mg/L)	DO Avg (mg/L)	Count CW <5.0	Count WW Early Life Stages <5.0	Count WW Other Life Stages <4.0
EPA_CR03	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	7.7	7.7	0	0	0

EPA Freshwater Discrete Temperature Data (2012, 2013 & 2016-2019). (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)

[Summer Index is June 1 – Sept 15; CW= Coldwater, WW= Warmwater]

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	Temp Count	Index Count	Temp Max (°C)	Temp Avg (°C)	Count CW >20	Count CW >22	Count WW >28.3	Count WW >30.3
EPA_CR01	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	0	13.3	13.3	0	0	0	0
EPA_CR01	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	1	27.8	21.9	1	1	0	0
EPA_CR01	04/19/16	11/09/16	8	4	29.0	17.8	3	2	1	0
EPA_CR01	04/20/17	11/14/17	8	4	26.4	18.9	4	4	0	0
EPA_CR01	04/24/18	11/05/18	8	3	28.7	18.3	2	2	1	0
EPA_CR01	04/29/19	11/06/19	8	3	26.0	17.7	3	3	0	0
EPA_CR02	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	0	11.0	11.0	0	0	0	0
EPA_CR02	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	1	24.0	18.9	1	1	0	0
EPA_CR02	04/19/16	11/09/16	8	4	24.7	15.2	2	2	0	0
EPA_CR02	04/20/17	11/14/17	8	4	22.7	16.5	3	1	0	0
EPA_CR02	04/24/18	11/05/18	8	3	23.9	15.4	1	1	0	0
EPA_CR02	04/29/19	11/06/19	8	3	21.7	15.0	3	0	0	0
EPA_CR03	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	0	12.3	12.3	0	0	0	0
EPA_CR03	04/19/16	11/09/16	8	4	24.1	13.7	1	1	0	0
EPA_CR03	04/20/17	11/14/17	8	4	21.2	15.4	3	0	0	0
EPA_CR03	04/24/18	11/05/18	8	3	22.2	14.3	1	1	0	0
EPA_CR03	04/29/19	11/06/19	8	3	19.7	14.1	0	0	0	0

EPA Discrete pH Data (2012-2013). (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	pH Count	pH Min (SU)	pH Max (SU)	pH Count <6.5 or >8.3	pH Count <6.0 or >8.8
EPA_CR01	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	6.9	9.0	1	1
EPA_CR02	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	7.5	7.5	0	0
EPA_CR02	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	6.4	7.3	1	0
EPA_CR03	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	6.9	6.9	0	0

Nutrients (Primary Producer Screening, Physico-chemical Screening)

MassDEP Nutrient Enrichment Indicator Data (2011-2018). (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

[Summer seasonal total phosphorus data collected May-Sept]

Station Code	Data Year	Seasonal TP Count	Seasonal TP Min (mg/L)	Seasonal TP Max (mg/L)	Seasonal TP Avg (mg/L)	Delta DO Max (mg/L)	Delta DO Avg (mg/L)	DO Sat Max (%)	pH Max (SU)	Count Algal Obsv.	Dense/V. Dense Film/Fila. Algae
W0621	2015	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	2	0

Station Code	Data Year	Seasonal TP Count	Seasonal TP Min (mg/L)	Seasonal TP Max (mg/L)	Seasonal TP Avg (mg/L)	Delta DO Max (mg/L)	Delta DO Avg (mg/L)	DO Sat Max (%)	pH Max (SU)	Count Algal Obsv.	Dense/V. Dense Film/Fila. Algae
W0622	2013	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	1	0
W0622	2015	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	1	0
W1531	2015	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	2	0
W2383	2013	4	0.092	0.200	0.136	1.8	0.7	74.2	7.0	8	0

EPA Freshwater Nutrient Enrichment Indicator Data (2012, 2013 & 2016-2019). (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)

[Summer seasonal total phosphorus data collected May-Sept]

Station Code	Data Year	Seasonal TP Count	Seasonal TP Min (mg/L)	Seasonal TP Max (mg/L)	Seasonal TP Avg (mg/L)	DO Sat Max (%)	pH Max (SU)
EPA_CR01	2012	--	--	--	--	158.1	--
EPA_CR01	2013	--	--	--	--	108.0	9.0
EPA_CR01	2016	5	0.068	0.240	0.152	--	--
EPA_CR01	2017	5	0.040	0.200	0.093	--	--
EPA_CR01	2018	5	0.026	0.130	0.081	--	--
EPA_CR01	2019	5	0.003	0.250	0.140	--	--
EPA_CR02	2012	--	--	--	--	114.7	7.5
EPA_CR02	2013	--	--	--	--	88.0	7.3
EPA_CR02	2016	5	0.130	0.210	0.164	--	--
EPA_CR02	2017	5	0.100	0.250	0.174	--	--
EPA_CR02	2018	5	0.120	0.450	0.252	--	--
EPA_CR02	2019	5	0.005	0.400	0.263	--	--
EPA_CR03	2012	--	--	--	--	71.8	6.9
EPA_CR03	2016	5	0.130	0.320	0.214	--	--
EPA_CR03	2017	5	0.150	0.350	0.276	--	--
EPA_CR03	2018	5	0.210	1.500	0.570	--	--
EPA_CR03	2019	5	0.005	0.700	0.355	--	--

EPA Summer Seasonal Total Nitrogen Data (2016-2019). (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)

[Total nitrogen data collected May-Sept]

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	Seasonal TN Count	Seasonal TN Min (mg/L)	Seasonal TN Max (mg/L)	Seasonal TN Avg (mg/L)
EPA_CR01	05/17/16	09/13/16	5	0.4	1.4	0.8
EPA_CR01	05/31/17	09/14/17	5	0.4	2.1	1.0
EPA_CR01	05/09/18	09/19/18	5	0.4	1.6	0.9
EPA_CR01	05/13/19	09/24/19	5	0.6	1.4	0.9
EPA_CR02	05/17/16	09/13/16	5	0.6	2.5	1.6
EPA_CR02	05/31/17	09/14/17	5	1.5	2.0	1.6
EPA_CR02	05/09/18	09/19/18	5	0.7	1.9	1.2
EPA_CR02	05/13/19	09/24/19	5	0.6	1.2	0.9
EPA_CR03	05/17/16	09/13/16	5	0.5	1.5	0.9
EPA_CR03	05/31/17	09/14/17	5	0.5	1.2	0.8
EPA_CR03	05/09/18	09/19/18	5	0.5	0.9	0.7
EPA_CR03	05/13/19	09/24/19	5	0.4	0.6	0.5

Toxics and other pollutants (metals, ammonia, chloride, chlorine)

MassDEP Clean Metals Water Column Data (2011-2018), Acute Criteria Violations. (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

[CMC= Criterion Maximum Concentration, TU= Toxic Unit]

Station Code	Data Year	Metals Count	As CMC TU >1	Cd CMC TU >1	Cr III CMC TU >1	Cu CMC TU >1	Pb CMC TU >1	Ni CMC TU >1	Ag CMC TU >1	Zn CMC TU >1
W2383	2013	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

MassDEP Clean Metals Water Column Data (2011-2018), Chronic Criteria Violations. (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

[CCC= Criterion Continuous Concentration, TU= Toxic Unit]

Station Code	Data Year	Metals Count	As CCC TU >1	Cd CCC TU >1	Cr III CCC TU >1	Cu CCC TU >1	Pb CCC TU >1	Ni CCC TU >1	Se CCC TU >1	Zn CCC TU >1
W2383	2013	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

MassDEP Clean Metals Water Column Data (2011-2018), Selected TU Calculations. (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

[CMC= Criterion Maximum Concentration, CCC= Criterion Continuous Concentration, TU= Toxic Unit]

Station Code	Sample Date	Cd CMC TU	Cd CCC TU	Cu CMC TU	Cu CCC TU	Pb CMC TU	Pb CCC TU
W2383	06/04/13	0.2	0.5	0.2	0.23	0.0	0.8
W2383	07/16/13	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.13	0.0	0.1
W2383	08/26/13	0.1	0.3	0.1	0.17	0.0	0.1

MassDEP Dissolved Aluminum Water Column Data (2011-2018). (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

[Since only dissolved aluminum data were available, these data were compared to the default freshwater criteria for total recoverable aluminum (TRA), presented in Appendix E of MassDEP's 2022 CALM. As dissolved Al is a fraction of TRA, an exceedance count of 0 does not rule out violations of the TRA criteria. CMC= Criterion Maximum Concentration, CCC= Criterion Continuous Concentration, TU= Toxic Unit]

Station Code	Data Year	Dissolved Al Count	Al Min (mg/L)	Al Max (mg/L)	Al Avg (mg/L)	Al CMC TU Max	Al CCC TU Max	Al CMC TU >1	Al CCC TU >1
W2383	2013	3	0.008	0.025	0.015	0.1	0.1	0	0

MassDEP Total Ammonia Nitrogen (TAN) Data (2011-2018). (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

[TAN= NH3 + NH4+]

Station Code	Data Year	TAN Count	TAN Min (mg/L)	TAN Max (mg/L)	TAN Avg (mg/L)	Count TAN >Chronic	Count TAN >Acute
W2383	2013	3	0.090	0.740	0.467	0	0

MassDEP Chloride Data (2011-2018). (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

Station Code	Data Year	Chloride Count	Chloride Min (mg/L)	Chloride Max (mg/L)	Chloride Avg (mg/L)	Count Chloride >230	Count Chloride >860
W2383	2013	3	28	39	35	0	0

MassDEP Discrete Specific Conductance Data (2011-2018) Compared to Estimated Chloride Criteria. (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	SpCond Count	SpCond Min (µs/cm)	SpCond Max (µs/cm)	Count SpCond >904	Count SpCond >994	Count SpCond >3193	Count SpCond >3512	Consecutive sets >904	Consecutive sets >994
W2383	06/19/13	10/02/13	3	196	308	0	0	0	0	0	0

EPA Freshwater Total Ammonia Nitrogen (TAN) Data (2017 & 2019). (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)

[Toxicity evaluations made using site- and date-specific temperature plus site-specific max pH measurements from 2012 & 2013; TAN= NH3 + NH4*]

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	TAN Count	TAN Min (mg/L)	TAN Max (mg/L)	TAN Avg (mg/L)	Count TAN >Chronic*	Count TAN >Acute
EPA_CR01	11/14/17	11/14/17	1	0.40	0.40	0.40	1	0
EPA_CR01	04/29/19	11/06/19	8	0.07	0.33	0.17	3	0
EPA_CR02	11/14/17	11/14/17	1	0.21	0.21	0.21	0	0
EPA_CR02	04/29/19	11/06/19	8	0.07	0.37	0.18	0	0
EPA_CR03	11/14/17	11/14/17	1	0.18	0.18	0.18	0	0
EPA_CR03	04/29/19	11/06/19	8	0.07	0.41	0.16	0	0

* Note: there were insufficient pH data available to calculate site specific criteria. Any apparent exceedances are to be taken as “screening level” information only.

EPA Discrete Specific Conductance Data (2012-2013, 2016-2019) Compared to Estimated Chloride Criteria. (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	SpCond Count	SpCond Min (µs/cm)	SpCond Max (µs/cm)	Count SpCond >904	Count SpCond >994	Count SpCond >3193	Count SpCond >3512	Consecutive sets >904	Consecutive sets >994
EPA_CR01	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	217	217	0	0	0	0	0	0
EPA_CR01	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	242	279	0	0	0	0	0	0
EPA_CR01	04/19/16	11/09/16	8	156	285	0	0	0	0	0	0
EPA_CR01	04/20/17	11/14/17	8	192	294	0	0	0	0	0	0
EPA_CR01	04/24/18	11/05/18	8	175	408	0	0	0	0	0	0
EPA_CR01	04/29/19	11/06/19	8	155	256	0	0	0	0	0	0
EPA_CR02	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	248	248	0	0	0	0	0	0
EPA_CR02	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	143	389	0	0	0	0	0	0
EPA_CR02	04/19/16	11/09/16	7	244	318	0	0	0	0	0	0
EPA_CR02	04/20/17	11/14/17	8	219	303	0	0	0	0	0	0
EPA_CR02	04/24/18	11/05/18	8	190	282	0	0	0	0	0	0
EPA_CR02	04/29/19	11/06/19	8	168	314	0	0	0	0	0	0
EPA_CR03	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	211	211	0	0	0	0	0	0
EPA_CR03	04/19/16	11/09/16	8	227	380	0	0	0	0	0	0
EPA_CR03	04/20/17	11/14/17	8	130	312	0	0	0	0	0	0
EPA_CR03	04/24/18	11/05/18	8	197	300	0	0	0	0	0	0
EPA_CR03	04/29/19	11/06/19	8	174	530	0	0	0	0	0	0

Fish Consumption

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Not Assessed	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
No site-specific fish consumption advisory has been issued by DPH, therefore the Fish Consumption Use for Clear Run Brook (MA53-13), is Not Assessed.	

Aesthetic

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Fully Supporting	YES
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
MassDEP staff recorded aesthetics observations at four sites along Clear Run Brook between the summers of 2013 and 2015 as follows: Miller Street crossing nearest Fieldwood Avenue, Seekonk (W1531) (2015), ~1750 feet downstream Miller Street, Seekonk (W2383) (2013), Miller Street crossing (nearest the Rehoboth town line), Seekonk (W0621) (2015), and Providence Street, Rehoboth (W0622) (2013). There were generally no noted objectionable conditions (odors, deposits, growths, or turbidity) recorded by DWM-WPP field sampling crews during the surveys at most stations (n=22). The Aesthetics Use for Clear Run Brook is assessed as Fully Supporting but an Alert is being identified for notes of moderate turbidity during three of four site visits in the middle of the AU, at Miller Street crossing (nearest the Rehoboth town line), Seekonk (W0621) during the summer of 2015.	

Monitoring Stations

Station Code	Organization	Type	Water Body	Station Description	Latitude	Longitude
W0621	MassDEP	Water Quality	Clear Run Brook	[Miller Street crossing (nearest the Rehoboth town line), Seekonk]	41.805818	-71.297692
W0622	MassDEP	Water Quality	Clear Run Brook	[Providence Street, Rehoboth]	41.810221	-71.291692
W1531	MassDEP	Water Quality	Clear Run Brook	[Miller Street crossing nearest Fieldwood Avenue, Seekonk]	41.802721	-71.309281
W2383	MassDEP	Water Quality	Clear Run Brook	[approximately 1750 feet downstream/southeast from Miller Street, Seekonk]	41.800693	-71.304341

Aesthetic Observations

Aesthetics Summary Statements for MassDEP Stations (2011-2018) (MassDEP Undated 5)

Station Code	Waterbody	Data Year	Field Sheet Count	Aesthetics Summary Statement
W0621	Clear Run Brook	2015	4	The Aesthetics use for Clear Run Brook is assessed as Fully Supporting based on observations (generally no odors, deposits, or growths) by MassDEP staff during field surveys at station W0621 in summer 2015. However, the use is identified with an Alert status since the water was moderately turbid on 3 of 4 site visits.

Station Code	Waterbody	Data Year	Field Sheet Count	Aesthetics Summary Statement
W0622	Clear Run Brook	2013	2	MassDEP aesthetics observations for station W0622 on Clear Run Brook can be summarized as follows: there were generally no noted objectionable conditions (odors, deposits, growths, or turbidity) recorded by DEP field sampling crews during summer 2013. However, there is insufficient information to assess the Aesthetics Use since data were limited (n=2).
W0622	Clear Run Brook	2015	4	MassDEP aesthetics observations for station W0622 on Clear Run Brook can be summarized as follows: there were generally no noted objectionable conditions (odors, deposits, growths, or turbidity) recorded by DEP field sampling crews during summer 2015.
W1531	Clear Run Brook	2015	4	MassDEP aesthetics observations for station W1531 on Clear Run Brook can be summarized as follows: there were generally no noted objectionable conditions (odors, deposits, growths, or turbidity) recorded by DEP field sampling crews during summer 2015.
W2383	Clear Run Brook	2013	8	MassDEP aesthetics observations for station W2383/MAP2-363 on Clear Run Brook can be summarized as follows: there were generally no noted objectionable conditions (odors, deposits, growths, or turbidity) recorded by DEP field sampling crews during summer 2013.

Observations of Filamentous/Film Algae at MassDEP Stations (2011-2018) (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

Station Code	Data Year	Field Sheet Count	Field Sheet Count w/ Film & Filamentous Algae Observations	Dense/ Very Dense Film/ Filamentous Algae
W0621	2015	4	2	0
W0622	2013	2	1	0
W0622	2015	4	1	0
W1531	2015	4	2	0
W2383	2013	8	8	0

MassDEP Aesthetics Observations (2011-2018) (MassDEP Undated 8)

Station Code	Waterbody	Data Year	Parameter	Result	Result Count	Total Field Sheet Count
W0621	Clear Run Brook	2015	Color	None	4	4
W0621	Clear Run Brook	2015	Objectionable Deposits	Not Applicable (N/A)	4	4
W0621	Clear Run Brook	2015	Odor	None	3	4
W0621	Clear Run Brook	2015	Odor	Other	1	4
W0621	Clear Run Brook	2015	Scum	Not Applicable (N/A)	4	4
W0621	Clear Run Brook	2015	Turbidity	Moderately Turbid	3	4
W0621	Clear Run Brook	2015	Turbidity	Slightly Turbid	1	4
W0622	Clear Run Brook	2013	Color	Light Yellow/Tan	1	2
W0622	Clear Run Brook	2013	Color	None	1	2
W0622	Clear Run Brook	2013	Objectionable Deposits	Not Applicable (N/A)	2	2
W0622	Clear Run Brook	2013	Odor	None	2	2
W0622	Clear Run Brook	2013	Scum	Not Applicable (N/A)	2	2
W0622	Clear Run Brook	2013	Turbidity	Moderately Turbid	1	2

Station Code	Waterbody	Data Year	Parameter	Result	Result Count	Total Field Sheet Count
W0622	Clear Run Brook	2013	Turbidity	Unobservable	1	2
W0622	Clear Run Brook	2015	Color	None	4	4
W0622	Clear Run Brook	2015	Objectionable Deposits	Not Applicable (N/A)	4	4
W0622	Clear Run Brook	2015	Odor	None	4	4
W0622	Clear Run Brook	2015	Scum	Not Applicable (N/A)	4	4
W0622	Clear Run Brook	2015	Turbidity	Moderately Turbid	1	4
W0622	Clear Run Brook	2015	Turbidity	Slightly Turbid	3	4
W1531	Clear Run Brook	2015	Color	None	4	4
W1531	Clear Run Brook	2015	Objectionable Deposits	Not Applicable (N/A)	4	4
W1531	Clear Run Brook	2015	Odor	None	4	4
W1531	Clear Run Brook	2015	Scum	Not Applicable (N/A)	4	4
W1531	Clear Run Brook	2015	Turbidity	Moderately Turbid	1	4
W1531	Clear Run Brook	2015	Turbidity	Slightly Turbid	2	4
W1531	Clear Run Brook	2015	Turbidity	Unobservable	1	4
W2383	Clear Run Brook	2013	Color	Light Yellow/Tan	2	8
W2383	Clear Run Brook	2013	Color	None	6	8
W2383	Clear Run Brook	2013	Objectionable Deposits	No	7	8
W2383	Clear Run Brook	2013	Objectionable Deposits	Yes	1	8
W2383	Clear Run Brook	2013	Odor	None	8	8
W2383	Clear Run Brook	2013	Scum	No	8	8
W2383	Clear Run Brook	2013	Turbidity	None	7	8
W2383	Clear Run Brook	2013	Turbidity	Slightly Turbid	1	8

Primary Contact Recreation

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Not Supporting	YES
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
<p><i>E. coli</i> (and occasionally <i>Enterococcus</i>) bacteria data were collected throughout the AU at the following sampling stations (data years): MassDEP 4-5 times per year in 2013 & 2015 at four sites along Clear Run Brook between the summers of 2013 and 2015 as follows: Miller Street crossing nearest Fieldwood Avenue, Seekonk (W1531) (2015), ~1750 feet downstream Miller Street, Seekonk (W2383) (2013), Miller Street crossing (nearest the Rehoboth town line), Seekonk (W0621) (2015), and Providence Street, Rehoboth (W0622) (2013). EPA 1-7 times per year in 2012, 2013, 2016-2019 at Miller Street crossing below pond nearest Fieldwood Avenue, Seekonk (EPA_CR01), Miller Street crossing (nearest the Rehoboth town line), Seekonk (EPA_CR02), and Providence Street, Rehoboth (EPA_CR03). Data analysis of these single and multi-year, low and moderate frequency <i>E. coli</i> datasets indicated generally poor water quality conditions (elevated bacteria) at the majority of sample stations as 100% of intervals (in most single year datasets) and 56-100% in four years (in most multi-year datasets) had GMs > 126 cfu/100ml, and two to three samples each year exceeded the 410 cfu/100ml STV in many of the sample years. The Primary Contact Recreational Use of Clear Run Brook will continue to be assessed as Not Supporting with the <i>E. coli</i> and Fecal coliform impairments being carried forward. An Alert is also being identified due to moderate turbidity during three of four site visits in the middle of the AU, at Miller Street crossing (nearest the Rehoboth town line), Seekonk (W0621) during the summer of 2015. The available <i>Enterococcus</i> data were too limited to assess the Primary Contact Recreational Use for this AU according to the CALM "Use Attainment Impairment Decision Schema".</p>	

Monitoring Stations

Station Code	Organization	Type	Water Body	Station Description	Latitude	Longitude
EPA_CR01	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Clear Run Brook	Clear Run Brook @ Miller Street crossing below pond nearest Fieldwood Avenue, Seekonk	41.802679	-71.309187
EPA_CR02	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Clear Run Brook	Clear Run Brook @ Miller Street crossing (nearest the Rehoboth town line), Seekonk	41.805811	-71.297687
EPA_CR03	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Clear Run Brook	Clear Run Brook @ Providence Street, Rehoboth	41.810224	-71.291907
W0621	MassDEP	Water Quality	Clear Run Brook	[Miller Street crossing (nearest the Rehoboth town line), Seekonk]	41.805818	-71.297692
W0622	MassDEP	Water Quality	Clear Run Brook	[Providence Street, Rehoboth]	41.810221	-71.291692
W1531	MassDEP	Water Quality	Clear Run Brook	[Miller Street crossing nearest Fieldwood Avenue, Seekonk]	41.802721	-71.309281
W2383	MassDEP	Water Quality	Clear Run Brook	[approximately 1750 feet downstream/southeast from Miller Street, Seekonk]	41.800693	-71.304341

Bacteria Data

Bacteria Data Collected by MassDEP and External Data Providers 2011-2020 (90-day Interval Analysis) (EPA 2020)

(MassDEP Undated 3) (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

[Result units are CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml]

Station Code	Organization	Indicator	Start Date	End Date	Sample Count	Minimum Sample Result	Maximum Sample Result	Seasonal Geometric Mean
EPA_CR01	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	202	202	202
EPA_CR01	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	24	189	67
EPA_CR01	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	04/19/16	10/12/16	7	4	114	24
EPA_CR01	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	04/19/16	04/19/16	1	10	10	10
EPA_CR01	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	04/20/17	10/12/17	7	4	384	48
EPA_CR01	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	04/24/18	10/18/18	7	4	384	26
EPA_CR01	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	05/13/19	10/22/19	6	8	2747	203
EPA_CR02	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	154	154	154
EPA_CR02	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	526	1302	828
EPA_CR02	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	04/19/16	10/12/16	7	22	839	231
EPA_CR02	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	04/19/16	04/19/16	1	10	10	10
EPA_CR02	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	04/20/17	10/12/17	7	75	1741	344
EPA_CR02	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	04/24/18	10/18/18	7	34	3266	243
EPA_CR02	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	05/13/19	10/22/19	6	108	7945	594

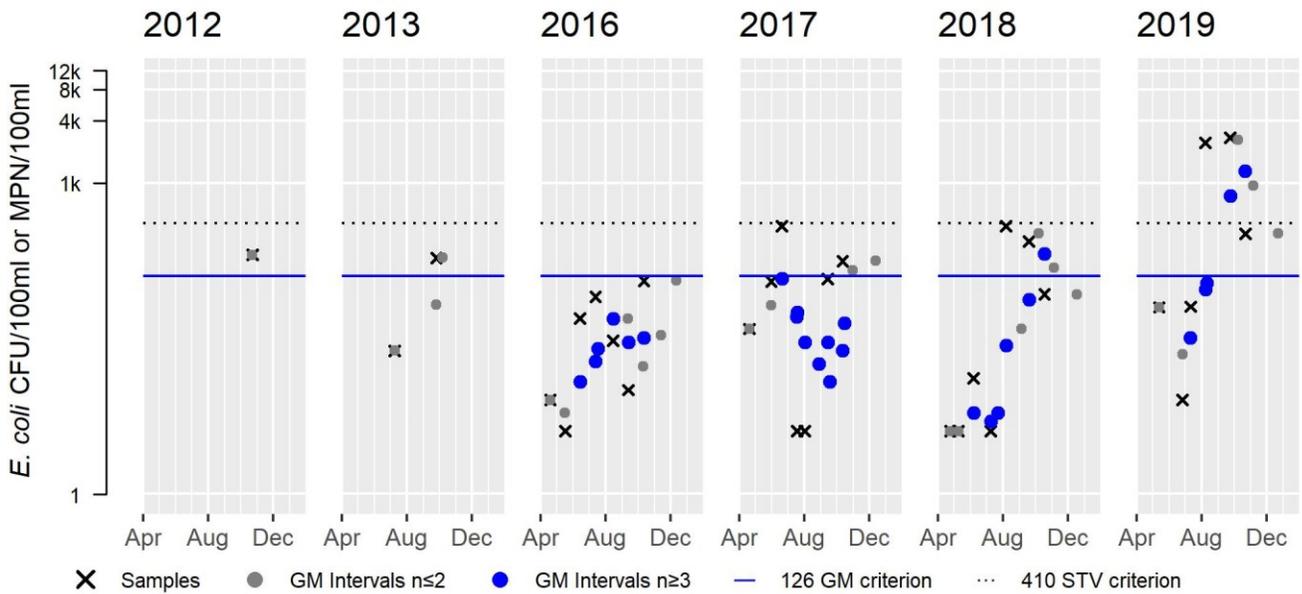
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EPA_CR03	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	12	12	12
EPA_CR03	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	04/19/16	10/12/16	7	59	717	215
EPA_CR03	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	04/19/16	04/19/16	1	41	41	41
EPA_CR03	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	04/20/17	10/12/17	7	25	362	92
EPA_CR03	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	04/24/18	10/18/18	7	21	1549	195
EPA_CR03	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	05/13/19	10/22/19	6	110	9678	528
W0621	MassDEP	E. coli	05/07/15	07/21/15	4	47	24196	1095
W0622	MassDEP	E. coli	05/06/13	09/09/13	2	432	512	470
W0622	MassDEP	E. coli	05/07/15	07/21/15	4	44	24196	516
W1531	MassDEP	E. coli	05/07/15	07/21/15	4	2	4880	182
W2383	MassDEP	E. coli	05/30/13	09/23/13	5	110	404	231

EPA_CR01 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Primary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res										
Samples	1	Samples	2	Samples	7	Samples	7	Samples	7	Samples	6
SeasGM	202	SeasGM	67	SeasGM	24	SeasGM	48	SeasGM	26	SeasGM	203
#GMI	0	#GMI	0	#GMI	6	#GMI	9	#GMI	6	#GMI	5
#GMI Ex	0	#GMI Ex	1	#GMI Ex	2						
%GMI Ex	0	%GMI Ex	17	%GMI Ex	40						
n>STV	0	n>STV	2								
%n>STV	0	%n>STV	33								

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

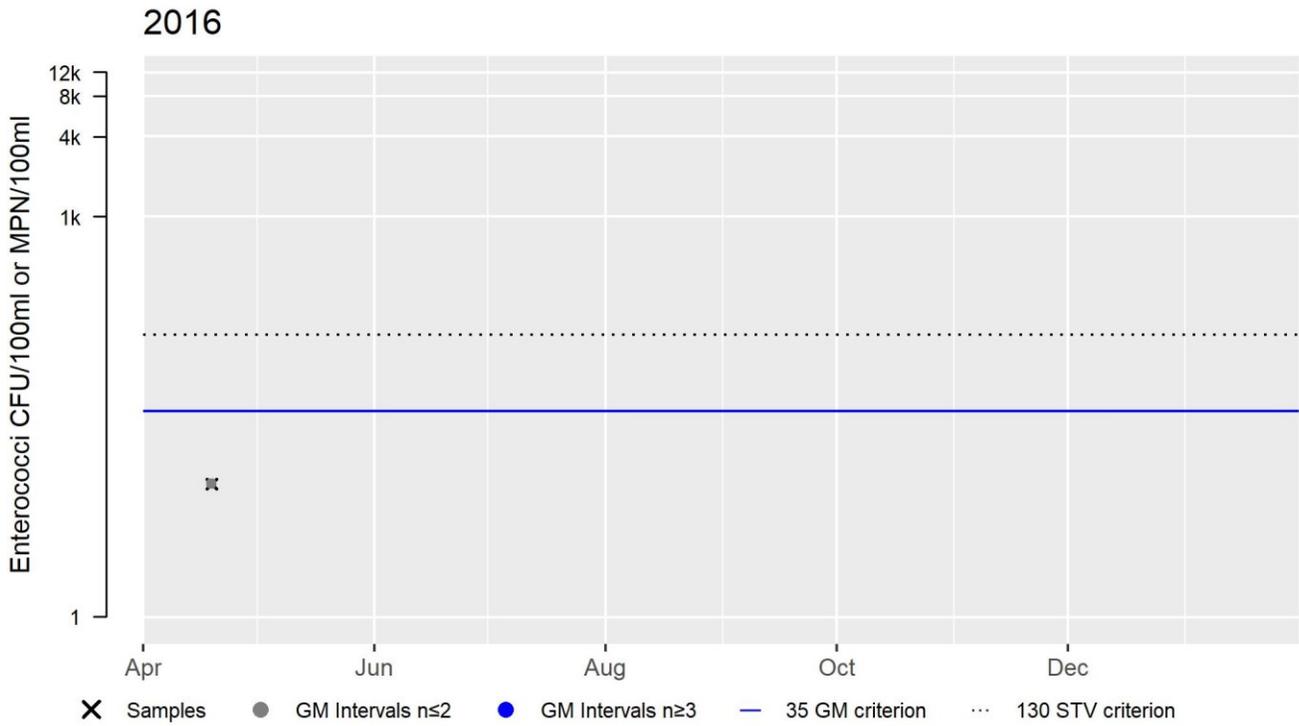
Variable	Cumulative %GMI Ex (all years)	Cumulative %GMI Ex (last 5 years)
Result	12	12



EPA_CR01 Enterococci (90-day Interval), Primary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	1
SeasGM	10
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

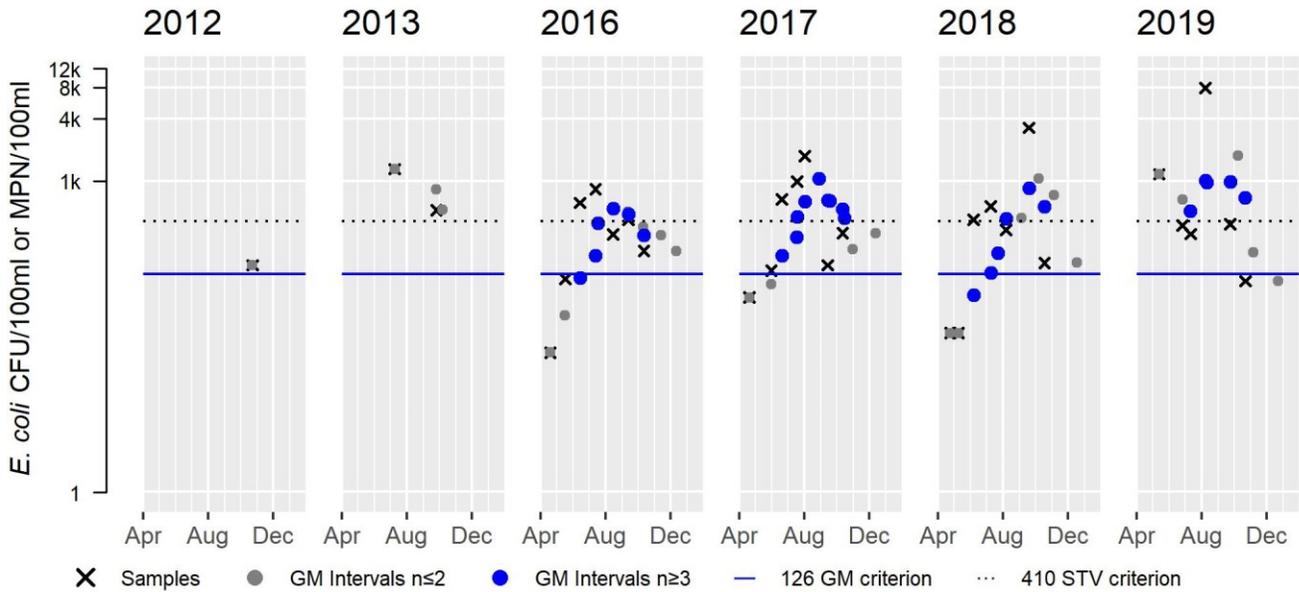


EPA_CR02 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Primary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res										
Samples	1	Samples	2	Samples	7	Samples	7	Samples	7	Samples	6
SeasGM	154	SeasGM	828	SeasGM	231	SeasGM	344	SeasGM	243	SeasGM	594
#GMI	0	#GMI	0	#GMI	6	#GMI	9	#GMI	6	#GMI	5
#GMI Ex	0	#GMI Ex	0	#GMI Ex	5	#GMI Ex	9	#GMI Ex	5	#GMI Ex	5
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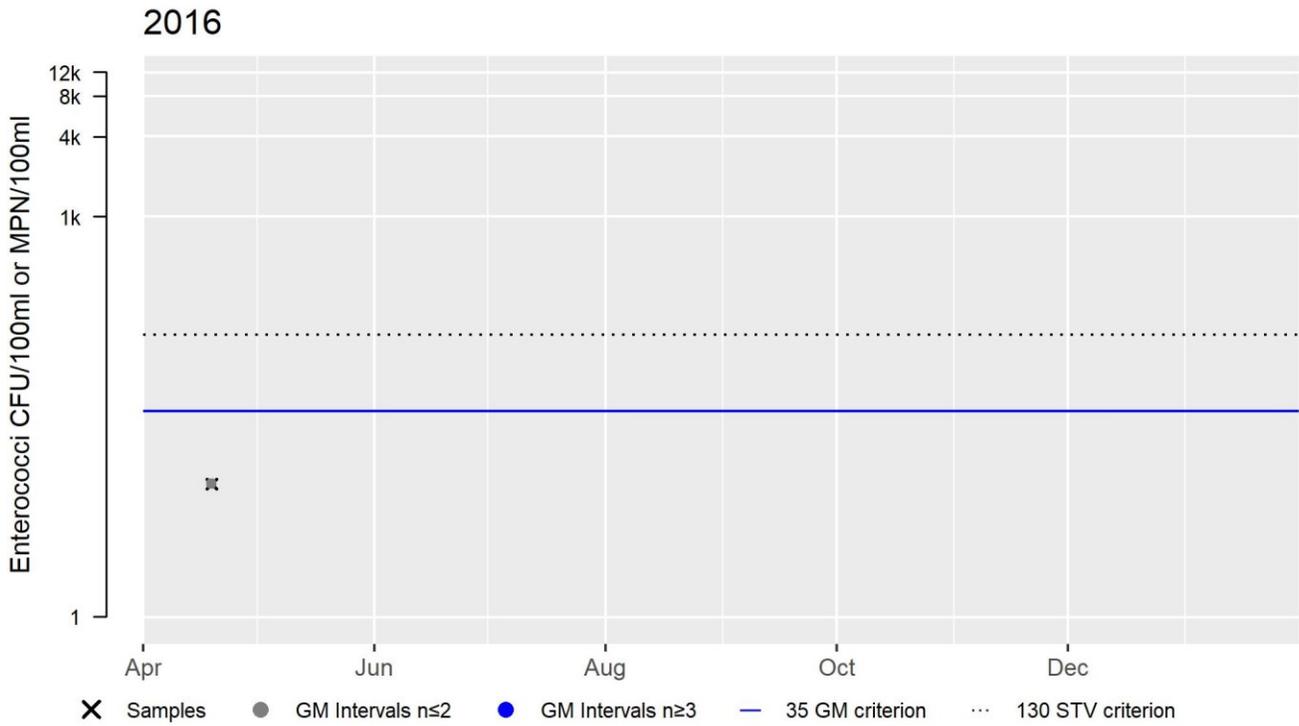
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Result	92	92



EPA_CR02 Enterococci (90-day Interval), Primary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	1
SeasGM	10
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
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n>STV	0
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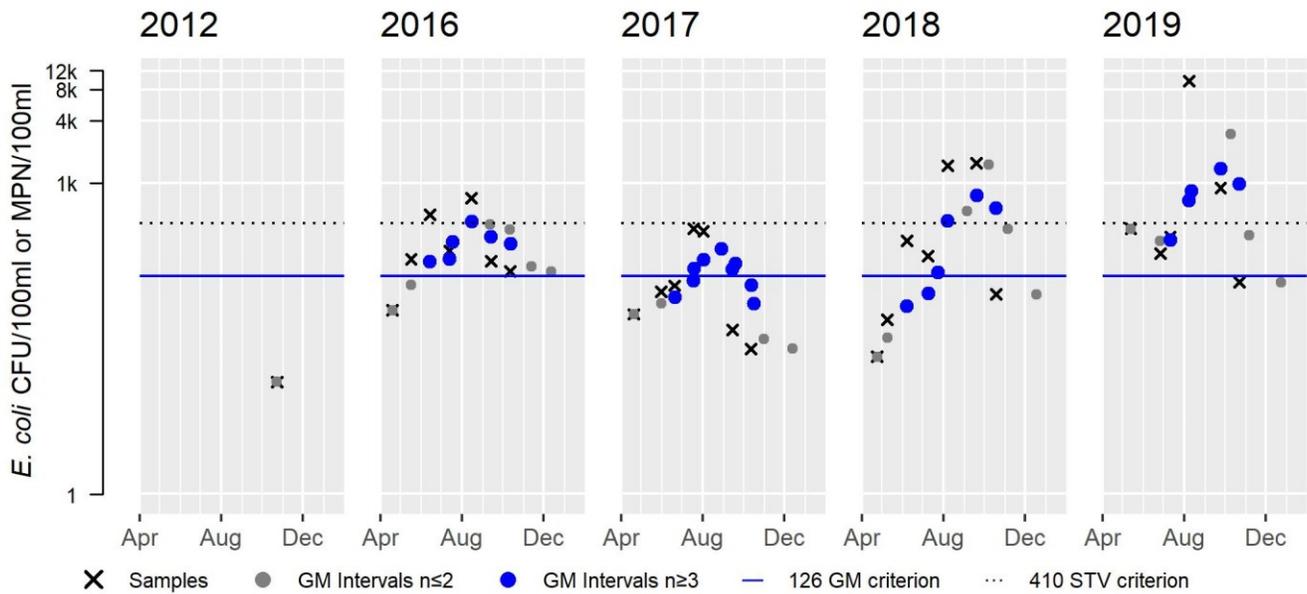


EPA_CR03 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Primary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res								
Samples	1	Samples	7	Samples	7	Samples	7	Samples	6
SeasGM	12	SeasGM	215	SeasGM	92	SeasGM	195	SeasGM	528
#GMI	0	#GMI	6	#GMI	9	#GMI	6	#GMI	5
#GMI Ex	0	#GMI Ex	6	#GMI Ex	5	#GMI Ex	4	#GMI Ex	5
%GMI Ex	0	%GMI Ex	100	%GMI Ex	56	%GMI Ex	67	%GMI Ex	100
n>STV	0	n>STV	2	n>STV	0	n>STV	2	n>STV	2
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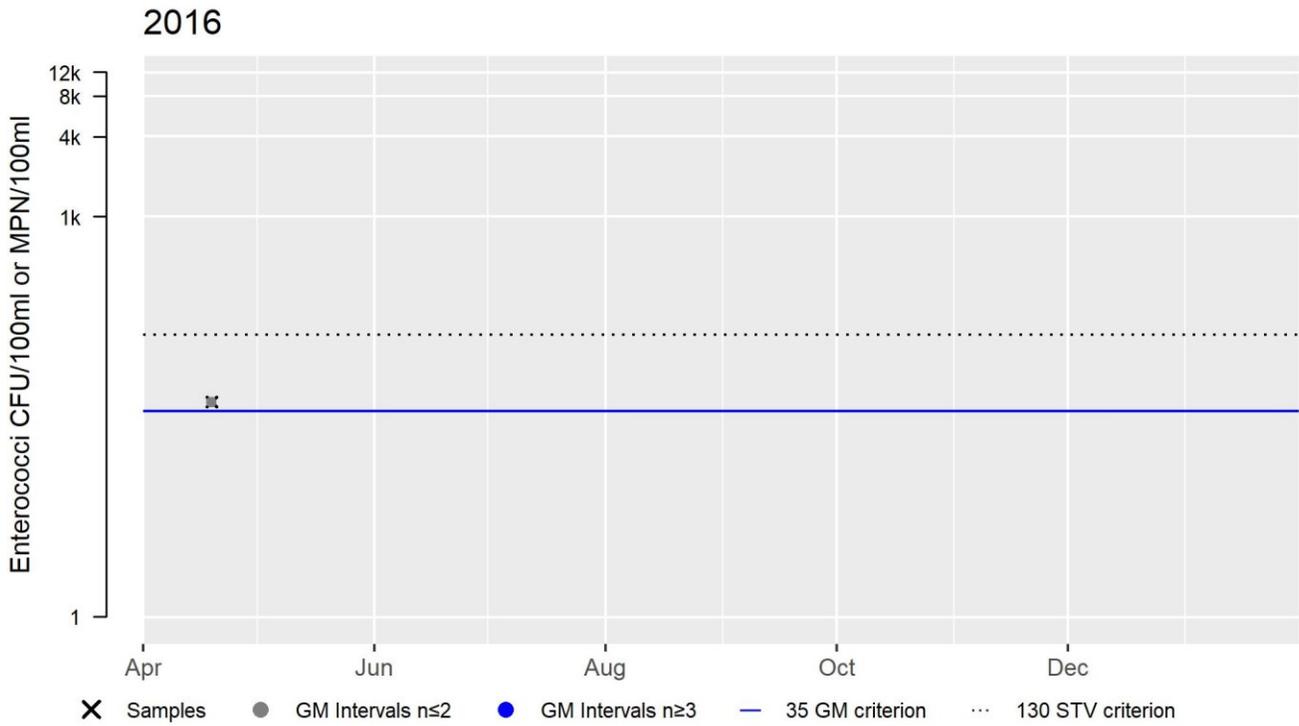
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Result	77



EPA_CR03 Enterococci (90-day Interval), Primary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	1
SeasGM	41
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

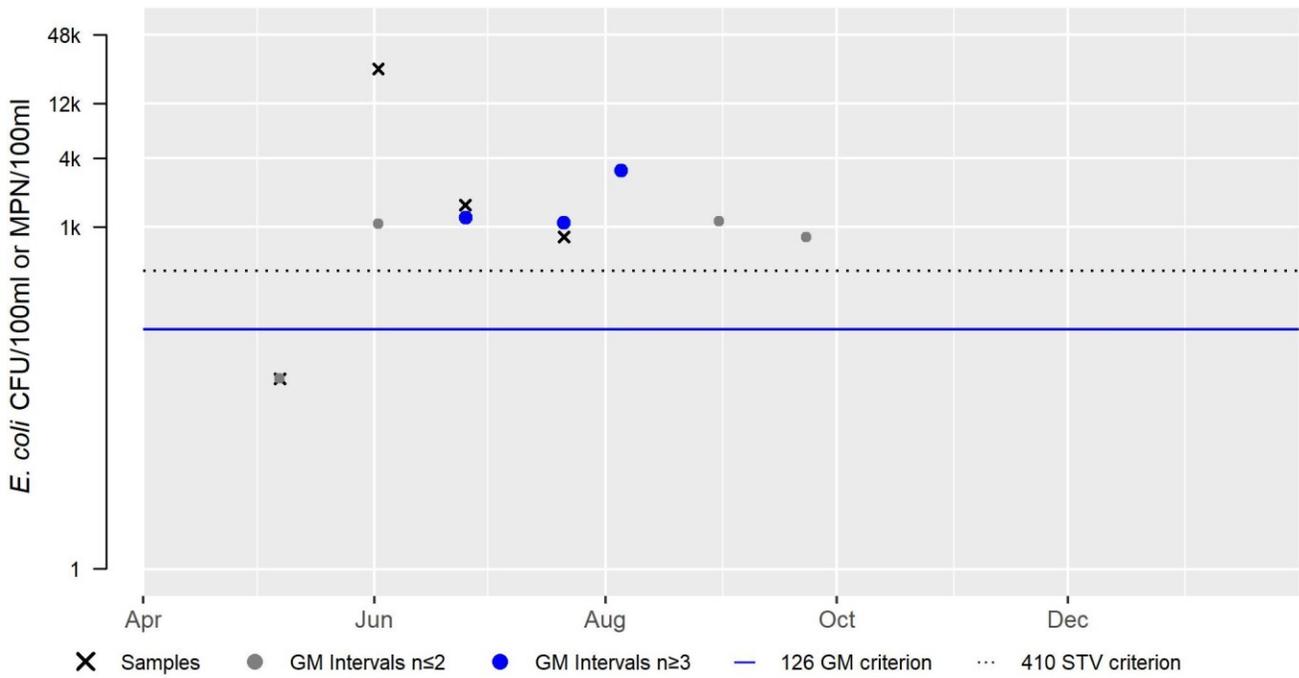


W0621 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Primary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	4
SeasGM	1095
#GMI	3
#GMI Ex	3
%GMI Ex	100
n>STV	3
%n>STV	75

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

2015



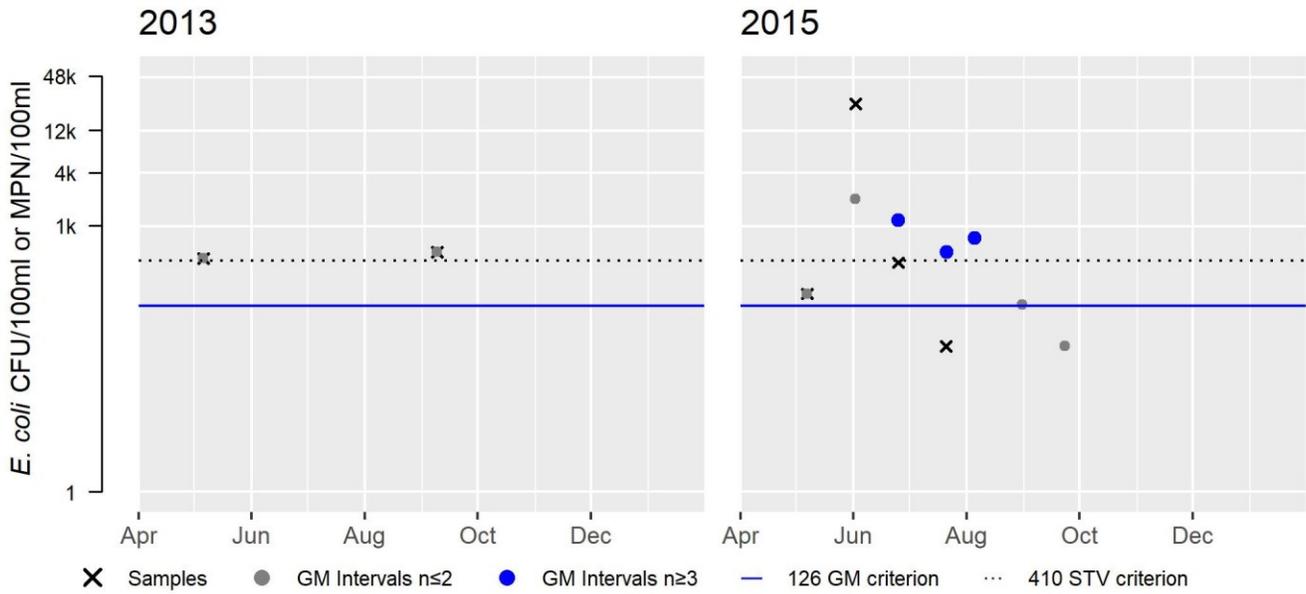
W0622 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Primary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	2
SeasGM	470
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	2
%n>STV	100

Var	Res
Samples	4
SeasGM	516
#GMI	3
#GMI Ex	3
%GMI Ex	100
n>STV	1
%n>STV	25

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

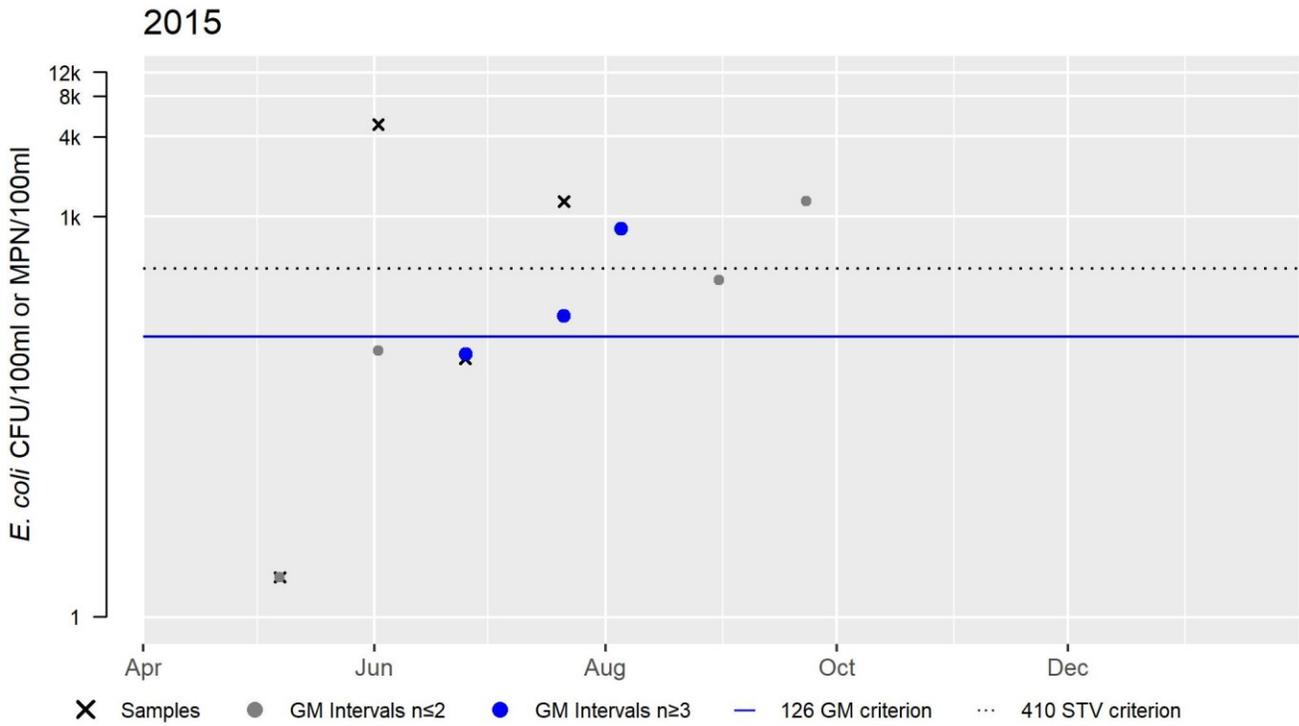
Variable	Cumulative %GMI Ex (all years)
Result	100



W1531 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Primary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	4
SeasGM	182
#GMI	3
#GMI Ex	2
%GMI Ex	67
n>STV	2
%n>STV	50

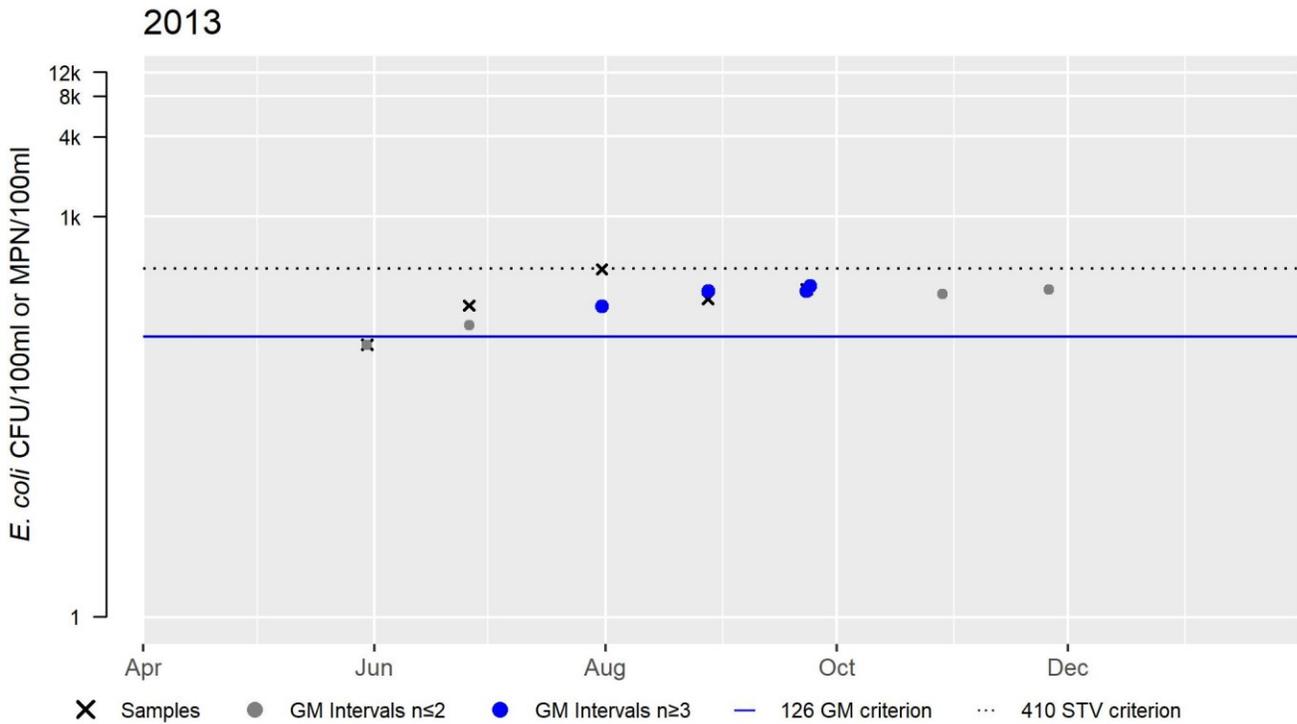
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W2383 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Primary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	5
SeasGM	231
#GMI	4
#GMI Ex	4
%GMI Ex	100
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV



MassDEP Bacteria Source Tracking (BST) Summary Statement for 2011-2019 (MassDEP Undated 1)

Summary
Prior to 2011, BST work was conducted along the Clear Run Brook AU (MA53-13), with a max dry weather <i>E. coli</i> count of 1,986MPN in the middle of the AU at Miller Street. Additional BST work was conducted in 2013 and 2015 at 3 sites along Clear Run Brook, with <i>E. coli</i> counts ranging 2 to 24,196MPN. The highest counts were recorded in the middle and downstream end of the AU (Providence Street). It was noted that there is heavy agricultural land-use upstream of Providence Street, which may explain the elevated counts at this location.

Secondary Contact Recreation

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Not Supporting	YES
2022 Use Attainment Summary	

E. coli bacteria data were collected throughout the AU at the following sampling stations (data years): MassDEP 4-5 times per year in 2013 & 2015 at four sites along Clear Run Brook between the summers of 2013 and 2015 as follows: Miller Street crossing nearest Fieldwood Avenue, Seekonk (W1531) (2015), ~1750 feet downstream Miller Street, Seekonk (W2383) (2013), Miller Street crossing (nearest the Rehoboth town line), Seekonk (W0621) (2015), and Providence Street, Rehoboth (W0622) (2013). EPA 1-7 times per year in 2012, 2013, 2016-2019 at Miller Street crossing below pond nearest Fieldwood Avenue, Seekonk (EPA_CR01), Miller Street crossing (nearest the Rehoboth town line), Seekonk (EPA_CR02), and Providence Street, Rehoboth (EPA_CR03). Data analysis of these single and multi-year, low and moderate frequency *E. coli* datasets indicated generally good water quality conditions at the upstream and downstream ends of the AU; however, analysis of the data collected in the middle of the AU at Miller Street by MassDEP (W0621) and EPA (CR02) indicated 100% of intervals had GMs >630 cfu/100ml for the single year dataset and for the multi-year dataset 30% and 67% of intervals had GMs >630 cfu/100ml in two years, and 26% of the cumulative intervals had GMs >630 cfu/100ml. The Secondary Contact Recreational Use for Clear Run Brook is assessed as Not Supporting based on the elevated *E. coli* bacteria counts in the brook at Miller Street. An Alert is also being identified due to moderate turbidity during three of four site visits in the middle of the AU, at Miller Street crossing (nearest the Rehoboth town line), Seekonk (W0621) during the summer of 2015.

Monitoring Stations

Station Code	Organization	Type	Water Body	Station Description	Latitude	Longitude
EPA_CR01	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Clear Run Brook	Clear Run Brook @ Miller Street crossing below pond nearest Fieldwood Avenue, Seekonk	41.802679	-71.309187
EPA_CR02	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Clear Run Brook	Clear Run Brook @ Miller Street crossing (nearest the Rehoboth town line), Seekonk	41.805811	-71.297687
EPA_CR03	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Clear Run Brook	Clear Run Brook @ Providence Street, Rehoboth	41.810224	-71.291907
W0621	MassDEP	Water Quality	Clear Run Brook	[Miller Street crossing (nearest the Rehoboth town line), Seekonk]	41.805818	-71.297692
W0622	MassDEP	Water Quality	Clear Run Brook	[Providence Street, Rehoboth]	41.810221	-71.291692
W1531	MassDEP	Water Quality	Clear Run Brook	[Miller Street crossing nearest Fieldwood Avenue, Seekonk]	41.802721	-71.309281
W2383	MassDEP	Water Quality	Clear Run Brook	[approximately 1750 feet downstream/southeast from Miller Street, Seekonk]	41.800693	-71.304341

Bacteria Data

Bacteria Data Collected by MassDEP and External Data Providers 2011-2020 (90-day Interval Analysis) (EPA 2020)

(MassDEP Undated 3) (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

[Result units are CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml]

Station Code	Organization	Indicator	Start Date	End Date	Sample Count	Minimum Sample Result (CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml)	Maximum Sample Result (CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml)	Seasonal Geometric Mean (CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml)
EPA_CR01	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	202	202	202
EPA_CR01	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	24	189	67

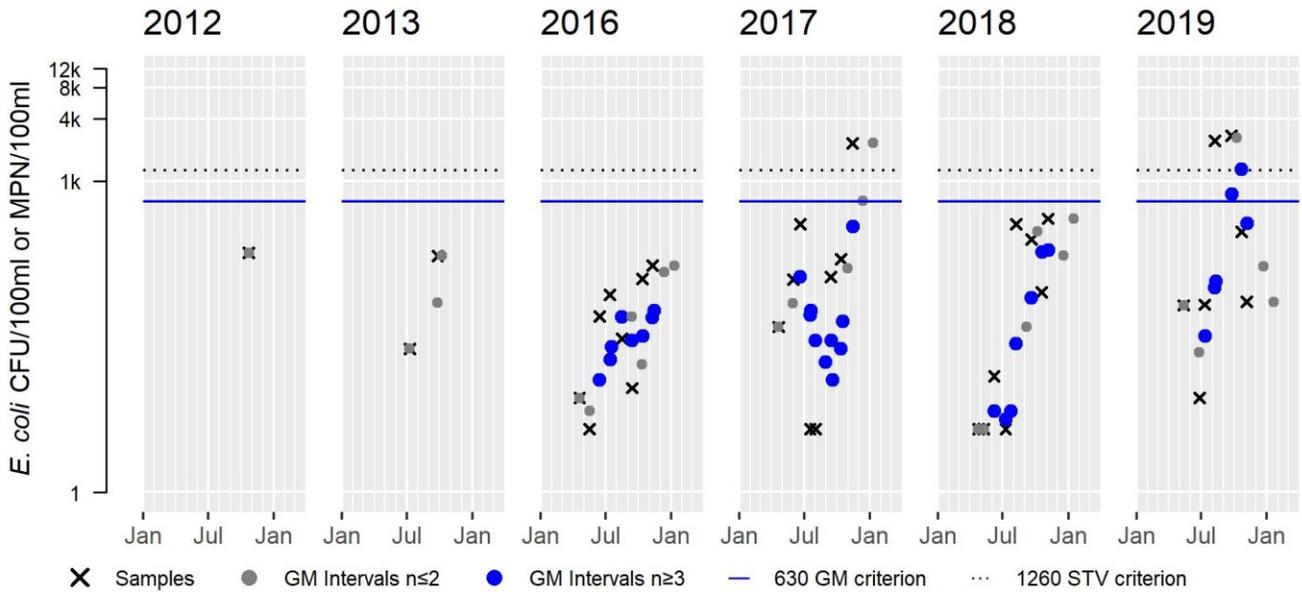
Station Code	Organization	Indicator	Start Date	End Date	Sample Count	Minimum Sample Result (CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml)	Maximum Sample Result (CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml)	Seasonal Geometric Mean (CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml)
EPA_CR01	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	04/19/16	11/09/16	8	4	152	30
EPA_CR01	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	04/20/17	11/14/17	8	4	2318	77
EPA_CR01	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	04/24/18	11/05/18	8	4	432	37
EPA_CR01	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	05/13/19	11/06/19	7	8	2747	174
EPA_CR02	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	154	154	154
EPA_CR02	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	526	1302	828
EPA_CR02	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	04/19/16	11/09/16	8	22	839	188
EPA_CR02	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	04/20/17	11/14/17	8	75	1741	379
EPA_CR02	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	04/24/18	11/05/18	8	34	3266	240
EPA_CR02	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	05/13/19	11/06/19	7	108	7945	639
EPA_CR03	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	12	12	12
EPA_CR03	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	04/19/16	11/09/16	8	43	717	176
EPA_CR03	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	04/20/17	11/14/17	8	25	749	120
EPA_CR03	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	04/24/18	11/05/18	8	21	1549	196
EPA_CR03	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	05/13/19	11/06/19	7	110	9678	486
W0621	MassDEP	E. coli	05/07/15	07/21/15	4	47	24196	1095
W0622	MassDEP	E. coli	05/06/13	09/09/13	2	432	512	470
W0622	MassDEP	E. coli	05/07/15	07/21/15	4	44	24196	516
W1531	MassDEP	E. coli	05/07/15	07/21/15	4	2	4880	182
W2383	MassDEP	E. coli	05/30/13	09/23/13	5	110	404	231

EPA_CR01 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Secondary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res										
Samples	1	Samples	2	Samples	8	Samples	8	Samples	8	Samples	7
SeasGM	202	SeasGM	67	SeasGM	30	SeasGM	77	SeasGM	37	SeasGM	174
#GMI	0	#GMI	0	#GMI	8	#GMI	10	#GMI	7	#GMI	6
#GMI Ex	0	#GMI Ex	2								
%GMI Ex	0	%GMI Ex	33								
n>STV	0	n>STV	0	n>STV	0	n>STV	1	n>STV	0	n>STV	2
%n>STV	0	%n>STV	0	%n>STV	0	%n>STV	12	%n>STV	0	%n>STV	29

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

Variable	Cumulative %GMI Ex (all years)	Cumulative %GMI Ex (last 5 years)
Result	6	6

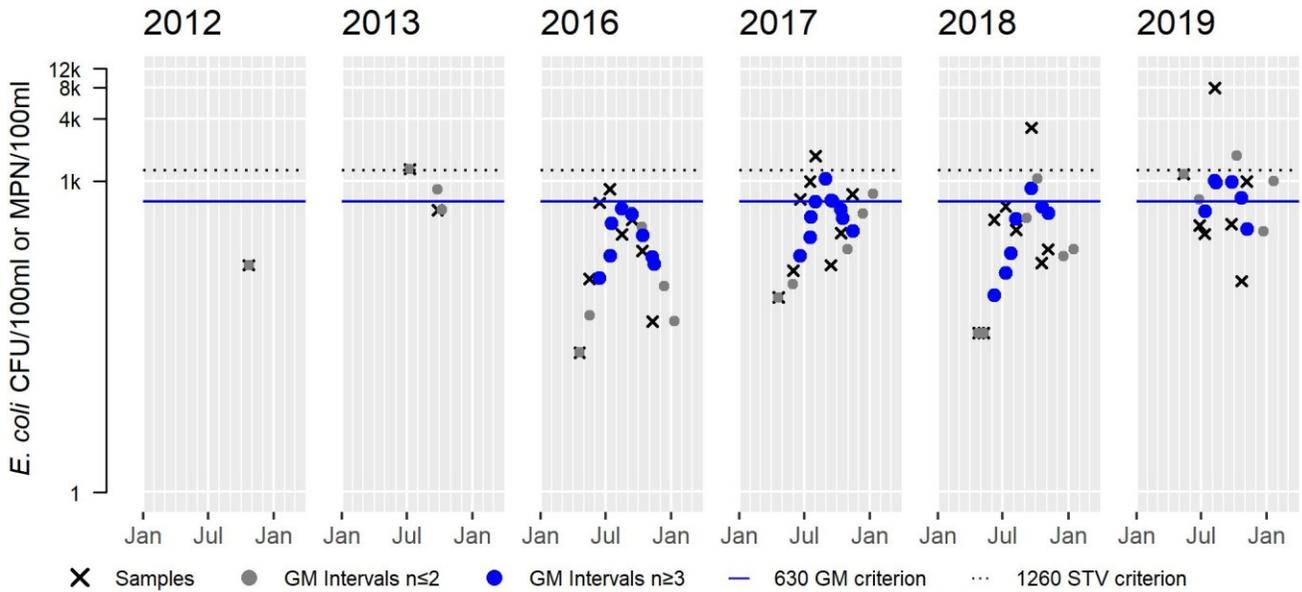


EPA_CR02 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Secondary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res										
Samples	1	Samples	2	Samples	8	Samples	8	Samples	8	Samples	7
SeasGM	154	SeasGM	828	SeasGM	188	SeasGM	379	SeasGM	240	SeasGM	639
#GMI	0	#GMI	0	#GMI	8	#GMI	10	#GMI	7	#GMI	6
#GMI Ex	0	#GMI Ex	0	#GMI Ex	0	#GMI Ex	3	#GMI Ex	1	#GMI Ex	4
%GMI Ex	0	%GMI Ex	0	%GMI Ex	0	%GMI Ex	30	%GMI Ex	14	%GMI Ex	67
n>STV	0	n>STV	1	n>STV	0	n>STV	1	n>STV	1	n>STV	1
%n>STV	0	%n>STV	50	%n>STV	0	%n>STV	12	%n>STV	12	%n>STV	14

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

Variable	Cumulative %GMI Ex (all years)	Cumulative %GMI Ex (last 5 years)
Result	26	26

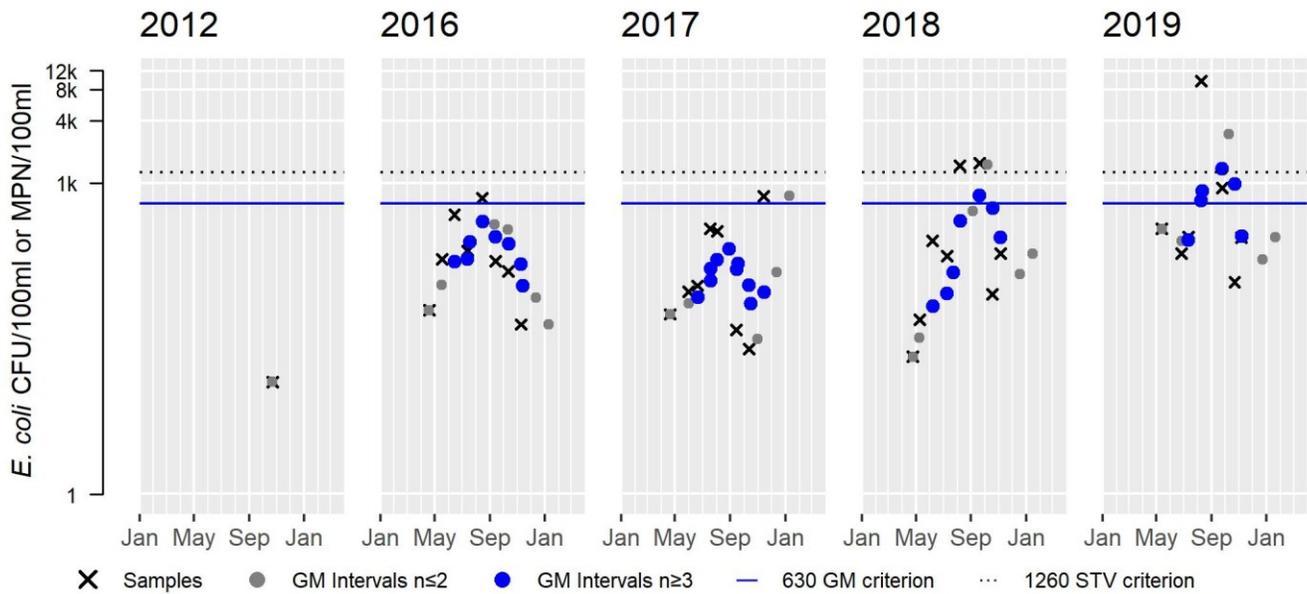


EPA_CR03 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Secondary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res								
Samples	1	Samples	8	Samples	8	Samples	8	Samples	7
SeasGM	12	SeasGM	176	SeasGM	120	SeasGM	196	SeasGM	486
#GMI	0	#GMI	8	#GMI	10	#GMI	7	#GMI	6
#GMI Ex	0	#GMI Ex	0	#GMI Ex	0	#GMI Ex	1	#GMI Ex	4
%GMI Ex	0	%GMI Ex	0	%GMI Ex	0	%GMI Ex	14	%GMI Ex	67
n>STV	0	n>STV	0	n>STV	0	n>STV	2	n>STV	1
%n>STV	0	%n>STV	0	%n>STV	0	%n>STV	25	%n>STV	14

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

Variable	Cumulative %GMI Ex (all years)
Result	16

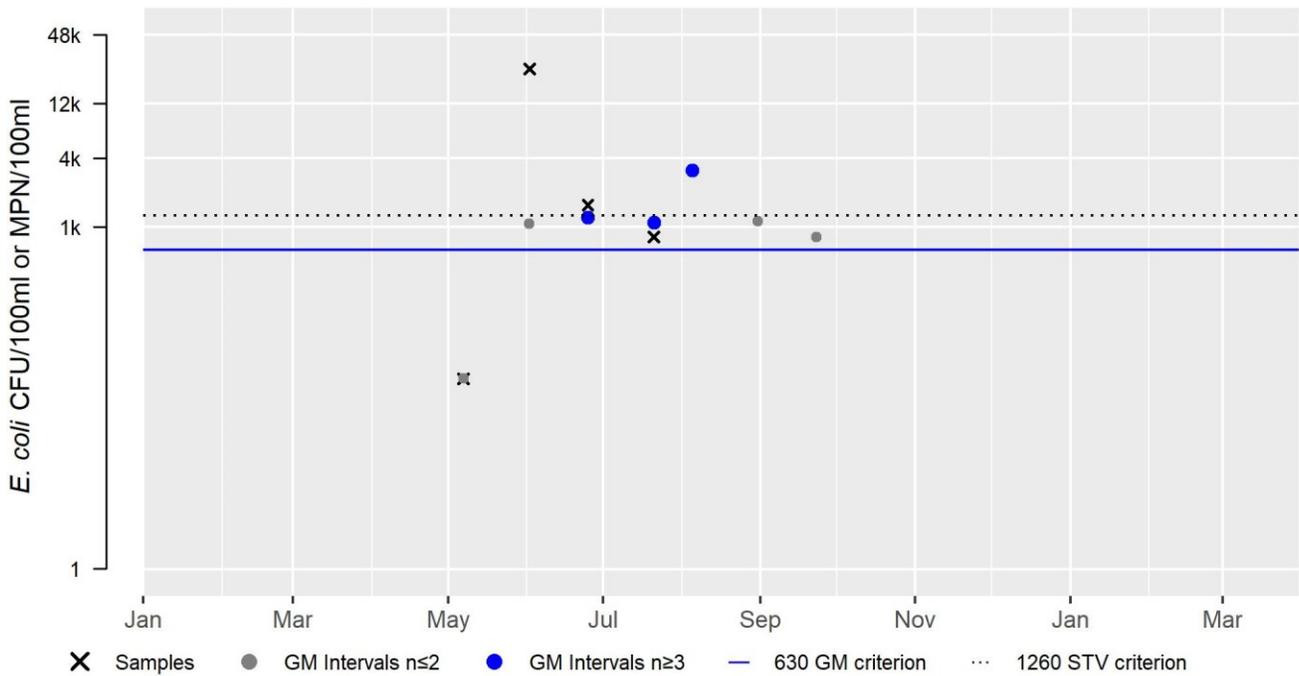


W0621 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Secondary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	4
SeasGM	1095
#GMI	3
#GMI Ex	3
%GMI Ex	100
n>STV	2
%n>STV	50

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

2015



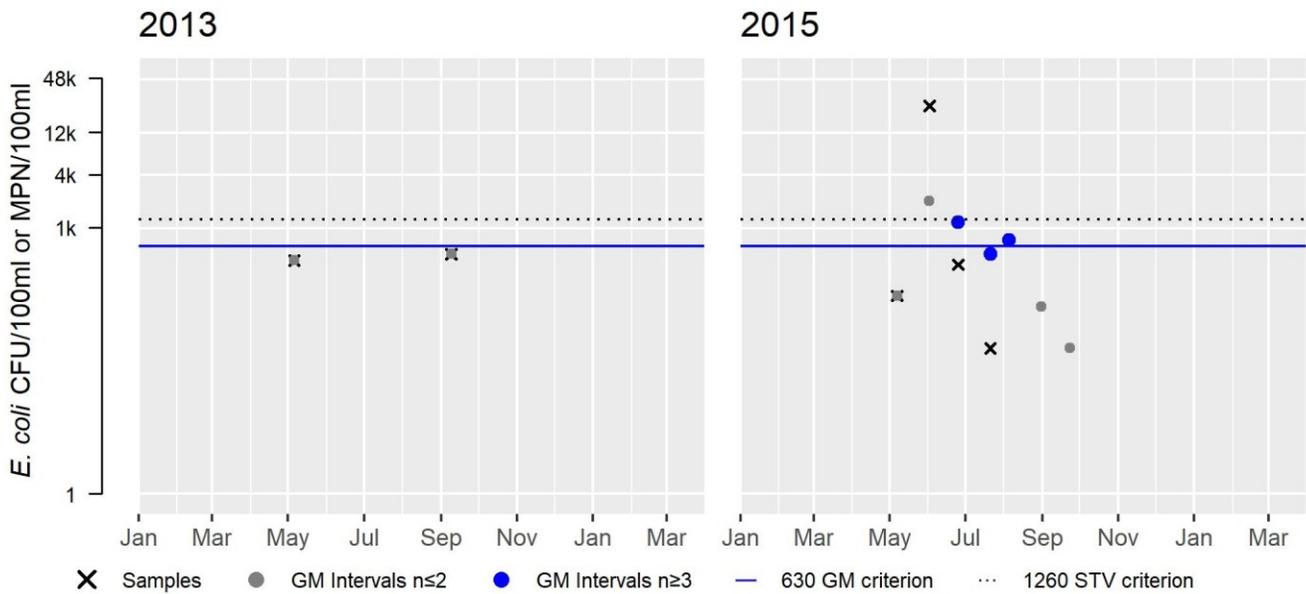
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Var	Res
Samples	2
SeasGM	470
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
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n>STV	0
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Var	Res
Samples	4
SeasGM	516
#GMI	3
#GMI Ex	2
%GMI Ex	67
n>STV	1
%n>STV	25

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

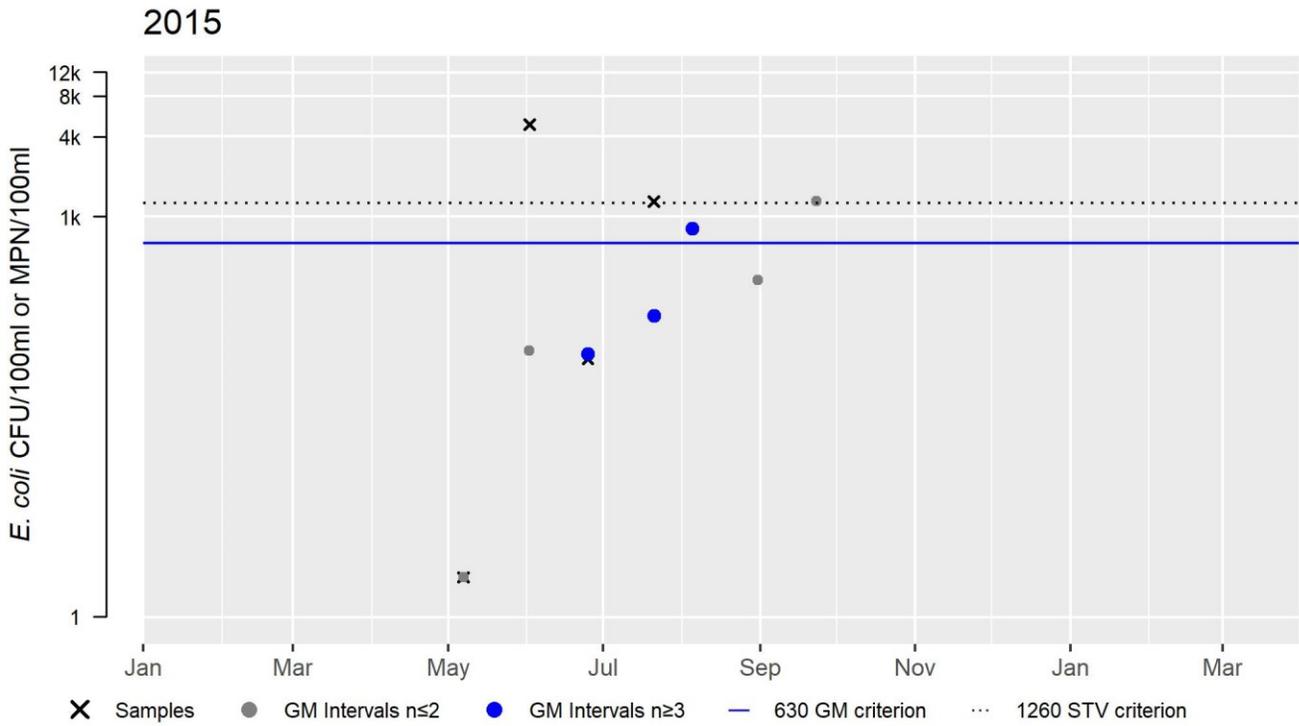
Variable	Cumulative %GMI Ex (all years)
Result	67



W1531 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Secondary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	4
SeasGM	182
#GMI	3
#GMI Ex	1
%GMI Ex	33
n>STV	2
%n>STV	50

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

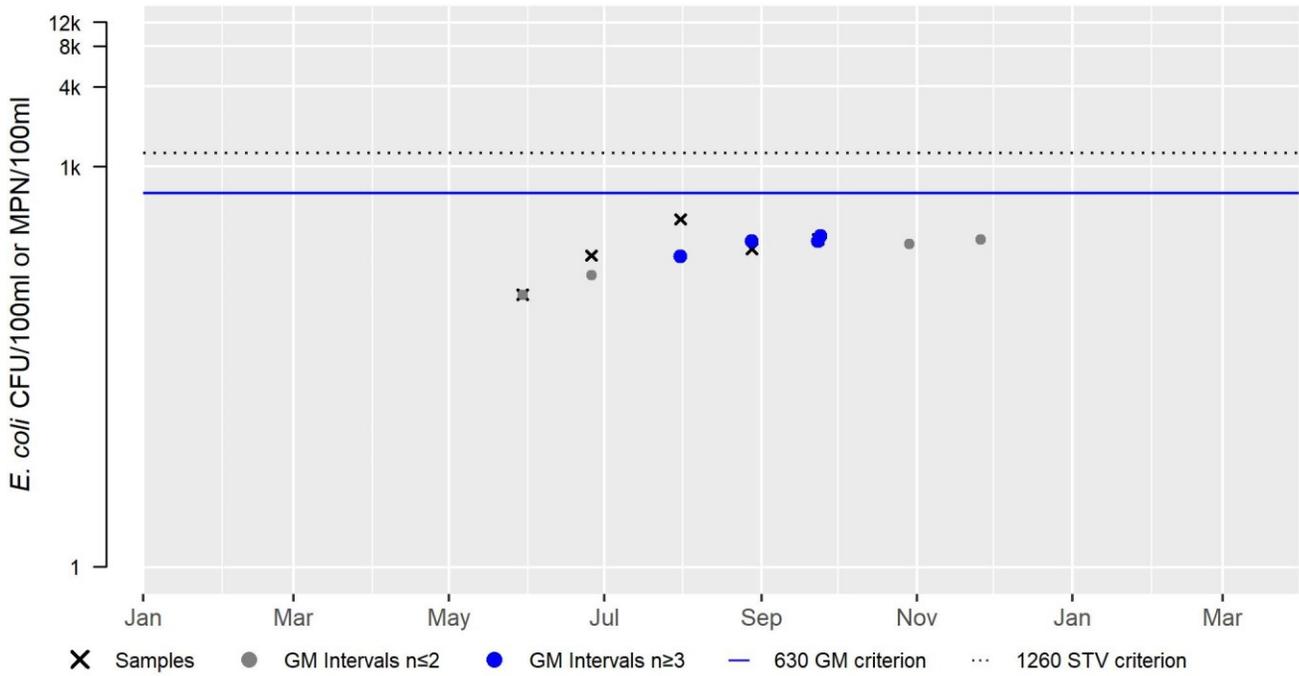


W2383 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Secondary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	5
SeasGM	231
#GMI	4
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

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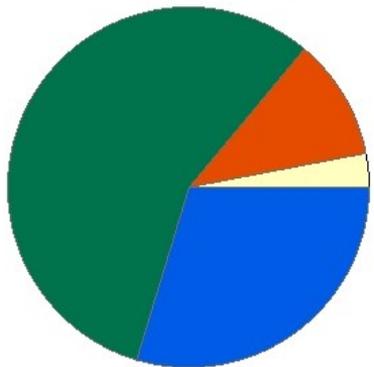


East Branch Palmer River (MA53-08)

Location:	Headwaters, near Stevens Corner Cemetery, Rehoboth to confluence with West Branch Palmer River (forming Palmer River), Rehoboth.
AU Type:	RIVER
AU Size:	7.2 MILES
Classification/Qualifier:	B

East Branch Palmer River - MA53-08

Watershed Area: 13.46 square miles



Percent Agriculture
 Percent Natural
 Percent Developed
 Percent Wetland

Landuse Type	Entire Basin	5km Radius Proximal Subbasin	100m Stream Buffer	Proximal Stream Buffer
Land Use Area (square miles)	13.46	8.45	2.8	1.68
Agriculture	3%	2.6%	3.3%	3.3%
Developed	10.9%	10.1%	9.5%	10.5%
Natural	56.5%	55.2%	46.3%	45.9%
Wetland	29.6%	32%	41%	40.3%
Impervious Cover	4.3%			

2018/20 AU Category	2022 AU Category	Impairment	ATTAINS Action ID	Impairment Change Summary
2	5	Escherichia Coli (E. Coli)		Added
2	5	Lead		Added

Impairment	Source (Confirmed Y/N)	Fish, other Aquatic Life and Wildlife	Fish Consumption	Aesthetic	Primary Contact Recreation	Secondary Contact Recreation
Escherichia Coli (E. Coli)	Source Unknown (N)				X	X
Lead	Source Unknown (N)	X				

Designated Use Attainment Decisions

Fish, other Aquatic Life and Wildlife

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Not Supporting	YES

2022 Use Attainment Summary

MassDEP biologists sampled the East Branch Palmer River near Williams St., Rehoboth during the summer of 2013 as part of the MAP2 monitoring project. Survey results can be briefly summarized as follows: the benthic sample (B0856) IBI score was indicative of satisfactory conditions (56) although it is noted that the high gradient Central Hills IBI was used to make the comparison, the fish sample collected in September 2013 (SampleID 5081) was 50% fluvial species (tessellated darter) and 24% of the sample was comprised of intolerant/moderately tolerant macrohabitat generalists, the water quality sampling data (W2398) (included both deployed probes & discrete sampling) were generally indicative of good water quality conditions--minimum DO 6.4mg/L, max temperature 29.1°C with 3 exceedances of the 7-DADM chronic criteria (27.7°C) and a max 24hr rolling avg of 27.1°C, pH ranged 5.7-6.5SU (n=3, once <6.0SU). There was no indication of nutrient enrichment issues: seasonal average total phosphorus concentration 0.039mg/L (n=5), max DO saturation 88.1%, max diel DO shift 1.4mg/L, and there were no observations of dense/very dense filamentous algae. The maximum specific conductance was low (96µS/cm, n=3) with a maximum chloride concentration of 18mg/L (n=5); total ammonia nitrogen concentrations were low (max 0.1mg/L, n=5) with no toxicity estimated. There were no acute or chronic metals criteria exceedances except for lead which exceeded chronic criteria (TUs 1.1, 1.6, 2.9). EPA conducted some very limited discrete water quality monitoring at three sites along the lower half of the river in Rehoboth at Winthrop St. (EPA_EB38), Moulton St. (EPA_EB40) & further west on Winthrop St. (EPA_EB39) in 2012 & 2013 (three surveys total). Data were usually indicative of good water quality (a summary incorporating data from all stations follows): max temperature 23.4°C (n=9); minimum DO 4.1mg/L (n=9) (all except two measurements >5mg/L) with max DO saturation of 88.1%, and pH 6.6-7.2SU (n=9). Specific conductance was all low (max 161µS/cm n=9). DMF biologists assigned a passage score of "10" (no possible passage) to the Village Dam (NATID# MA02467), upstream of Bay State Rd, Rehoboth. The targeted fish species are river herring and American eel. Since the population score at the Dam was noted to be "0" (no run present), an impairment decision will not be made for this AU based on diadromous fish passage at this time. The Aquatic Life Use of East Branch Palmer River (MA53-08) will be assessed as Not Supporting due to the chronic lead criteria exceedances in all three samples collected in May, June, and July 2013. The previous Alert regarding obstruction to fish passage at the Village Dam, will be carried forward.

Monitoring Stations

Station Code	Organization	Type	Water Body	Station Description	Latitude	Longitude
5081	MassDEP	Fish Community	East Branch Palmer River	~1600 ft US/N of Williams St xing, adj to cedar brook school	41.86478	-71.22919
B0856	MassDEP	Benthic	East Branch (Palmer River)/	[approximately 490 meters upstream/north from Williams Street, Rehoboth, MA]	41.864782	-71.229186
W2398	MassDEP	Water Quality	East Branch (Palmer River)	[approximately 1600 feet upstream/north from Williams Street, Rehoboth]	41.864782	-71.229186

Station Code	Organization	Type	Water Body	Station Description	Latitude	Longitude
EPA_EB38	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	East Branch Palmer R	East Branch Palmer River mainstem @ Rt.44, Rehoboth	41.859784	-71.229204
EPA_EB39	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	East Branch Palmer R	East Branch Palmer River mainstem @ Rt.44, Rehoboth	41.846528	-71.253522
EPA_EB40	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	East Branch Palmer R	East Branch Palmer River mainstem @ Rt.118 Moulton Street, Rehoboth	41.842427	-71.242212

*Biological Monitoring Information**Benthic Macroinvertebrate Data***MassDEP Benthic Macroinvertebrate Data (2011-2017).** (MassDEP Undated 4)

[Index Biological Condition Class: E= Exceptional, S= Satisfactory, MD= Moderately Degraded, SD= Severely Degraded; High Gradient IBI Thresholds: E= 100-75, S= 74-55, MD= 54-35, SD= 34-0; Low Gradient IBI Thresholds: E= 100-81, S= 80-62, MD= 61-38, SD= 37-0; R qualifier = Rarefaction (100ct) <55]

Station Code	Collection Date	Collection Method	Index Type	Organism Count	Index Score	Index Biological Condition Class
B0856	07/11/13	RBP kicknet	Central_Hills_300ct_SE	289	56	S

*Fish Community Data and DELTS***Fish Community Data (2012-2019) Provided by MassDFG.** (MassDFG 2020) (MassDEP Undated 2)

[Sample Type: TP= Total Pickup, SP= Selective Pickup, Method: BT=Boat Shocking, BP= Backpack Shocking, BG= Barge Shocking, SE= Seine, SL= Snorkel, NS= Not Stated, MT= Minnow Trap, GN= Gillnet, FY= Fyke Net, Gradient: H = High, L = Low; I/MT MG= Intolerant/Moderately Tolerant Macrohabitat Generalist]

[Species List: AE = American Eel, RP = Redfin Pickerel, SL = Sea Lamprey, TD = Tesselated Darter, YB = Yellow Bullhead]

Sample ID	Sample Date	Method	Sample Type	Gradient	Total Taxa	Total Ind	Cold Ind %	Fluvial Taxa	Fluvial Ind %	Intol Ind %	I/MT MG Taxa	I/MT MG Ind %	Notables	CFR	Species List
5081	09/19/13	NS	TP		5	94	0%	1	50%	0%	1	24%	No	No	AE, RP, SL, TD, YB,

*Habitat and Flow Data (anthropogenic alterations)***MassDMF Status of Priority Diadromous Fish Passage Barriers.** (Chase 2020)

Assessment Summary
DMF biologists note a structure causing passage limitation to diadromous fish at the downstream end of the East Branch Palmer River AU. The Village Dam (NATID# MA02467) (with no associated fishway) located just upstream of Bay State Road in Rehoboth, was given a passage score of "10" on a 0-10 scale, indicating that the dam allows no possible passage of the targeted fish species, river herring and American eel. The population score was noted to be "0" (no run present). It was further noted by DMF biologists that improvement of this structure is a low priority, due to less than 1 acre of habitat being available in this tributary. Since the population score at the Village Dam was noted to be 0, an impairment decision will not be made for East Branch Palmer River (Assessment Unit MA53-08) based on diadromous fish passage information, at this time.

*Physico-chemical Water Quality Information**DO, pH, Temperature***MassDEP Short-term Continuous Dissolved Oxygen Data (2011-2018).** (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

[Note: Most deploys 3-5 days in length; Day Count= total # of days over all deploys; XDADMin= 3-5 Day Average of the Daily Minima, XDADA= 3-5 Day Average of the Daily Average, CW= Coldwater, WW= Warmwater]

Station Code	Data Year	Deploys Count	Day Count	DO Min (mg/L)	Min XDADMin (mg/L)	Min XDADA (mg/L)	Delta DO Max (mg/L)	Count CW XDADMin <6.0	Count CW 1Day Min <5.0	Count WW Early Life Stages XDADA <6.5	Count WW Early Life Stages 1Day Min <5.0	Count WW Other Life Stages XDADMin <5.0	Count WW Other Life Stages 1Day Min <4.0
W2398	2013	2	8	6.4	7	7.4	1.4	0	0	0	0	0	0

MassDEP Discrete Dissolved Oxygen Data (2011-2018). (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

[CW= Coldwater, WW= Warmwater]

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	DO Count	DO Min (mg/L)	DO Avg (mg/L)	Count CW <5.0	Count WW Early Life Stages <5.0	Count WW Other Life Stages <4.0
W2398	05/08/13	09/04/13	3	6.5	7.3	0	0	0

MassDEP Long-term Continuous Temperature Data (Summer Index 2011-2018). (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

[Summer Index is June 1 – Sept 15; Max Daily Mean= Maximum 24-Hour Average, 7DADM= 7-Day Average of the Daily Maxima, 7DADA= 7-Day Average of the Daily Average, CW= Coldwater, WW= Warmwater Note: In the case of more than one row of data in the same year for a site, different types of temperature probes were deployed.]

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	Index Count	7day Count	Max Daily Mean (°C)	Max Temp (°C)	Max 7DADM (°C)	Max 7DADA (°C)	Count CWTier1 7DADM >20	Count CWTier1 Daily Mean >23.5	Count CWTier2 7DADA >21	Count CWTier2 Daily Mean >24.1	Count WW 7DADM >27.7	Count WW Daily Mean >28.3
W2398	06/01/13	09/03/13	95	92	26.8	29.1	28.3	26.0	80	19	49	16	3	0

MassDEP Short-term Continuous Temperature Data (Summer Index 2011-2018). (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

[Summer Index is June 1 – Sept 15; Most Deploys 3-5 Days in Length; Day Count= total # of days over all deploys; Max Daily Mean= Maximum 24-Hour Average, XDADM= 3-5 Day Average of the Daily Maxima, XDADA= 3-5 Day Average of the Daily Average, CW= Coldwater, WW= Warmwater]

Station Code	Data Year	Deploys Count	Day Count	Max Daily Mean (°C)	Max Temp (°C)	Max XDADM (°C)	Max XDADA (°C)	Count CWTier1 XDADM >20	Count CWTier1 Daily Mean >23.5	Count CWTier2 XDADA >21	Count CWTier2 Daily Mean >24.1	Count WW XDADM >27.7	Count WW Daily Mean >28.3
W2398	2013	2	8	21.8	23.8	23.3	21.6	1	0	1	0	0	0

24-hour Rolling Average Calculations for MassDEP Short- and Long-term Continuous Temperature Data (Summer Index 2011-2018). (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

[Summer Index is June 1 – Sept 15; CW= Coldwater, WW= Warmwater Note: In the case of more than one row of data in the same year for a site, different types of temperature probes were deployed.]

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	Count Days Deployed	24hr Rolling Count	Max 24hr Avg Rolling Temp (°C)	Count CWTier1 24hr Avg Rolling >23.5 °C	Count CWTier2 24hr Avg Rolling >24.1 °C	Count WW 24hr Avg Rolling >28.3°C
W2398	06/01/13	09/04/13	96	4587	27.1	936	752	0
W2398	06/06/13	08/13/13	68	384	21.8	0	0	0

MassDEP Discrete Temperature Data (2011-2018). (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)
 [Summer Index is June 1 – Sept 15; CW= Coldwater, WW= Warmwater]

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	Temp Count	Index Count	Temp Max (°C)	Temp Avg (°C)	Count CW >20	Count CW >22	Count WW >28.3	Count WW >30.3
W2398	05/08/13	09/04/13	5	4	25.9	20.3	3	1	0	0

MassDEP Discrete pH Data (2011-2018). (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	pH Count	pH Min (SU)	pH Max (SU)	pH Count <6.5 & >8.3	pH Count <6.0 & >8.8
W2398	05/08/13	09/04/13	3	5.7	6.5	2	1

EPA Freshwater Discrete Dissolved Oxygen Data (2012-2013). (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)
 [CW= Coldwater, WW= Warmwater]

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	DO Count	DO Min (mg/L)	DO Avg (mg/L)	Count CW <5.0	Count WW Early Life Stages <5.0	Count WW Other Life Stages <4.0
EPA_EB38	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	9.1	9.1	0	0	0
EPA_EB38	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	4.1	6.1	1	1	0
EPA_EB39	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	9.5	9.5	0	0	0
EPA_EB39	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	5.4	7.1	0	0	0
EPA_EB40	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	9.5	9.5	0	0	0
EPA_EB40	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	4.7	7.1	1	1	0

EPA Freshwater Discrete Temperature Data (2012, 2013 & 2016-2019). (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)
 [Summer Index is June 1 – Sept 15; CW= Coldwater, WW= Warmwater]

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	Temp Count	Index Count	Temp Max (°C)	Temp Avg (°C)	Count CW >20	Count CW >22	Count WW >28.3	Count WW >30.3
EPA_EB38	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	0	11.6	11.6	0	0	0	0
EPA_EB38	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	1	22.2	17.4	1	1	0	0
EPA_EB39	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	0	11.6	11.6	0	0	0	0
EPA_EB39	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	1	23.4	18.0	1	1	0	0
EPA_EB40	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	0	11.5	11.5	0	0	0	0
EPA_EB40	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	1	22.1	17.1	1	1	0	0

EPA Discrete pH Data (2012-2013). (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	pH Count	pH Min (SU)	pH Max (SU)	pH Count <6.5 or >8.3	pH Count <6.0 or >8.8
EPA_EB38	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	7.2	7.2	0	0
EPA_EB38	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	6.6	6.7	0	0
EPA_EB39	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	7.2	7.2	0	0
EPA_EB39	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	6.8	6.9	0	0
EPA_EB40	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	7.1	7.1	0	0
EPA_EB40	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	6.6	6.8	0	0

Nutrients (Primary Producer Screening, Physico-chemical Screening)

MassDEP Nutrient Enrichment Indicator Data (2011-2018). (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

[Summer seasonal total phosphorus data collected May-Sept]

Station Code	Data Year	Seasonal TP Count	Seasonal TP Min (mg/L)	Seasonal TP Max (mg/L)	Seasonal TP Avg (mg/L)	Delta DO Max (mg/L)	Delta DO Avg (mg/L)	DO Sat Max (%)	pH Max (SU)	Count Algal Obsv.	Dense/V. Dense Film/Fila. Algae
W2398	2013	5	0.021	0.077	0.039	1.4	0.7	89.1	6.5	7	0

EPA Freshwater Nutrient Enrichment Indicator Data (2012, 2013 & 2016-2019). (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)

[Summer seasonal total phosphorus data collected May-Sept]

Station Code	Data Year	Seasonal TP Count	Seasonal TP Min (mg/L)	Seasonal TP Max (mg/L)	Seasonal TP Avg (mg/L)	DO Sat Max (%)	pH Max (SU)
EPA_EB38	2012	--	--	--	--	83.6	7.2
EPA_EB38	2013	--	--	--	--	73.2	6.7
EPA_EB39	2012	--	--	--	--	88.1	7.2
EPA_EB39	2013	--	--	--	--	82.6	6.9
EPA_EB40	2012	--	--	--	--	87.5	7.1
EPA_EB40	2013	--	--	--	--	87.1	6.8

Toxics and other pollutants (metals, ammonia, chloride, chlorine)

MassDEP Clean Metals Water Column Data (2011-2018), Acute Criteria Violations. (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

[CMC= Criterion Maximum Concentration, TU= Toxic Unit]

Station Code	Data Year	Metals Count	As CMC TU >1	Cd CMC TU >1	Cr III CMC TU >1	Cu CMC TU >1	Pb CMC TU >1	Ni CMC TU >1	Ag CMC TU >1	Zn CMC TU >1
W2398	2013	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

MassDEP Clean Metals Water Column Data (2011-2018), Chronic Criteria Violations. (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

[CCC= Criterion Continuous Concentration, TU= Toxic Unit]

Station Code	Data Year	Metals Count	As CCC TU >1	Cd CCC TU >1	Cr III CCC TU >1	Cu CCC TU >1	Pb CCC TU >1	Ni CCC TU >1	Se CCC TU >1	Zn CCC TU >1
W2398	2013	3	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0

MassDEP Clean Metals Water Column Data (2011-2018), Selected TU Calculations. (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

[CMC= Criterion Maximum Concentration, CCC= Criterion Continuous Concentration, TU= Toxic Unit]

Station Code	Sample Date	Cd CMC TU	Cd CCC TU	Cu CMC TU	Cu CCC TU	Pb CMC TU	Pb CCC TU
W2398	05/06/13	0.4	0.7	0.2	0.29	0.0	1.1
W2398	06/19/13	0.4	0.6	0.6	0.70	0.1	2.9
W2398	07/29/13	0.2	0.4	0.2	0.21	0.1	1.6

MassDEP Dissolved Aluminum Water Column Data (2011-2018). (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

[Since only dissolved aluminum data were available, these data were compared to the default freshwater criteria for total recoverable aluminum (TRA), presented in Appendix E of MassDEP's 2022 CALM. As dissolved Al is a fraction of TRA, an exceedance count of 0 does not rule out violations of the TRA criteria. CMC= Criterion Maximum Concentration, CCC= Criterion Continuous Concentration, TU= Toxic Unit]

Station Code	Data Year	Dissolved Al Count	Al Min (mg/L)	Al Max (mg/L)	Al Avg (mg/L)	Al CMC TU Max	Al CCC TU Max	Al CMC TU >1	Al CCC TU >1
W2398	2013	3	0.066	0.21	0.123	0.5	0.9	0	0

MassDEP Total Ammonia Nitrogen (TAN) Data (2011-2018). (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)[TAN= NH₃ + NH₄⁺]

Station Code	Data Year	TAN Count	TAN Min (mg/L)	TAN Max (mg/L)	TAN Avg (mg/L)	Count TAN >Chronic	Count TAN >Acute
W2398	2013	5	0.020	0.100	0.042	0	0

MassDEP Chloride Data (2011-2018). (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

Station Code	Data Year	Chloride Count	Chloride Min (mg/L)	Chloride Max (mg/L)	Chloride Avg (mg/L)	Count Chloride >230	Count Chloride >860
W2398	2013	5	14	18	16	0	0

MassDEP Discrete Specific Conductance Data (2011-2018) Compared to Estimated Chloride Criteria. (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	SpCond Count	SpCond Min (µs/cm)	SpCond Max (µs/cm)	Count SpCond >904	Count SpCond >994	Count SpCond >3193	Count SpCond >3512	Consecutive sets >904	Consecutive sets >994
W2398	05/08/13	09/04/13	3	51	96	0	0	0	0	0	0

EPA Discrete Specific Conductance Data (2012-2013, 2016-2019) Compared to Estimated Chloride Criteria. (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	SpCond Count	SpCond Min (µs/cm)	SpCond Max (µs/cm)	Count SpCond >904	Count SpCond >994	Count SpCond >3193	Count SpCond >3512	Consecutive sets >904	Consecutive sets >994
EPA_EB38	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	101	101	0	0	0	0	0	0
EPA_EB38	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	124	139	0	0	0	0	0	0
EPA_EB39	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	108	108	0	0	0	0	0	0

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	SpCond Count	SpCond Min (µs/cm)	SpCond Max (µs/cm)	Count SpCond >904	Count SpCond >994	Count SpCond >3193	Count SpCond >3512	Consecutive sets >904	Consecutive sets >994
EPA_EB39	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	151	159	0	0	0	0	0	0
EPA_EB40	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	104	104	0	0	0	0	0	0
EPA_EB40	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	147	161	0	0	0	0	0	0

Fish Consumption

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Not Assessed	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
No site-specific fish consumption advisory has been issued by DPH, therefore the Fish Consumption Use for East Branch Palmer River (MA53-08), is Not Assessed.	

Aesthetic

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Fully Supporting	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
MassDEP staff recorded aesthetics observations of East Branch Palmer River ~1600 ft upstream of Williams St., Rehoboth (W2398) during the summer of 2013. There were generally no noted objectionable conditions (odors, deposits, growths, or turbidity) recorded (n=8). The Aesthetics Use for the East Branch Palmer River is assessed as Fully Supporting.	

Monitoring Stations

Station Code	Organization	Type	Water Body	Station Description	Latitude	Longitude
W2398	MassDEP	Water Quality	East Branch (Palmer River)	[approximately 1600 feet upstream/north from Williams Street, Rehoboth]	41.864782	-71.229186

Aesthetic Observations

Aesthetics Summary Statements for MassDEP Stations (2011-2018) (MassDEP Undated 5)

Station Code	Waterbody	Data Year	Field Sheet Count	Aesthetics Summary Statement
W2398	East Branch (Palmer River)	2013	8	MassDEP aesthetics observations for station W2398/MAP2-407 on East Branch Palmer River (MA53-08) can be summarized as follows: there were generally no noted objectionable conditions (odors, deposits, growths, or turbidity) recorded by DEP field sampling crews during summer 2013.

Observations of Filamentous/Film Algae at MassDEP Stations (2011-2018) (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

Station Code	Data Year	Field Sheet Count	Field Sheet Count w/ Film & Filamentous Algae Observations	Dense/ Very Dense Film/ Filamentous Algae
W2398	2013	8	7	0

MassDEP Aesthetics Observations (2011-2018) (MassDEP Undated 8)

Station Code	Waterbody	Data Year	Parameter	Result	Result Count	Total Field Sheet Count
W2398	East Branch (Palmer River)	2013	Color	Dark Tan	1	8
W2398	East Branch (Palmer River)	2013	Color	Light Yellow/Tan	4	8
W2398	East Branch (Palmer River)	2013	Color	None	1	8
W2398	East Branch (Palmer River)	2013	Color	Reddish	2	8
W2398	East Branch (Palmer River)	2013	Objectionable Deposits	No	8	8
W2398	East Branch (Palmer River)	2013	Odor	Fishy	1	8
W2398	East Branch (Palmer River)	2013	Odor	None	7	8
W2398	East Branch (Palmer River)	2013	Scum	No	8	8
W2398	East Branch (Palmer River)	2013	Turbidity	None	7	8
W2398	East Branch (Palmer River)	2013	Turbidity	Slightly Turbid	1	8

Primary Contact Recreation

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Not Supporting	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
<p><i>E. coli</i> bacteria samples were collected in the East Branch Palmer River at the following sampling stations (data years) from up to downstream as follows: MassDEP 5 times per year - upstream of Williams Street (W2398) (2013) and EPA 1-2 times per year – Winthrop St. (EPA_EB38), Moulton St. (EPA_EB40) & further west on Winthrop St. (EPA_EB39) (2012, 2013). Analysis of single year limited frequency MassDEP data indicated 100% of intervals had GMs >126 cfu/100ml, and two of the samples exceeded the 410 cfu/100ml STV. The seasonal GM was 588cfu/100ml. The EPA bacteria data are too limited to assess the Primary Contact Recreational Use for this AU according to the CALM “Use Attainment Impairment Decision Schema”. The Primary Contact Recreational Use for East Branch Palmer River is assessed as Not Supporting because of elevated <i>E. coli</i> bacteria which is being added as an impairment.</p>	

Monitoring Stations

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EPA_EB40	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	East Branch Palmer R	East Branch Palmer River mainstem @ Rt.118 Moulton Street, Rehoboth	41.842427	-71.242212
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Bacteria Data

Bacteria Data Collected by MassDEP and External Data Providers 2011-2020 (90-day Interval Analysis) (EPA 2020)

(MassDEP Undated 3) (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

[Result units are CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml]

Station Code	Organization	Indicator	Start Date	End Date	Sample Count	Minimum Sample Result	Maximum Sample Result	Seasonal Geometric Mean
EPA_EB38	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	48	48	48
EPA_EB38	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	100	202	142
EPA_EB39	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	16	16	16
EPA_EB39	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	39	92	60
EPA_EB40	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	4	4	4
EPA_EB40	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	148	223	182
W2398	MassDEP	E. coli	05/09/13	09/04/13	5	41	24196	588

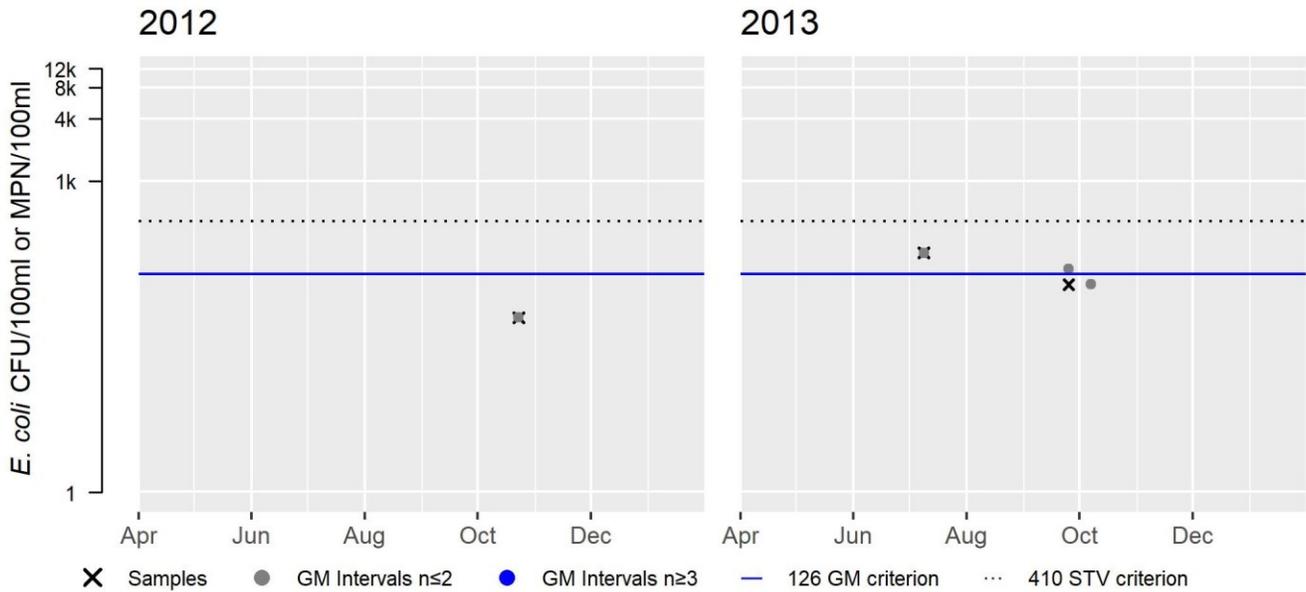
EPA_EB38 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Primary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	1
SeasGM	48
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Var	Res
Samples	2
SeasGM	142
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

Variable	Cumulative %GMI Ex (all years)
Result	0



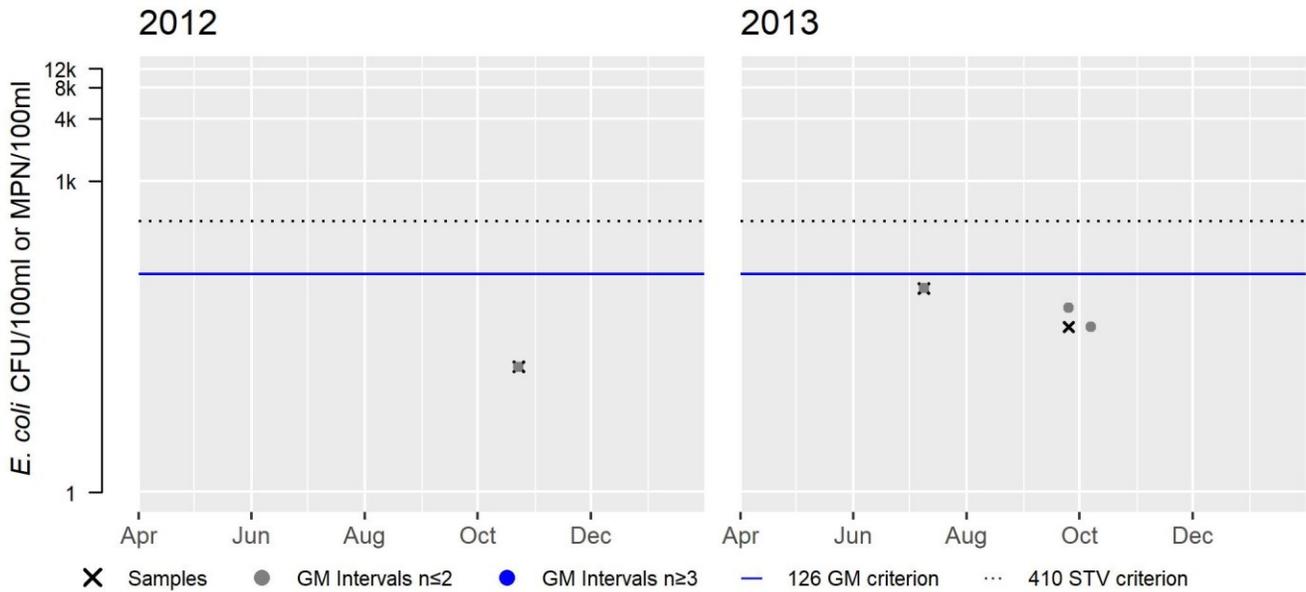
EPA_EB39 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Primary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	1
SeasGM	16
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Var	Res
Samples	2
SeasGM	60
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

Variable	Cumulative %GMI Ex (all years)
Result	0



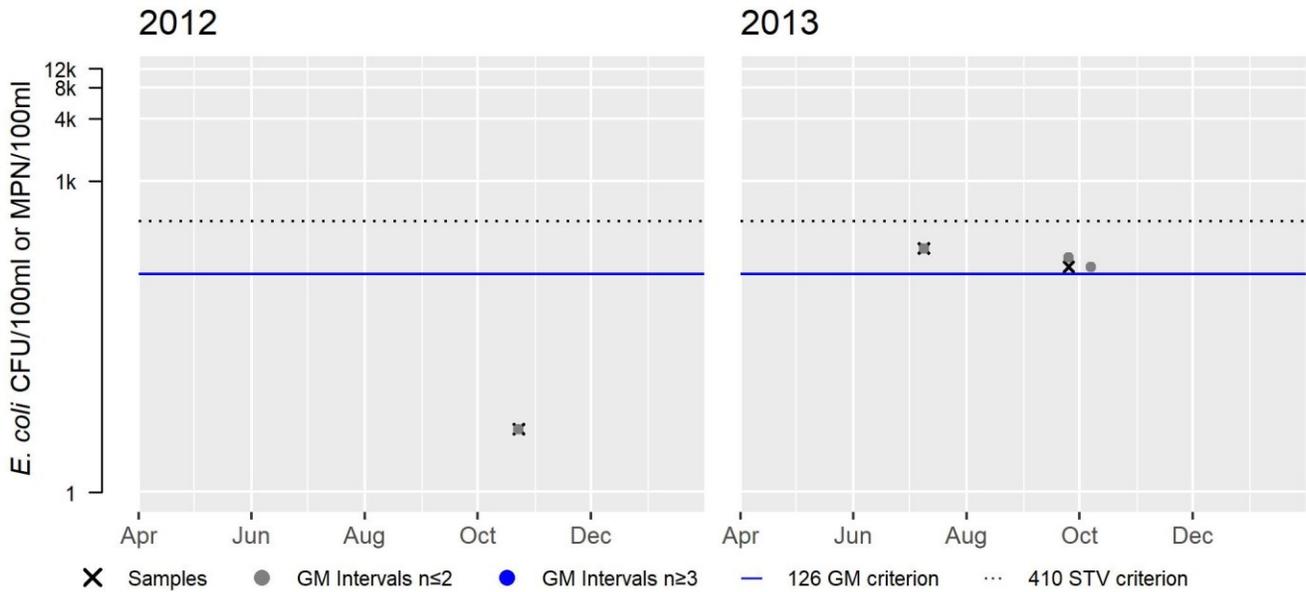
EPA_EB40 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Primary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	1
SeasGM	4
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Var	Res
Samples	2
SeasGM	182
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

Variable	Cumulative %GMI Ex (all years)
Result	0

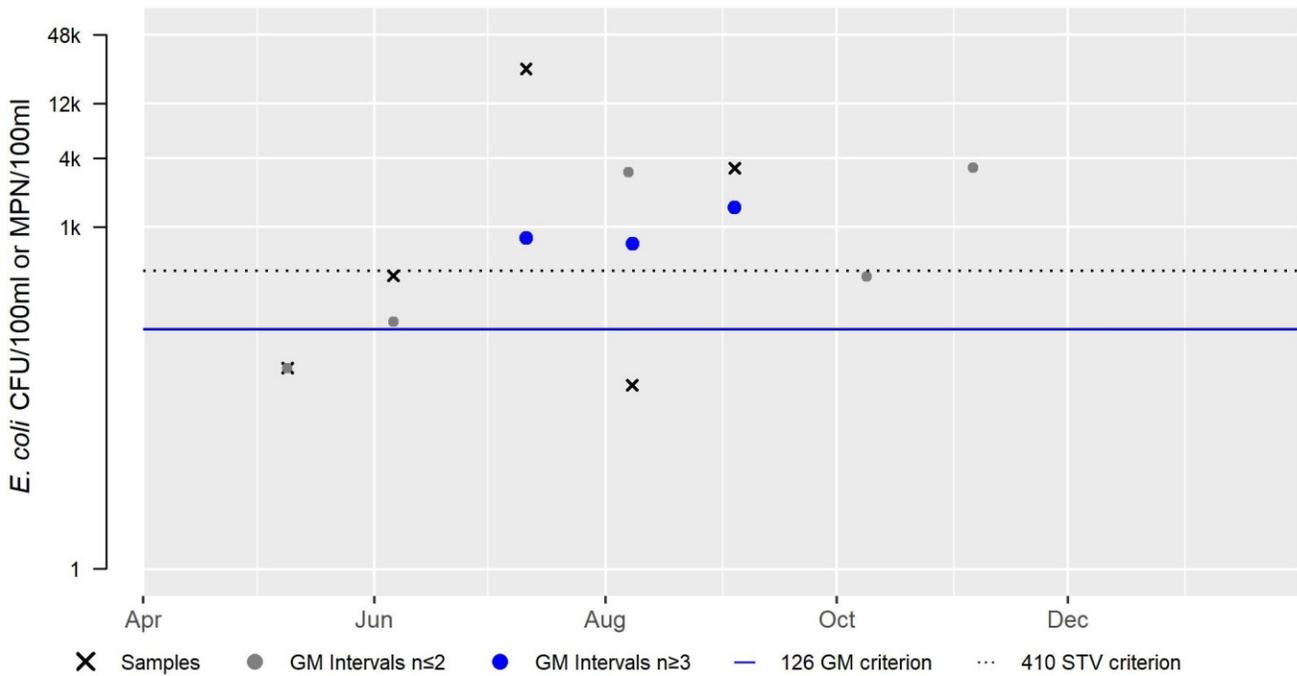


W2398 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Primary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	5
SeasGM	588
#GMI	3
#GMI Ex	3
%GMI Ex	100
n>STV	2
%n>STV	40

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

2013



Secondary Contact Recreation

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Not Supporting	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
<p><i>E. coli</i> bacteria samples were collected in the East Branch Palmer River at the following sampling stations (data years) from up to downstream as follows: MassDEP 5 times per year - upstream of Williams Street (W2398) (2013) and EPA 1-2 times per year – Winthrop St. (EPA_EB38), Moulton St. (EPA_EB40) & further west on Winthrop St. (EPA_EB39) (2012, 2013). Analysis of single year limited frequency MassDEP data indicated 100% of intervals had GMs >630 cfu/100ml, and two of the samples exceeded the 1260 cfu/100ml STV. The seasonal GM was 588cfu/100ml. The EPA bacteria data are too limited to assess the Secondary Contact Recreational Use for this AU according to the CALM “Use Attainment Impairment Decision Schema”. The Secondary Contact Recreational Use for East Branch Palmer River is assessed as Not Supporting because of elevated <i>E. coli</i> bacteria which is being added as an impairment.</p>	

Monitoring Stations

Station Code	Organization	Type	Water Body	Station Description	Latitude	Longitude
EPA_EB38	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	East Branch Palmer R	East Branch Palmer River mainstem @ Rt.44, Rehoboth	41.859784	-71.229204
EPA_EB39	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	East Branch Palmer R	East Branch Palmer River mainstem @ Rt.44, Rehoboth	41.846528	-71.253522
EPA_EB40	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	East Branch Palmer R	East Branch Palmer River mainstem @ Rt.118 Moulton Street, Rehoboth	41.842427	-71.242212
W2398	MassDEP	Water Quality	East Branch (Palmer River)	[approximately 1600 feet upstream/north from Williams Street, Rehoboth]	41.864782	-71.229186

Bacteria Data

Bacteria Data Collected by MassDEP and External Data Providers 2011-2020 (90-day Interval Analysis) (EPA 2020)
 (MassDEP Undated 3) (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

[Result units are CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml]

Station Code	Organization	Indicator	Start Date	End Date	Sample Count	Minimum Sample Result (CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml)	Maximum Sample Result (CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml)	Seasonal Geometric Mean (CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml)
EPA_EB38	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	48	48	48
EPA_EB38	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	100	202	142
EPA_EB39	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	16	16	16
EPA_EB39	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	39	92	60
EPA_EB40	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	4	4	4
EPA_EB40	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	148	223	182
W2398	MassDEP	E. coli	05/09/13	09/04/13	5	41	24196	588

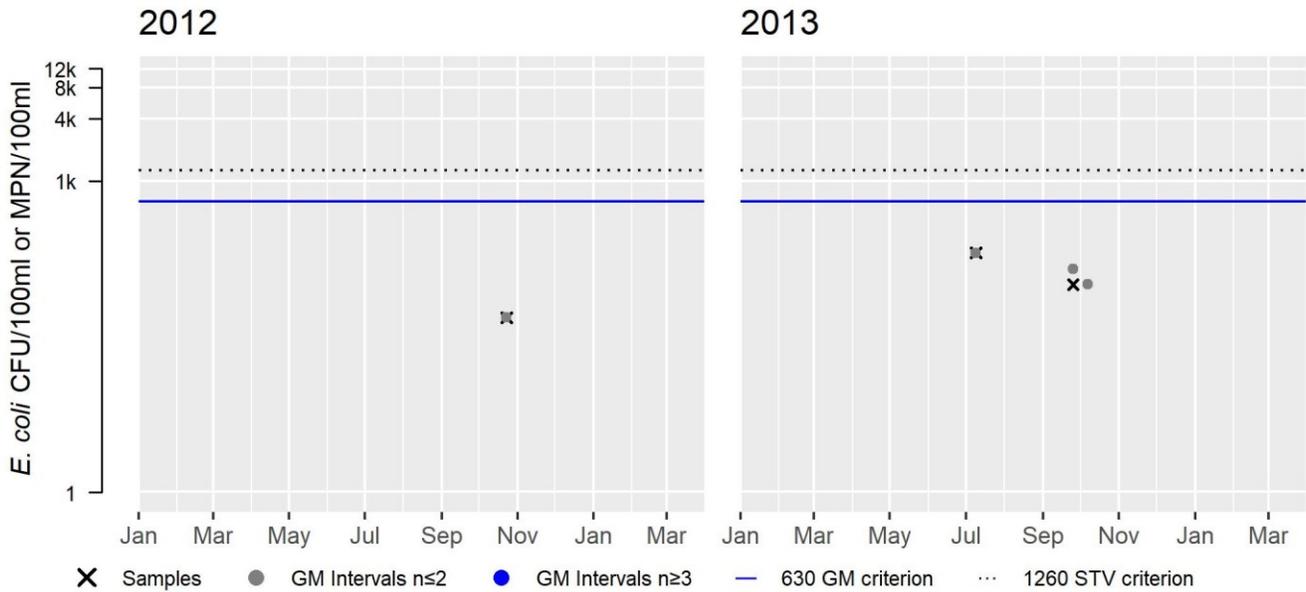
EPA_EB38 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Secondary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	1
SeasGM	48
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Var	Res
Samples	2
SeasGM	142
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

Variable	Cumulative %GMI Ex (all years)
Result	0



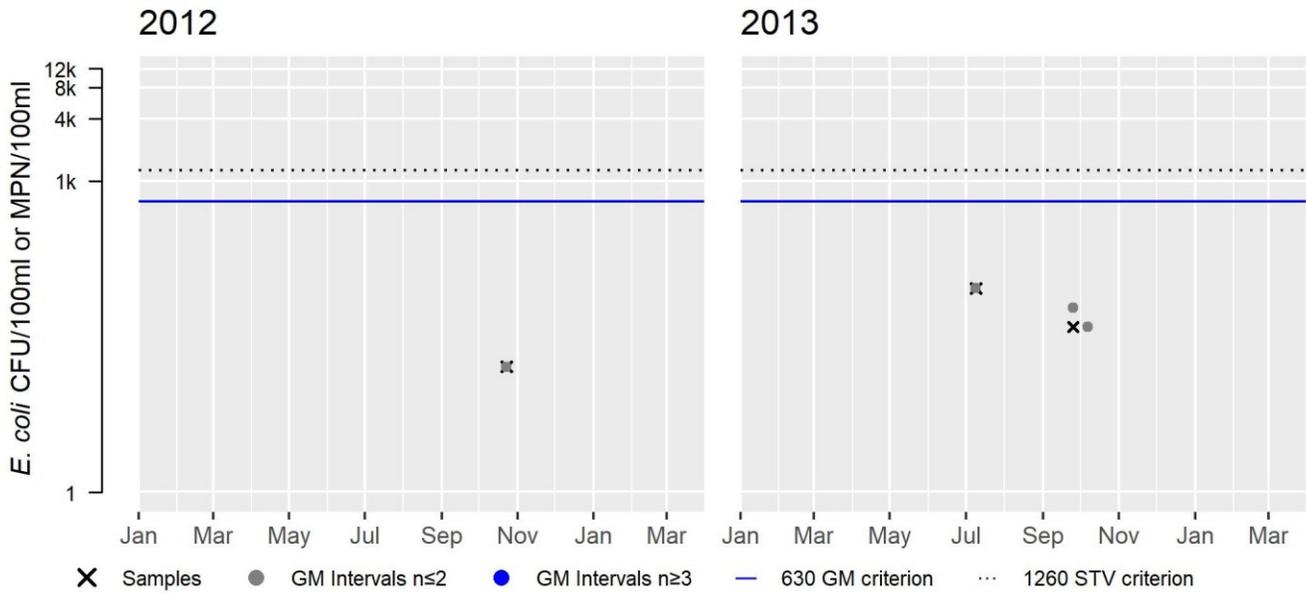
EPA_EB39 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Secondary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	1
SeasGM	16
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Var	Res
Samples	2
SeasGM	60
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

Variable	Cumulative %GMI Ex (all years)
Result	0



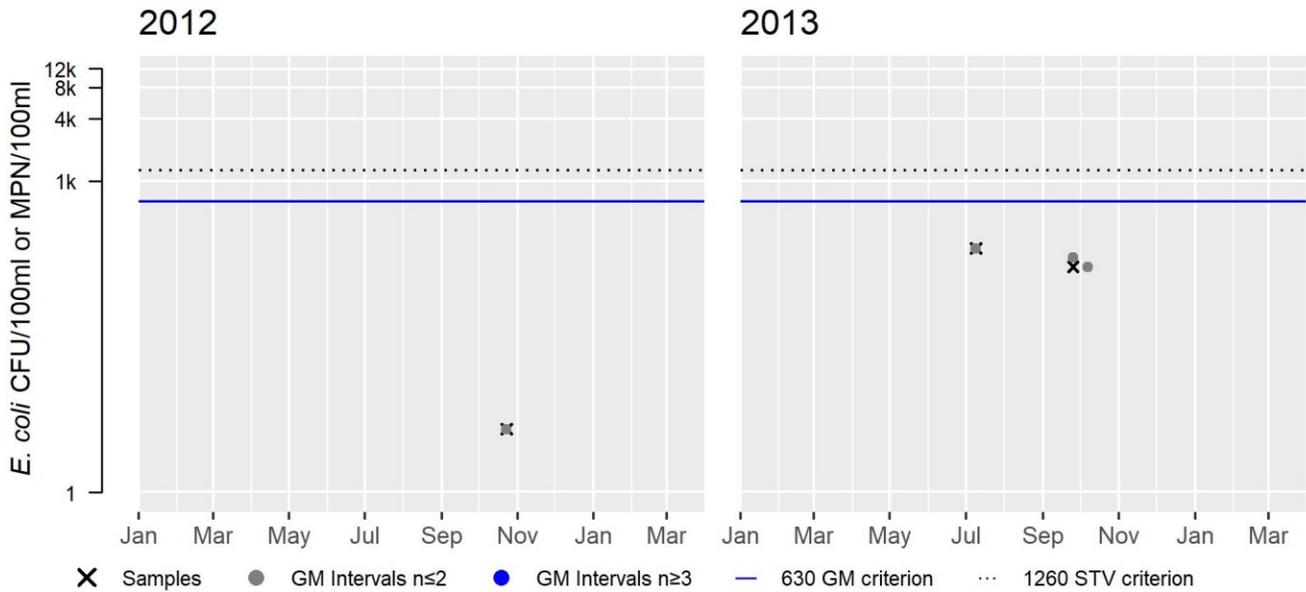
EPA_EB40 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Secondary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	1
SeasGM	4
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Var	Res
Samples	2
SeasGM	182
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

Variable	Cumulative %GMI Ex (all years)
Result	0

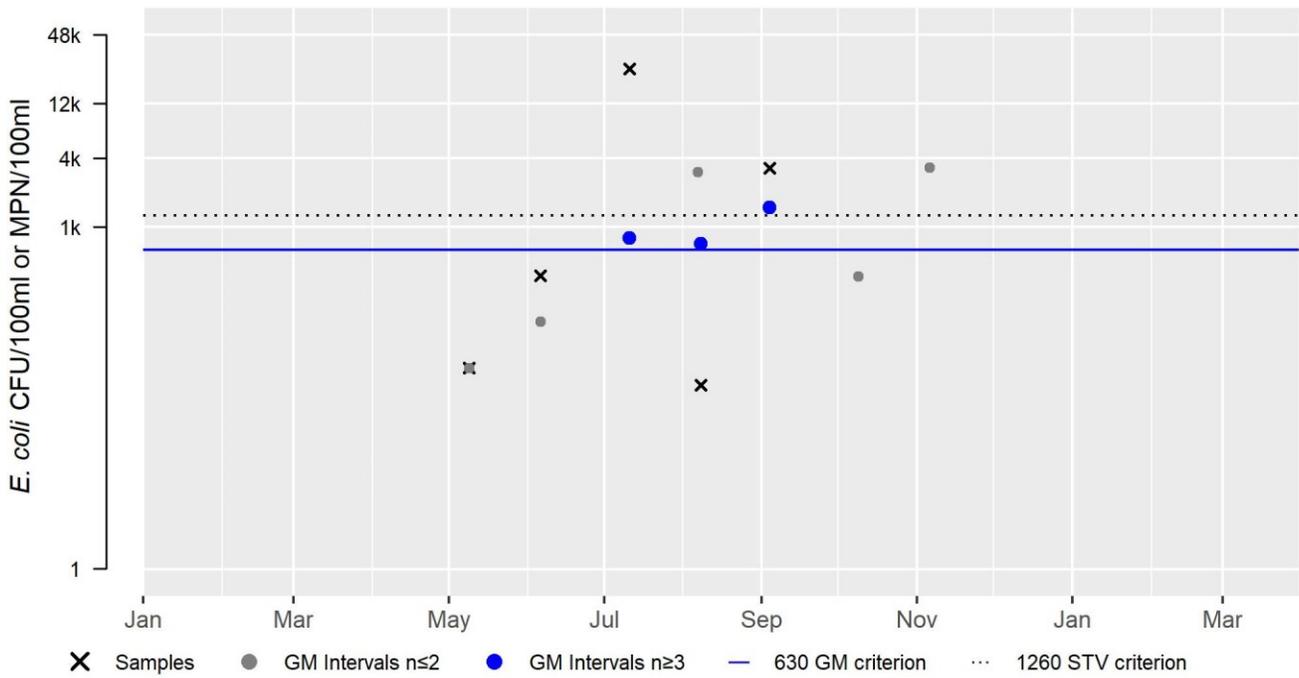


W2398 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Secondary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	5
SeasGM	588
#GMI	3
#GMI Ex	3
%GMI Ex	100
n>STV	2
%n>STV	40

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

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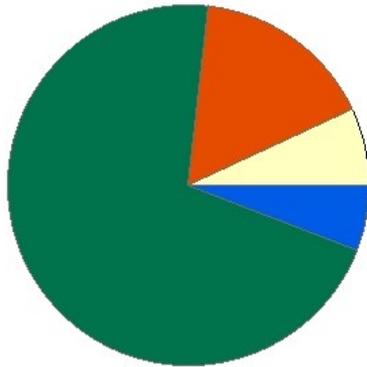


Fullers Brook (MA53-12)

Location:	Headwaters in wetland north of Jacobs Street, Seekonk to confluence with Palmer River, Rehoboth.
AU Type:	RIVER
AU Size:	1.7 MILES
Classification/Qualifier:	B

Fullers Brook - MA53-12

Watershed Area: 1.89 square miles



Percent Agriculture
 Percent Natural
 Percent Developed
 Percent Wetland

Landuse Type	Entire Basin	5km Radius Proximal Subbasin	100m Stream Buffer	Proximal Stream Buffer
Land Use Area (square miles)	1.89	1.89	0.5	0.5
Agriculture	6.9%	6.9%	3.8%	3.8%
Developed	16.4%	16.4%	10.7%	10.7%
Natural	70.8%	70.8%	74.9%	74.9%
Wetland	5.9%	5.9%	10.5%	10.5%
Impervious Cover	6.7%			

2018/20 AU Category	2022 AU Category	Impairment	ATTAINS Action ID	Impairment Change Summary
4a	4a	Escherichia Coli (E. Coli)	35089	Unchanged

Impairment	Source (Confirmed Y/N)	Fish, other Aquatic Life and Wildlife	Fish Consumption	Aesthetic	Primary Contact Recreation	Secondary Contact Recreation
Escherichia Coli (E. Coli)	Agriculture (Y)				X	X
Escherichia Coli (E. Coli)	Discharges from Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4) (N)				X	X
Escherichia Coli (E. Coli)	Waterfowl (N)				X	X

Recommendations

2022 Recommendations
ALU: Due to very low pH and DO measurements noted at Jacob Street in 2012 & 2013, additional water quality monitoring should be conducted in Fullers Brook to clarify if these measurements are a result of natural conditions.

Designated Use Attainment Decisions

Fish, other Aquatic Life and Wildlife

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Fully Supporting	YES
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
<p>EPA conducted discrete water quality monitoring throughout the Fullers Brook AU in Rehoboth, at Jacob St. (EPA_FB19), Winthrop St. Rt.44 (EPA_FB17) and Trim St (EPA_FB20), during the summer of 2012 and 2013. Most of the data was indicative of good water quality conditions (a summary incorporating data from all stations follows): pH ranged from 5.4-7.3SU (n=6) (with 2 out of 6 measurements (both at EPA_FB19) falling below 6.5SU and also below 6.0SU); maximum temperature 23.3°C (n=2); minimum DO 3.0mg/L (n=6), with 2 out of 6 measurements (both at EPA_FB19) falling below 5.0mg/L; the maximum DO saturation was 89.8% (n=6) and specific conductance was all low with a max of 435µS/cm (n=6). The low pH and DO measurements at the upper end of the AU (at Jacob St.) are judged likely to be a natural condition due to the large amount of wetland (wooded swamp) in the headwaters of the watershed in proximity to Jacob St., as depicted by the MassGIS detailed wetland layer. Although the natural condition determinations (percentage land cover of natural land and wetland) are not quite met for the whole watershed, what is present is proportionally weighted towards the headwaters and thus likely to have a greater impact on the Jacob St. sample station (EPA_FB19). The Aquatic Life Use of Fullers Brook (MA53-12) will continue to be assessed as Fully Supporting based on the EPA water quality data. Alerts are being identified for low DO and pH at the most upstream sampling site (Jacob St.).</p>	

Monitoring Stations

Station Code	Organization	Type	Water Body	Station Description	Latitude	Longitude
W1956	MassDEP	Water Quality	Fullers Brook	[Winthrop Street (Route 44), Rehoboth]	41.835046	-71.288982
W2472	MassDEP	Water Quality	Fullers Brook	[Blanding Road, Rehoboth]	41.836801	-71.293374

Station Code	Organization	Type	Water Body	Station Description	Latitude	Longitude
EPA_FB17	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Fullers Brook	Fullers Brook @ Rt.44, Rehoboth	41.835098	-71.288745
EPA_FB19	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Fullers Brook	Fullers Brook @ Jacob Street, Rehoboth	41.838243	-71.298625
EPA_FB20	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Fullers Brook	Fullers Brook @ Trim Street, Rehoboth	41.833301	-71.281618

Physico-chemical Water Quality Information

DO, pH, Temperature

EPA Freshwater Discrete Dissolved Oxygen Data (2012-2013). (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)

[CW= Coldwater, WW= Warmwater]

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	DO Count	DO Min (mg/L)	DO Avg (mg/L)	Count CW <5.0	Count WW Early Life Stages <5.0	Count WW Other Life Stages <4.0
EPA_FB17	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	9.4	9.4	0	0	0
EPA_FB19	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	3.0	3.0	1	1	1
EPA_FB19	07/09/13	07/09/13	1	3.4	3.4	1	1	1
EPA_FB20	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	10.0	10.0	0	0	0
EPA_FB20	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	7.9	8.8	0	0	0

EPA Freshwater Discrete Temperature Data (2012, 2013 & 2016-2019). (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)

[Summer Index is June 1 – Sept 15; CW= Coldwater, WW= Warmwater]

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	Temp Count	Index Count	Temp Max (°C)	Temp Avg (°C)	Count CW >20	Count CW >22	Count WW >28.3	Count WW >30.3
EPA_FB17	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	0	10.2	10.2	0	0	0	0
EPA_FB19	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	0	11.1	11.1	0	0	0	0
EPA_FB19	07/09/13	07/09/13	1	1	23.3	23.3	1	1	0	0
EPA_FB20	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	0	10.5	10.5	0	0	0	0
EPA_FB20	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	1	18.3	14.4	0	0	0	0

EPA Discrete pH Data (2012-2013). (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	pH Count	pH Min (SU)	pH Max (SU)	pH Count <6.5 or >8.3	pH Count <6.0 or >8.8
EPA_FB17	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	6.5	6.5	0	0
EPA_FB19	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	5.4	5.4	1	1
EPA_FB19	07/09/13	07/09/13	1	5.4	5.4	1	1
EPA_FB20	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	6.5	6.5	0	0
EPA_FB20	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	6.3	7.3	1	0

Nutrients (Primary Producer Screening, Physico-chemical Screening)

MassDEP Nutrient Enrichment Indicator Data (2011-2018). (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

[Summer seasonal total phosphorus data collected May-Sept]

Station Code	Data Year	Seasonal TP Count	Seasonal TP Min (mg/L)	Seasonal TP Max (mg/L)	Seasonal TP Avg (mg/L)	Delta DO Max (mg/L)	Delta DO Avg (mg/L)	DO Sat Max (%)	pH Max (SU)	Count Algal Obsv.	Dense/V. Dense Film/Fila. Algae
W1956	2014	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	1	0
W2472	2014	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	2	0
W2472	2015	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	1	0

EPA Freshwater Nutrient Enrichment Indicator Data (2012, 2013 & 2016-2019). (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)

[Summer seasonal total phosphorus data collected May-Sept]

Station Code	Data Year	Seasonal TP Count	Seasonal TP Min (mg/L)	Seasonal TP Max (mg/L)	Seasonal TP Avg (mg/L)	DO Sat Max (%)	pH Max (SU)
EPA_FB17	2012	--	--	--	--	85.6	6.5
EPA_FB19	2012	--	--	--	--	27.5	5.4
EPA_FB19	2013	--	--	--	--	39.3	5.4
EPA_FB20	2012	--	--	--	--	89.9	6.5
EPA_FB20	2013	--	--	--	--	89.1	7.3

Toxics and other pollutants (metals, ammonia, chloride, chlorine)

EPA Discrete Specific Conductance Data (2012-2013, 2016-2019) Compared to Estimated Chloride Criteria. (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	SpCond Count	SpCond Min (µs/cm)	SpCond Max (µs/cm)	Count SpCond >904	Count SpCond >994	Count SpCond >3193	Count SpCond >3512	Consecutive sets >904	Consecutive sets >994
EPA_FB17	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	231	231	0	0	0	0	0	0
EPA_FB19	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	99	99	0	0	0	0	0	0
EPA_FB19	07/09/13	07/09/13	1	69	69	0	0	0	0	0	0
EPA_FB20	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	312	312	0	0	0	0	0	0
EPA_FB20	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	367	435	0	0	0	0	0	0

Fish Consumption

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Not Assessed	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
No site-specific fish consumption advisory has been issued by DPH, therefore the Fish Consumption Use for Fullers Brook (MA53-12), is Not Assessed.	

Aesthetic

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Fully Supporting	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
MassDEP staff recorded observations related to aesthetics at two sites (data years) in Fullers Brook as follows: Blanding Road (W2472) (2014 & 2015) and Winthrop Street (Route 44) (W1956) (2014 & 2015) in Rehoboth. There were generally no noted objectionable conditions (odors, deposits, growths, or turbidity) recorded by DEP field sampling crew at either site. The Aesthetics Use for Fullers Brook will continue to be assessed as Fully Supporting.	

Monitoring Stations

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W1956	MassDEP	Water Quality	Fullers Brook	[Winthrop Street (Route 44), Rehoboth]	41.835046	-71.288982
W2472	MassDEP	Water Quality	Fullers Brook	[Blanding Road, Rehoboth]	41.836801	-71.293374

*Aesthetic Observations***Aesthetics Summary Statements for MassDEP Stations (2011-2018)** (MassDEP Undated 5)

Station Code	Waterbody	Data Year	Field Sheet Count	Aesthetics Summary Statement
W1956	Fullers Brook	2014	2	MassDEP aesthetics observations for station W1956 on Fullers Brook can be summarized as follows: there were generally no noted objectionable conditions (odors, deposits, growths, or turbidity) recorded by DEP field sampling crews during summer 2014. However, there is insufficient information to assess the Aesthetics Use since data were limited (n=2).
W1956	Fullers Brook	2015	1	MassDEP aesthetics observations for station W1956 on Fullers Brook can be summarized as follows: there were generally no noted objectionable conditions (odors, deposits, growths, or turbidity) recorded by DEP field sampling crews during summer 2015. However, there is insufficient information to assess the Aesthetics Use since data were limited (n=1).
W2472	Fullers Brook	2014	2	MassDEP aesthetics observations for station W2472 on Fullers Brook can be summarized as follows: there were generally no noted objectionable conditions (odors, deposits, growths, or turbidity) recorded by DEP field sampling crews during summer 2014. However, there is insufficient information to assess the Aesthetics Use since data were limited (n=2).
W2472	Fullers Brook	2015	1	MassDEP aesthetics observations for station W2472 on Fullers Brook can be summarized as follows: there were generally no noted objectionable conditions (odors, deposits, growths, or turbidity) recorded by DEP field sampling crews during summer 2015. However, there is insufficient information to assess the Aesthetics Use since data were limited (n=1).

Observations of Filamentous/Film Algae at MassDEP Stations (2011-2018) (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

Station Code	Data Year	Field Sheet Count	Field Sheet Count w/ Film & Filamentous Algae Observations	Dense/ Very Dense Film/ Filamentous Algae
W1956	2014	2	1	0
W1956	2015	1	0	0
W2472	2014	2	2	0
W2472	2015	1	1	0

MassDEP Aesthetics Observations (2011-2018) (MassDEP Undated 8)

Station Code	Waterbody	Data Year	Parameter	Result	Result Count	Total Field Sheet Count
W1956	Fullers Brook	2014	Color	None	2	2
W1956	Fullers Brook	2014	Objectionable Deposits	Not Applicable (N/A)	2	2
W1956	Fullers Brook	2014	Odor	None	2	2
W1956	Fullers Brook	2014	Scum	Not Applicable (N/A)	2	2
W1956	Fullers Brook	2014	Turbidity	Highly Turbid	1	2
W1956	Fullers Brook	2014	Turbidity	Moderately Turbid	1	2
W1956	Fullers Brook	2015	Color	Light Yellow/Tan	1	1
W1956	Fullers Brook	2015	Objectionable Deposits	Not Applicable (N/A)	1	1

Station Code	Waterbody	Data Year	Parameter	Result	Result Count	Total Field Sheet Count
W1956	Fullers Brook	2015	Odor	None	1	1
W1956	Fullers Brook	2015	Scum	Not Applicable (N/A)	1	1
W1956	Fullers Brook	2015	Turbidity	Slightly Turbid	1	1
W2472	Fullers Brook	2014	Color	Light Yellow/Tan	1	2
W2472	Fullers Brook	2014	Color	None	1	2
W2472	Fullers Brook	2014	Objectionable Deposits	Not Applicable (N/A)	2	2
W2472	Fullers Brook	2014	Odor	Musty (Basement)	1	2
W2472	Fullers Brook	2014	Odor	None	1	2
W2472	Fullers Brook	2014	Scum	Not Applicable (N/A)	2	2
W2472	Fullers Brook	2014	Turbidity	Slightly Turbid	2	2
W2472	Fullers Brook	2015	Color	Light Yellow/Tan	1	1
W2472	Fullers Brook	2015	Objectionable Deposits	Not Applicable (N/A)	1	1
W2472	Fullers Brook	2015	Odor	None	1	1
W2472	Fullers Brook	2015	Scum	Not Applicable (N/A)	1	1
W2472	Fullers Brook	2015	Turbidity	Slightly Turbid	1	1

Primary Contact Recreation

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Not Supporting	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
<p><i>E. coli</i> bacteria data were collected throughout Fullers Brook at the following sampling stations (data years): MassDEP 1-2 times per year - Blanding Road (W2472) (2014 & 2015) and Winthrop Street (Route 44) (W1956) (2014 & 2015) in Rehoboth and EPA 1-2 times per year – at Jacob St. (EPA_FB19), Winthrop St. Rt.44 (EPA_FB17) and Trim St (EPA_FB20) (2012 & 2013). These most recent data are too limited to assess the Primary Contact Recreational Use for Fullers Brook according to the CALM “Use Attainment Impairment Decision Schema”; consequently, the Primary Contact Recreational Use will continue to be assessed as Not Supporting with the <i>E. coli</i> impairment being carried forward.</p>	

Monitoring Stations

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(MassDEP Undated 3) (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

[Result units are CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml]

Station Code	Organization	Indicator	Start Date	End Date	Sample Count	Minimum Sample Result	Maximum Sample Result	Seasonal Geometric Mean
EPA_FB17	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	64	64	64
EPA_FB17	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	606	1844	1057
EPA_FB19	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	8	8	8
EPA_FB19	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	07/09/13	07/09/13	1	20	20	20
EPA_FB20	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	34	34	34
EPA_FB20	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	236	255	245
W1956	MassDEP	E. coli	06/24/14	07/15/14	2	687	727	707
W1956	MassDEP	E. coli	05/14/15	05/14/15	1	52	52	52
W2472	MassDEP	E. coli	06/24/14	07/15/14	2	548	921	710
W2472	MassDEP	E. coli	05/14/15	05/14/15	1	5	5	5

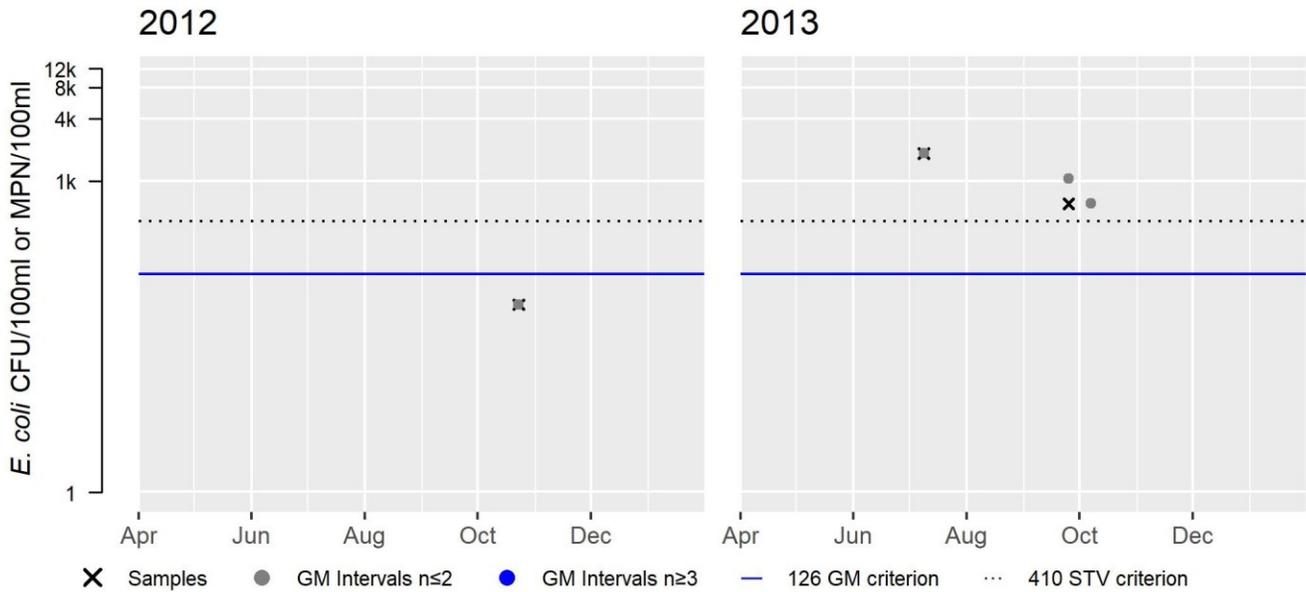
EPA_FB17 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Primary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	1
SeasGM	64
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Var	Res
Samples	2
SeasGM	1057
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	2
%n>STV	100

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

Variable	Cumulative %GMI Ex (all years)
Result	0



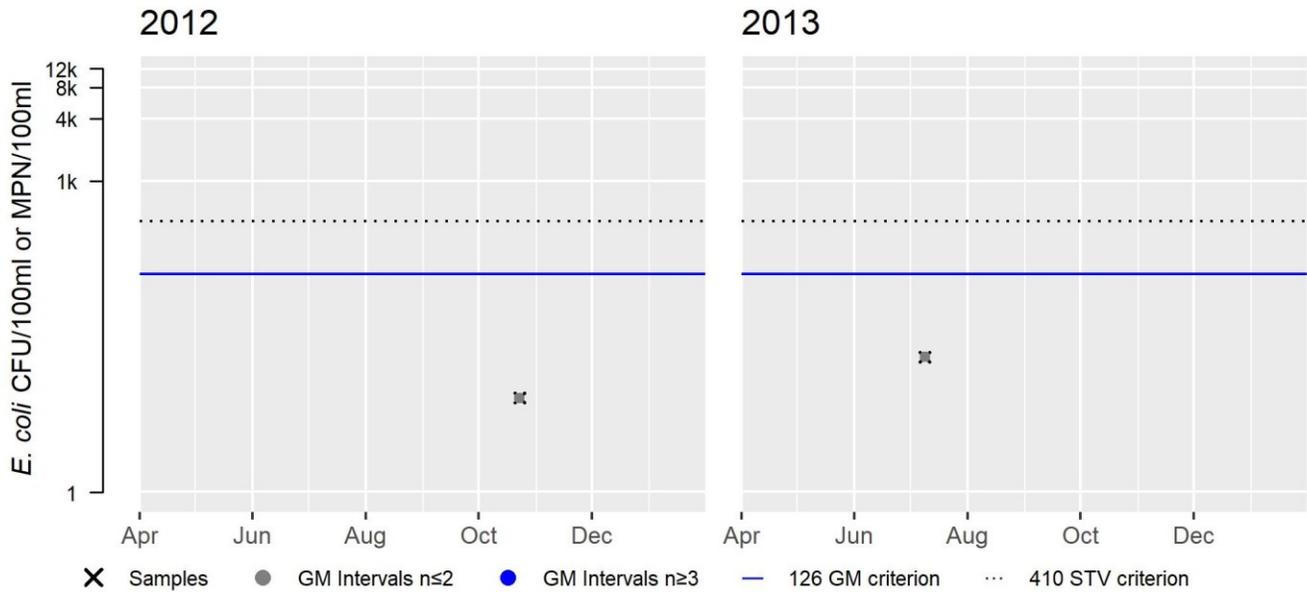
EPA_FB19 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Primary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	1
SeasGM	8
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Var	Res
Samples	1
SeasGM	20
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

Variable	Cumulative %GMI Ex (all years)
Result	0



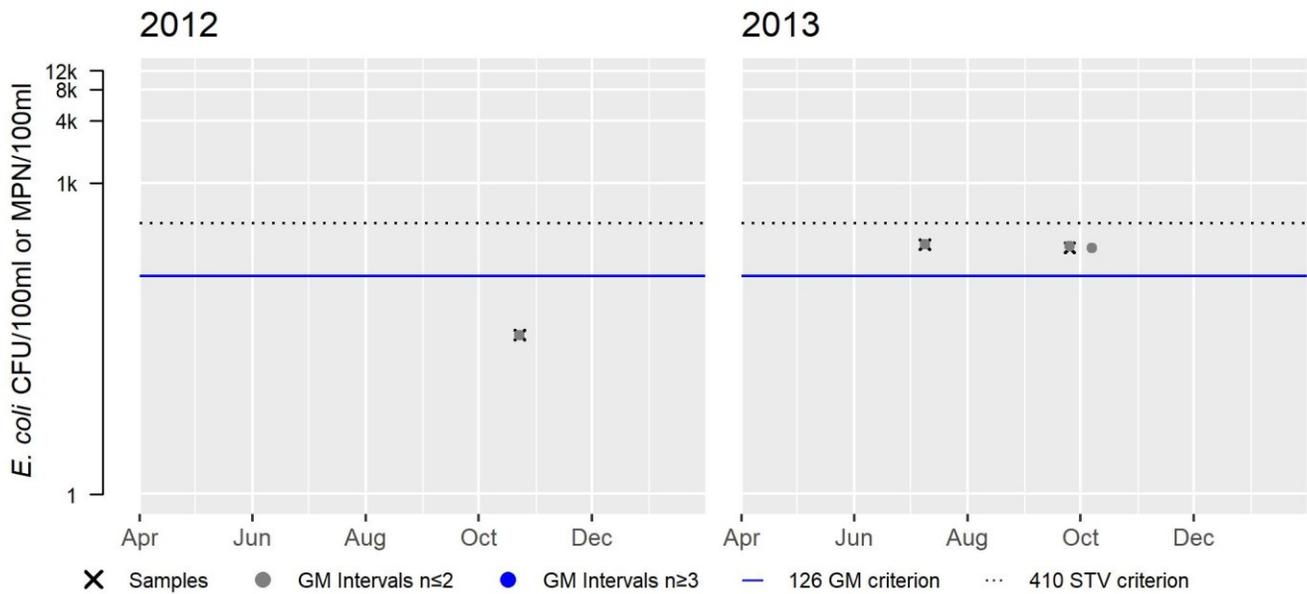
EPA_FB20 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Primary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	1
SeasGM	34
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Var	Res
Samples	2
SeasGM	245
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

Variable	Cumulative %GMI Ex (all years)
Result	0



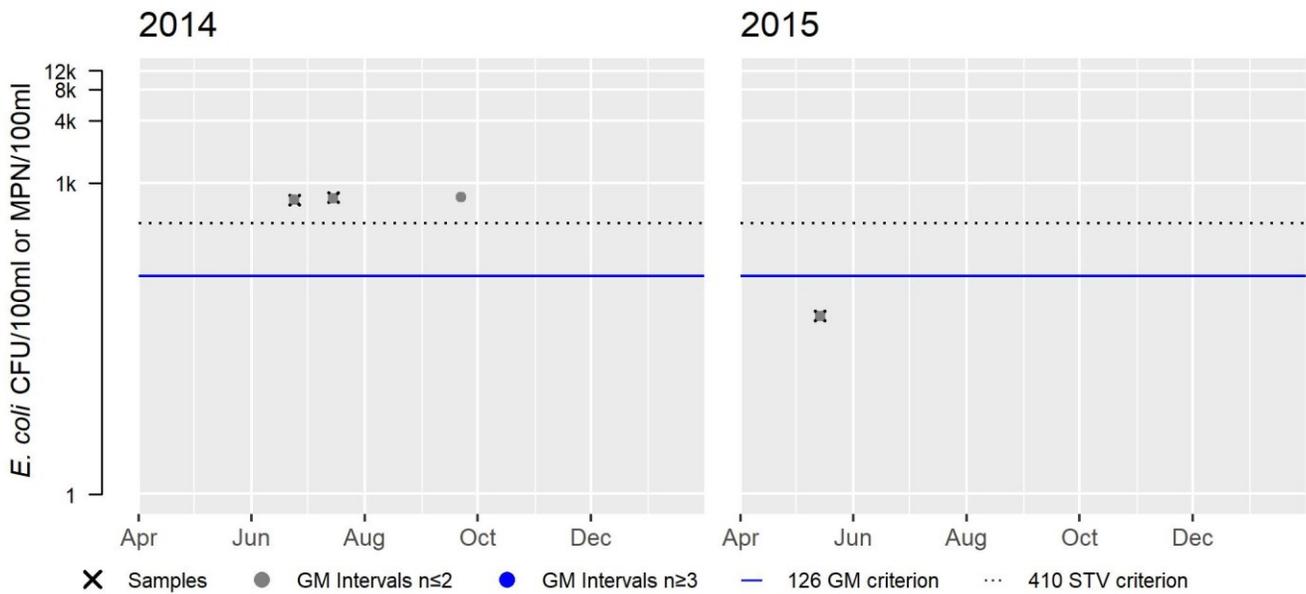
W1956 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Primary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	2
SeasGM	707
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	2
%n>STV	100

Var	Res
Samples	1
SeasGM	52
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
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Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

Variable	Cumulative %GMI Ex (all years)
Result	0



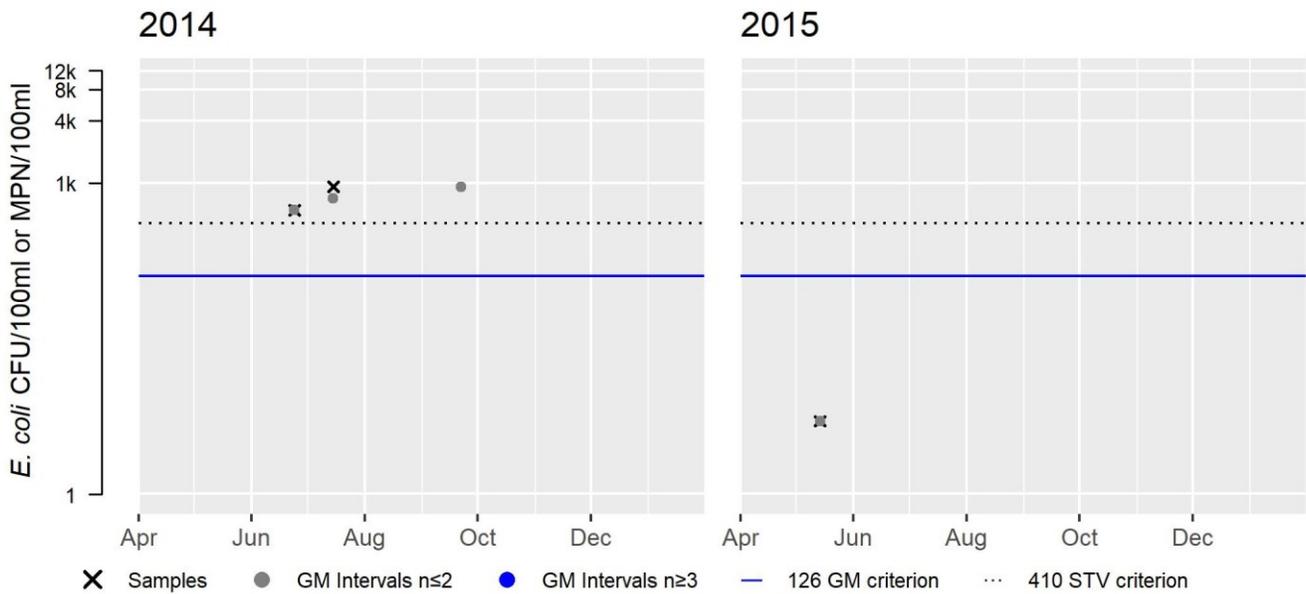
W2472 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Primary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	2
SeasGM	710
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	2
%n>STV	100

Var	Res
Samples	1
SeasGM	5
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

Variable	Cumulative %GMI Ex (all years)
Result	0



MassDEP Bacteria Source Tracking (BST) Summary Statement for 2011-2019 (MassDEP Undated 1)

Summary
BST work was conducted between 2014 and 2015 at 2 sites along the Fullers Brook AU (MA53-12) and an additional unnamed tributary site; with <i>E. coli</i> counts ranging from 5 to 1,300MPN. It was concluded that there is no evidence of human sources in the Fullers Brook watershed.

Secondary Contact Recreation

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Not Supporting	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	

E. coli bacteria data were collected throughout Fullers Brook at the following sampling stations (data years): MassDEP 1-2 times per year - Blanding Road (W2472) (2014 & 2015) and Winthrop Street (Route 44) (W1956) (2014 & 2015) in Rehoboth and EPA 1-2 times per year – at Jacob St. (EPA_FB19), Winthrop St. Rt.44 (EPA_FB17) and Trim St (EPA_FB20) (2012 & 2013). These most recent data are too limited to assess the Secondary Contact Recreational Use for Fullers Brook according to the CALM “Use Attainment Impairment Decision Schema”; consequently, the Secondary Contact Recreational Use will continue to be assessed as Not Supporting with the *E. coli* impairment being carried forward.

Monitoring Stations

Station Code	Organization	Type	Water Body	Station Description	Latitude	Longitude
EPA_FB17	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Fullers Brook	Fullers Brook @ Rt.44, Rehoboth	41.835098	-71.288745
EPA_FB19	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Fullers Brook	Fullers Brook @ Jacob Street, Rehoboth	41.838243	-71.298625
EPA_FB20	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Fullers Brook	Fullers Brook @ Trim Street, Rehoboth	41.833301	-71.281618
W1956	MassDEP	Water Quality	Fullers Brook	[Winthrop Street (Route 44), Rehoboth]	41.835046	-71.288982
W2472	MassDEP	Water Quality	Fullers Brook	[Blanding Road, Rehoboth]	41.836801	-71.293374

Bacteria Data

Bacteria Data Collected by MassDEP and External Data Providers 2011-2020 (90-day Interval Analysis) (EPA 2020)

(MassDEP Undated 3) (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

[Result units are CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml]

Station Code	Organization	Indicator	Start Date	End Date	Sample Count	Minimum Sample Result (CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml)	Maximum Sample Result (CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml)	Seasonal Geometric Mean (CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml)
EPA_FB17	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	64	64	64
EPA_FB17	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	606	1844	1057
EPA_FB19	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	8	8	8
EPA_FB19	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	07/09/13	07/09/13	1	20	20	20
EPA_FB20	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	34	34	34
EPA_FB20	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	236	255	245
W1956	MassDEP	E. coli	06/24/14	07/15/14	2	687	727	707
W1956	MassDEP	E. coli	05/14/15	05/14/15	1	52	52	52
W2472	MassDEP	E. coli	06/24/14	07/15/14	2	548	921	710
W2472	MassDEP	E. coli	05/14/15	05/14/15	1	5	5	5

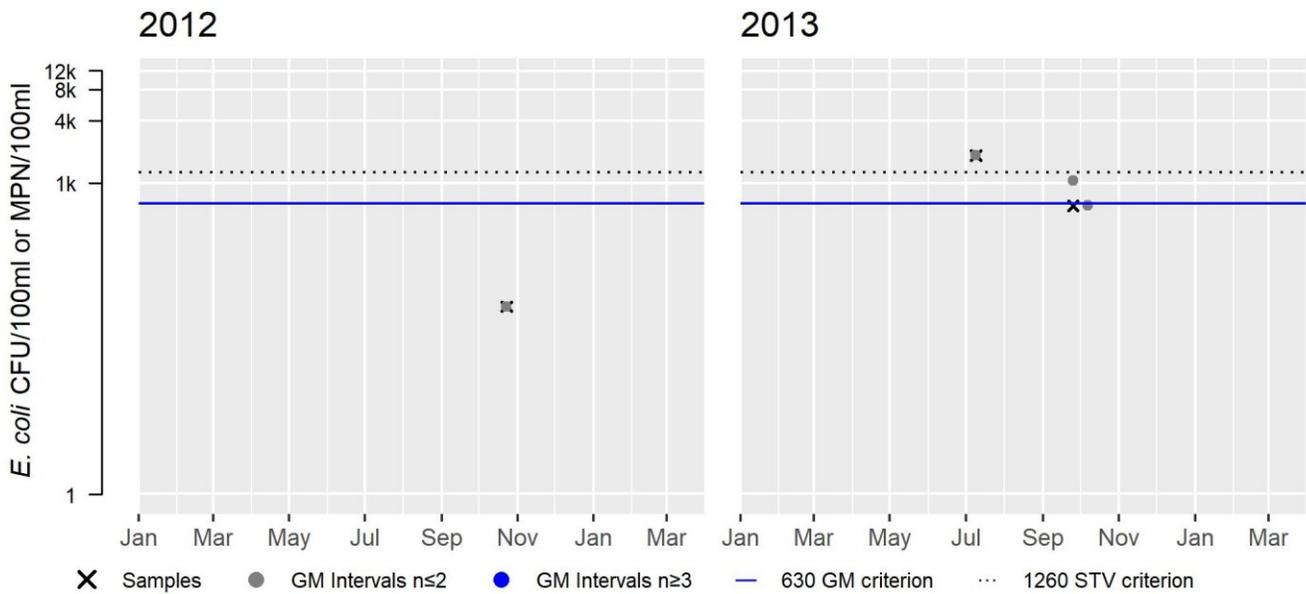
EPA_FB17 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Secondary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	1
SeasGM	64
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Var	Res
Samples	2
SeasGM	1057
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	1
%n>STV	50

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

Variable	Cumulative %GMI Ex (all years)
Result	0



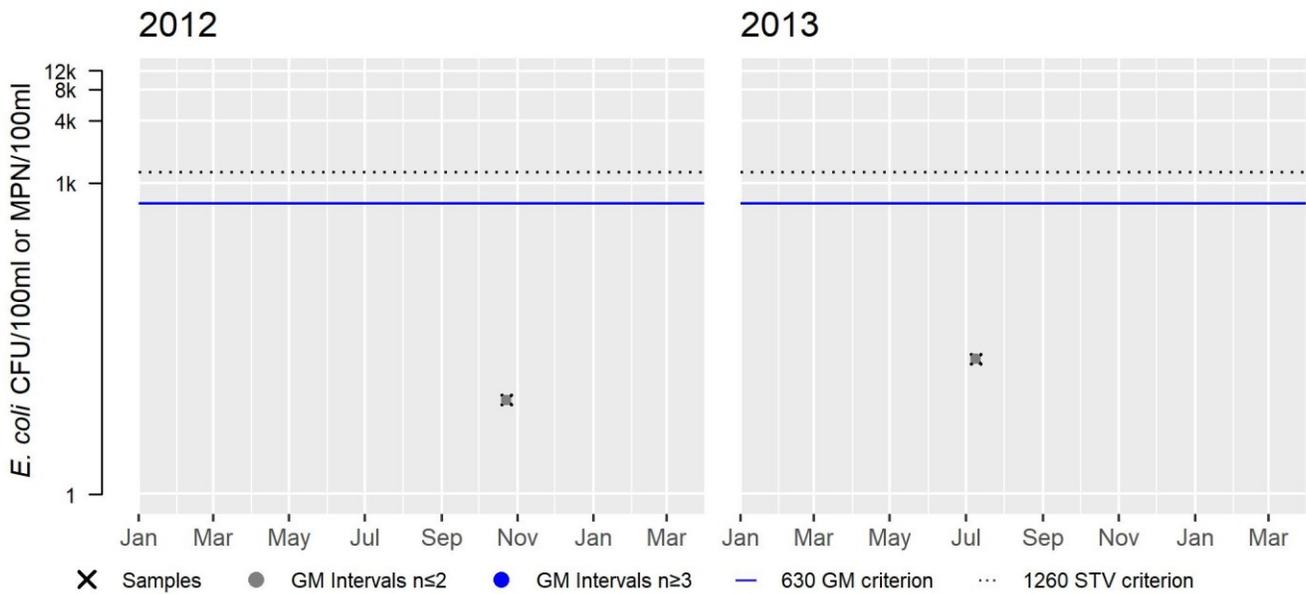
EPA_FB19 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Secondary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	1
SeasGM	8
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Var	Res
Samples	1
SeasGM	20
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

Variable	Cumulative %GMI Ex (all years)
Result	0



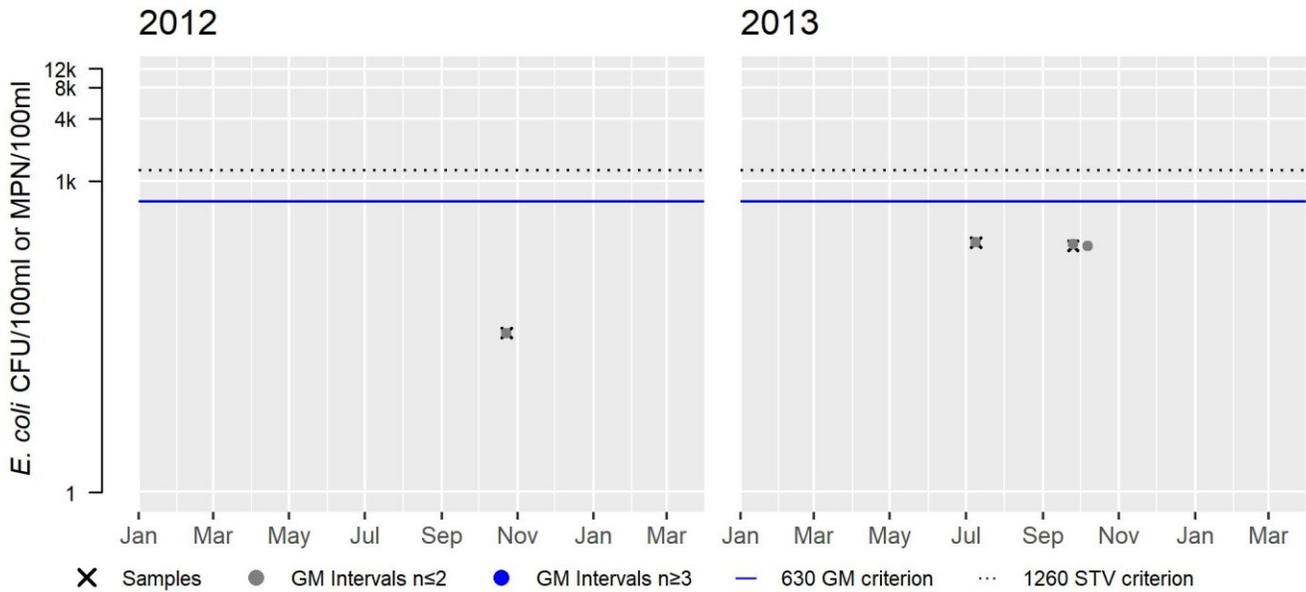
EPA_FB20 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Secondary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	1
SeasGM	34
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Var	Res
Samples	2
SeasGM	245
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

Variable	Cumulative %GMI Ex (all years)
Result	0



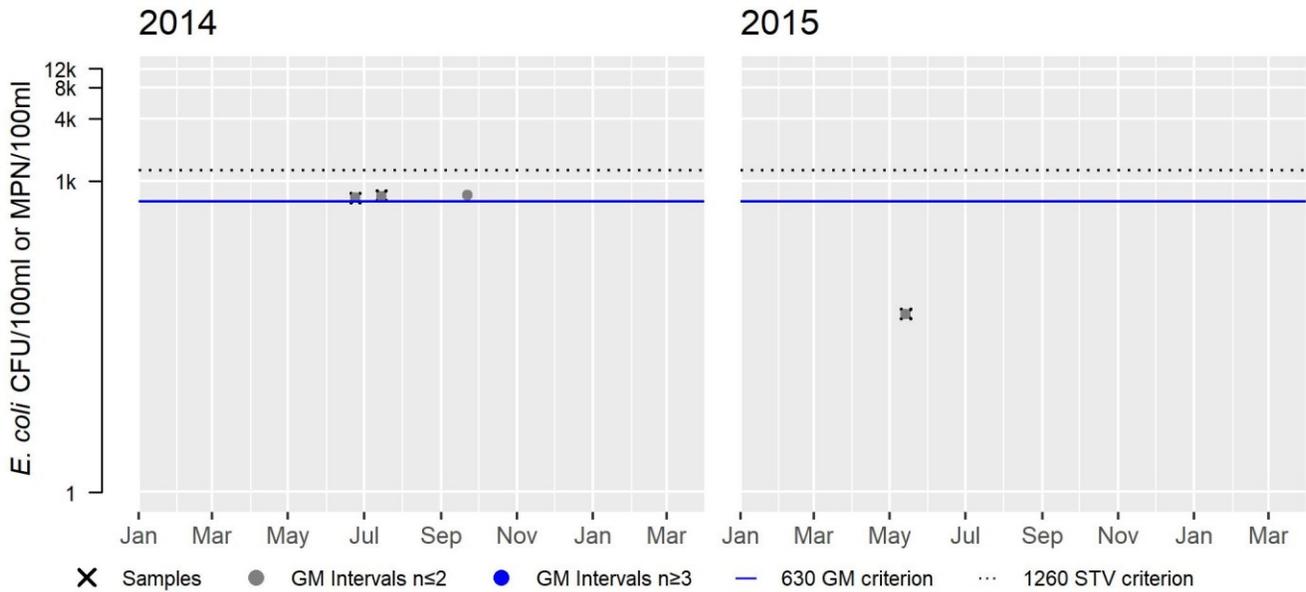
W1956 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Secondary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	2
SeasGM	707
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Var	Res
Samples	1
SeasGM	52
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

Variable	Cumulative %GMI Ex (all years)
Result	0



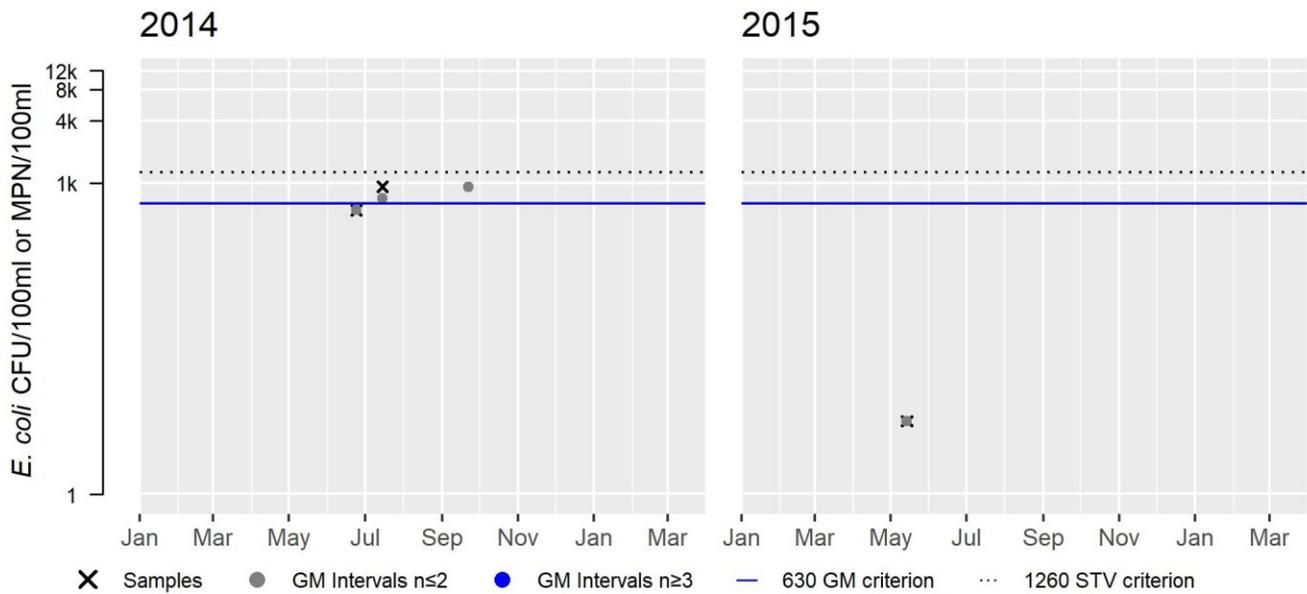
W2472 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Secondary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	2
SeasGM	710
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Var	Res
Samples	1
SeasGM	5
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

Variable	Cumulative %GMI Ex (all years)
Result	0

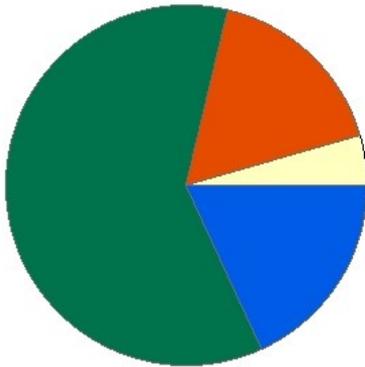


Oak Swamp Brook (MA53-15)

Location:	Headwaters in Oak Swamp east of School Street, Rehoboth to confluence with Rocky Run, Rehoboth.
AU Type:	RIVER
AU Size:	3 MILES
Classification/Qualifier:	B

Oak Swamp Brook - MA53-15

Watershed Area: 2.27 square miles



Percent Agriculture
 Percent Natural
 Percent Developed
 Percent Wetland

Landuse Type	Entire Basin	5km Radius Proximal Subbasin	100m Stream Buffer	Proximal Stream Buffer
Land Use Area (square miles)	2.27	2.27	0.69	0.69
Agriculture	4.5%	4.5%	1.7%	1.7%
Developed	16.8%	16.8%	7.6%	7.6%
Natural	60.5%	60.4%	52.9%	52.8%
Wetland	18.2%	18.3%	37.8%	37.9%
Impervious Cover	4.6%			

2018/20 AU Category	2022 AU Category	Impairment	ATTAINS Action ID	Impairment Change Summary
4a	4a	Escherichia Coli (E. Coli)	35091	Unchanged

Impairment	Source (Confirmed Y/N)	Fish, other Aquatic Life and Wildlife	Fish Consumption	Aesthetic	Primary Contact Recreation	Secondary Contact Recreation
Escherichia Coli (E. Coli)	Agriculture (N)				X	
Escherichia Coli (E. Coli)	On-site Treatment Systems (Septic Systems and Similar Decentralized Systems) (N)				X	
Escherichia Coli (E. Coli)	Source Unknown (N)				X	
Escherichia Coli (E. Coli)	Waterfowl (N)				X	

Designated Use Attainment Decisions

Fish, other Aquatic Life and Wildlife

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Fully Supporting	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
<p>EPA conducted discrete water quality monitoring of Oak Swamp Brook in Rehoboth, at Brook St. (EPA_OS28) and Providence St. (EPA_OS27), during the summer of 2012 and 2013. Data was generally indicative of good water quality conditions (a summary incorporating data from both stations follows): pH ranged from 5.3-7.4SU (n=6) (with 3 out of 6 measurements falling below 6.5SU and twice below 6.0SU (both times at EPA_OS28); maximum temperature 21.6°C (n=2); minimum DO 3.5mg/L (n=6), with 1 out of 6 measurements (also at EPA_OS28) falling below 5.0mg/L; the maximum DO saturation was 101.6% and specific conductance was all low with a max of 183µS/cm (n=6). The low pH and DO measurements in the middle of the AU (at Brook St.) are judged likely to be a natural condition due to the large amount of wetland (mostly wooded swamp and shrub swamp) throughout the watershed (especially in the vicinity of Brook St) as depicted by the MassGIS detailed wetland layer and the proximal stream buffer for this very small watershed (2.27 sq Miles) is >90% "natural land".</p> <p>The Aquatic Life Use of Oak Swamp Brook (MA53-15) is assessed as Fully Supporting based on EPA's limited water quality data.</p>	

Monitoring Stations

Station Code	Organization	Type	Water Body	Station Description	Latitude	Longitude
EPA_OS27	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Oak Swamp Brook	Oak Swamp Brook @ Providence Street, Rehoboth	41.794734	-71.252673
EPA_OS28	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Oak Swamp Brook	Oak Swamp Brook @ Brook Street, Rehoboth	41.806704	-71.252942

Physico-chemical Water Quality Information

DO, pH, Temperature

EPA Freshwater Discrete Dissolved Oxygen Data (2012-2013). (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)

[CW= Coldwater, WW= Warmwater]

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	DO Count	DO Min (mg/L)	DO Avg (mg/L)	Count CW <5.0	Count WW Early Life Stages <5.0	Count WW Other Life Stages <4.0
EPA_OS27	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	5.9	5.9	0	0	0
EPA_OS27	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	7.7	8.6	0	0	0
EPA_OS28	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	5.9	5.9	0	0	0
EPA_OS28	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	3.5	7.0	1	1	1

EPA Freshwater Discrete Temperature Data (2012, 2013 & 2016-2019). (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)

[Summer Index is June 1 – Sept 15; CW= Coldwater, WW= Warmwater]

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	Temp Count	Index Count	Temp Max (°C)	Temp Avg (°C)	Count CW >20	Count CW >22	Count WW >28.3	Count WW >30.3
EPA_OS27	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	0	10.7	10.7	0	0	0	0
EPA_OS27	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	1	20.3	15.7	1	0	0	0
EPA_OS28	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	0	9.8	9.8	0	0	0	0
EPA_OS28	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	1	21.6	18.0	1	0	0	0

EPA Discrete pH Data (2012-2013). (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	pH Count	pH Min (SU)	pH Max (SU)	pH Count <6.5 or >8.3	pH Count <6.0 or >8.8
EPA_OS27	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	6.6	6.6	0	0
EPA_OS27	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	6.1	7.4	1	0
EPA_OS28	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	5.6	5.6	1	1
EPA_OS28	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	5.3	7.3	1	1

Nutrients (Primary Producer Screening, Physico-chemical Screening)

EPA Freshwater Nutrient Enrichment Indicator Data (2012, 2013 & 2016-2019). (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)

[Summer seasonal total phosphorus data collected May-Sept]

Station Code	Data Year	Seasonal TP Count	Seasonal TP Min (mg/L)	Seasonal TP Max (mg/L)	Seasonal TP Avg (mg/L)	DO Sat Max (%)	pH Max (SU)
EPA_OS27	2012	--	--	--	--	51.9	6.6
EPA_OS27	2013	--	--	--	--	86.9	7.4
EPA_OS28	2012	--	--	--	--	52.4	5.6
EPA_OS28	2013	--	--	--	--	101.6	7.3

Toxics and other pollutants (metals, ammonia, chloride, chlorine)

EPA Discrete Specific Conductance Data (2012-2013, 2016-2019) Compared to Estimated Chloride Criteria. (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	SpCond Count	SpCond Min (µs/cm)	SpCond Max (µs/cm)	Count SpCond >904	Count SpCond >994	Count SpCond >3193	Count SpCond >3512	Consecutive sets >904	Consecutive sets >994
EPA_OS27	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	122	122	0	0	0	0	0	0
EPA_OS27	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	156	183	0	0	0	0	0	0
EPA_OS28	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	73	73	0	0	0	0	0	0
EPA_OS28	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	6	92	0	0	0	0	0	0

Fish Consumption

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Not Assessed	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	

No site-specific fish consumption advisory has been issued by DPH, therefore the Fish Consumption Use for Oak Swamp Brook (MA53-15), is Not Assessed.

Aesthetic

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Not Assessed	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
No data are available to assess the status of the Aesthetic Use for Oak Swamp Brook (MA53-15), so it is Not Assessed.	

Primary Contact Recreation

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Not Supporting	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
<p><i>E. coli</i> bacteria data were collected on Oak Swamp Brook (MA53-15) at the following sampling stations in Rehoboth (data years): EPA 1-2 times per year – at Brook St. (EPA_OS28) and Providence St. (EPA_OS27), during the summer of 2012 and 2013. These recent data are too limited to assess the Primary Contact Recreational Use for Oak Swamp Brook according to the CALM “Use Attainment Impairment Decision Schema”; consequently, the Primary Contact Recreational Use will continue to be assessed as Not Supporting with the existing <i>E. coli</i> impairment being carried forward.</p>	

Monitoring Stations

Station Code	Organization	Type	Water Body	Station Description	Latitude	Longitude
EPA_OS27	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Oak Swamp Brook	Oak Swamp Brook @ Providence Street, Rehoboth	41.794734	-71.252673
EPA_OS28	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Oak Swamp Brook	Oak Swamp Brook @ Brook Street, Rehoboth	41.806704	-71.252942

Bacteria Data

Bacteria Data Collected by MassDEP and External Data Providers 2011-2020 (90-day Interval Analysis) (EPA 2020)

(MassDEP Undated 3)

[Result units are CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml]

Station Code	Organization	Indicator	Start Date	End Date	Sample Count	Minimum Sample Result	Maximum Sample Result	Seasonal Geometric Mean
EPA_OS27	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	86	86	86
EPA_OS27	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	54	233	112
EPA_OS28	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	344	344	344
EPA_OS28	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	324	532	415

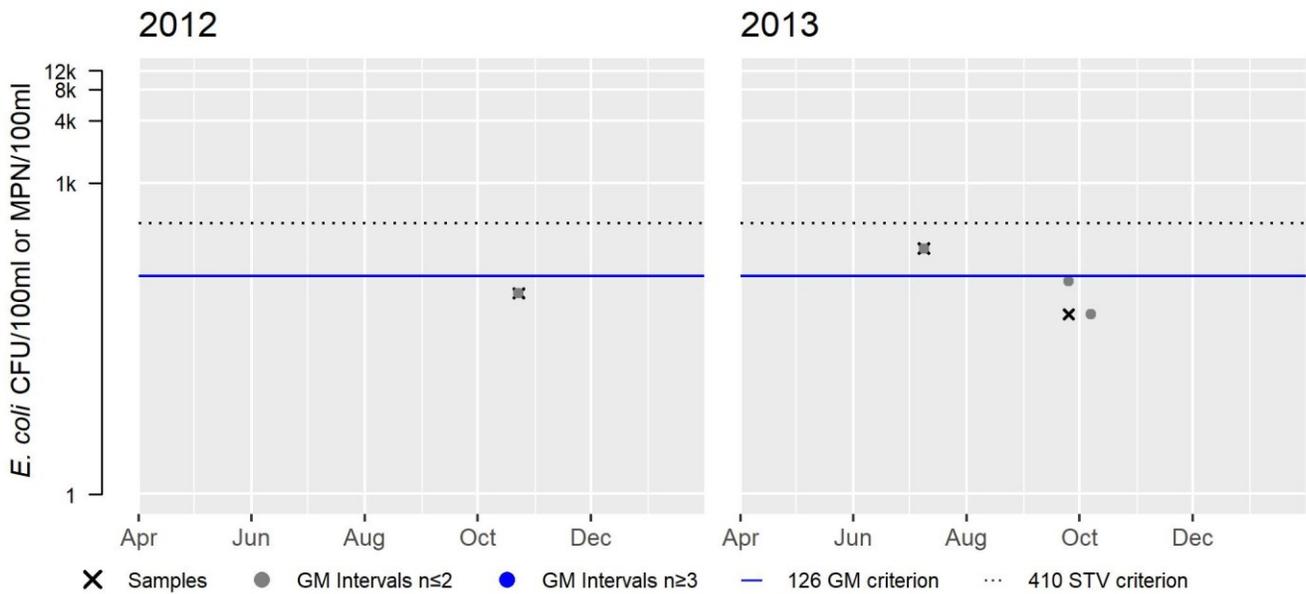
EPA_OS27 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Primary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	1
SeasGM	86
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Var	Res
Samples	2
SeasGM	112
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

Variable	Cumulative %GMI Ex (all years)
Result	0



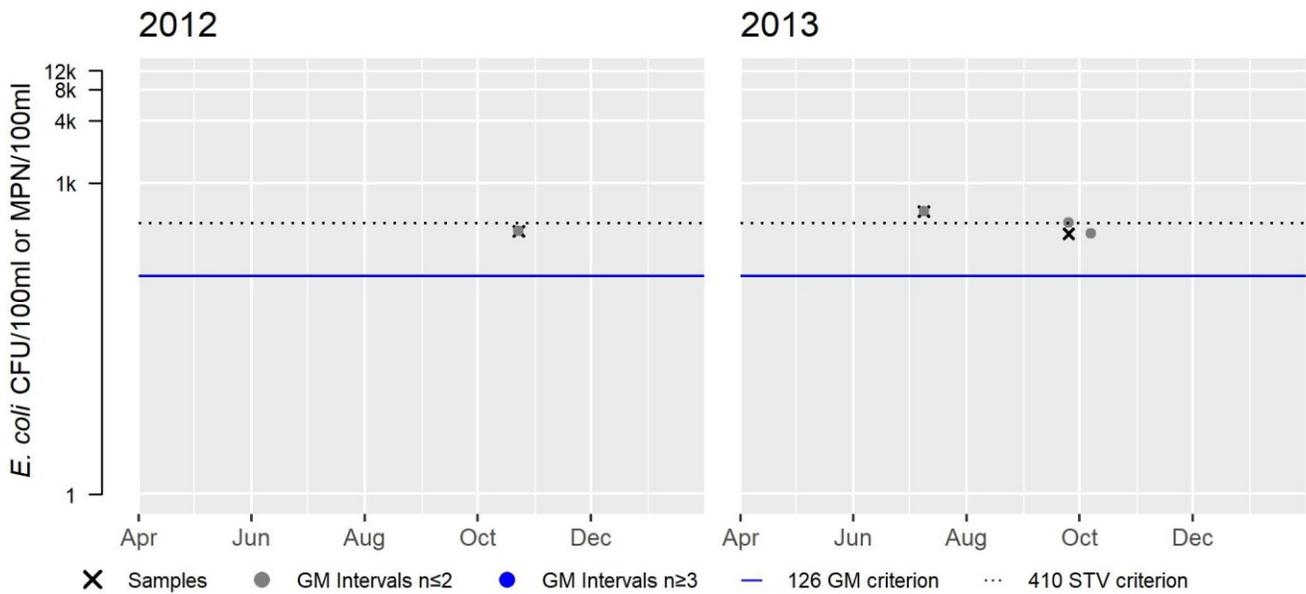
EPA_OS28 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Primary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	1
SeasGM	344
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Var	Res
Samples	2
SeasGM	415
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
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n>STV	1
%n>STV	50

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

Variable	Cumulative %GMI Ex (all years)
Result	0



Secondary Contact Recreation

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Insufficient Information	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
<p><i>E. coli</i> bacteria data were collected on Oak Swamp Brook (MA53-15) at the following sampling stations in Rehoboth (data years): EPA 1-2 times per year – at Brook St. (EPA_OS28) and Providence St. (EPA_OS27), during the summer of 2012 and 2013. These recent data are too limited to assess the Secondary Contact Recreational Use for Oak Swamp Brook according to the CALM “Use Attainment Impairment Decision Schema”; consequently, the Secondary Contact Recreational Use for Oak Swamp Brook is assessed as having Insufficient Information.</p>	

Monitoring Stations

Station Code	Organization	Type	Water Body	Station Description	Latitude	Longitude
EPA_OS27	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Oak Swamp Brook	Oak Swamp Brook @ Providence Street, Rehoboth	41.794734	-71.252673
EPA_OS28	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Oak Swamp Brook	Oak Swamp Brook @ Brook Street, Rehoboth	41.806704	-71.252942

Bacteria Data

Bacteria Data Collected by MassDEP and External Data Providers 2011-2020 (90-day Interval Analysis) (EPA 2020)

(MassDEP Undated 3)

[Result units are CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml]

Station Code	Organization	Indicator	Start Date	End Date	Sample Count	Minimum Sample Result (CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml)	Maximum Sample Result (CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml)	Seasonal Geometric Mean (CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml)
EPA_OS27	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	86	86	86
EPA_OS27	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	54	233	112
EPA_OS28	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	344	344	344
EPA_OS28	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	324	532	415

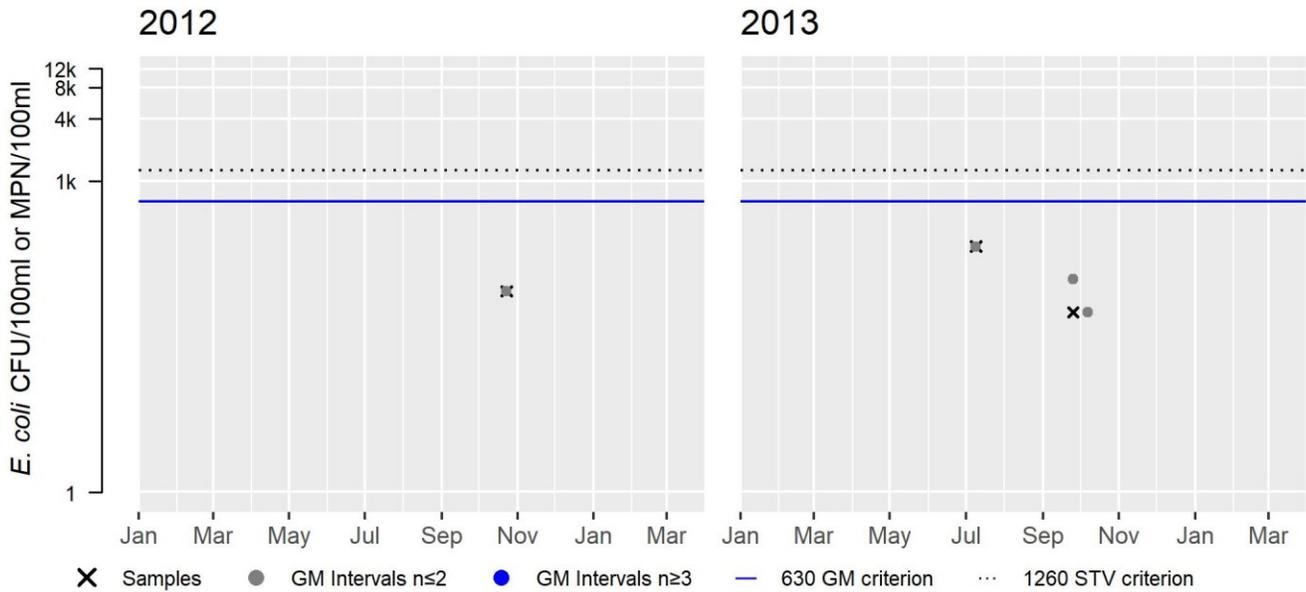
EPA_OS27 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Secondary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	1
SeasGM	86
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Var	Res
Samples	2
SeasGM	112
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

Variable	Cumulative %GMI Ex (all years)
Result	0



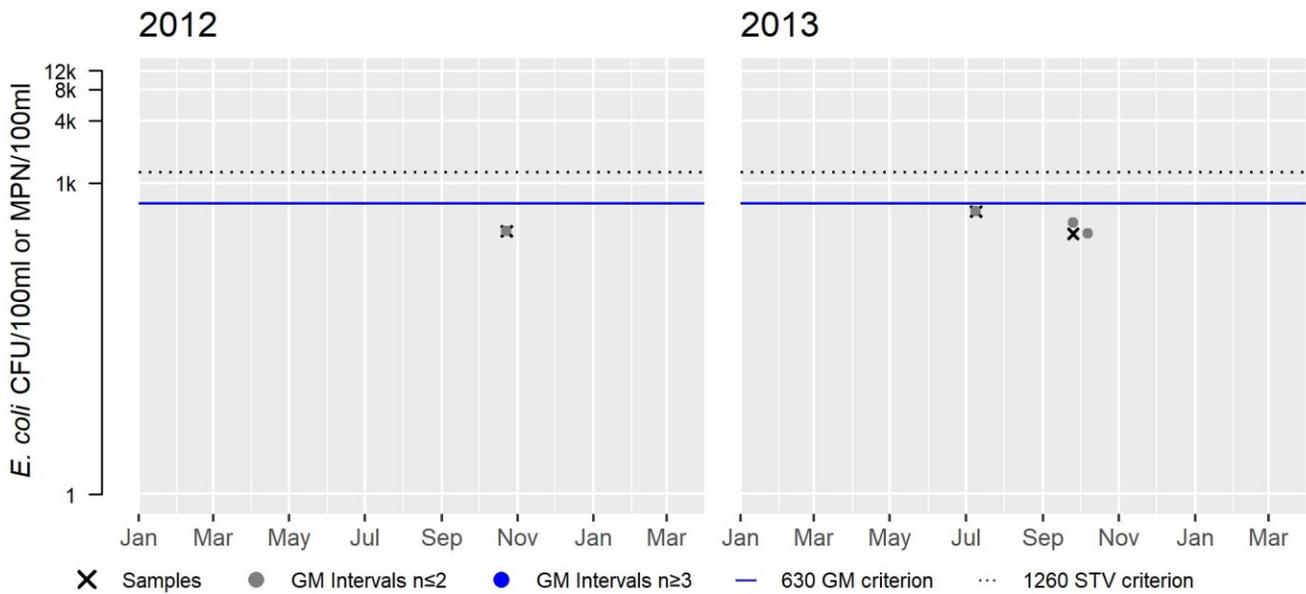
EPA_OS28 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Secondary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	1
SeasGM	344
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Var	Res
Samples	2
SeasGM	415
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

Variable	Cumulative %GMI Ex (all years)
Result	0



Palmer River (MA53-03)

Location:	From Route 6 bridge, Rehoboth to state line, Swansea, MA/Barrington, RI.
AU Type:	ESTUARY
AU Size:	0.11 SQUARE MILES
Classification/Qualifier:	SB: SFR

2018/20 AU Category	2022 AU Category	Impairment	ATTAINS Action ID	Impairment Change Summary
4a	5	Enterococcus		Added
4a	5	Fecal Coliform	35085	Unchanged

Impairment	Source (Confirmed Y/N)	Fish, other Aquatic Life and Wildlife	Fish Consumption	Shellfish Harvesting	Aesthetic	Primary Contact Recreation	Secondary Contact Recreation
Enterococcus	Agriculture (Y)					X	X
Enterococcus	Discharges from Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4) (N)					X	X
Enterococcus	On-site Treatment Systems (Septic Systems and Similar Decentralized Systems) (N)					X	X
Enterococcus	Waterfowl (N)					X	X
Enterococcus	Wildlife other than Waterfowl (N)					X	X
Fecal Coliform	Agriculture (Y)			X			
Fecal Coliform	Discharges from Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4) (N)			X			
Fecal Coliform	On-site Treatment Systems (Septic Systems and Similar Decentralized Systems) (N)			X			
Fecal Coliform	Waterfowl (N)			X			
Fecal Coliform	Wildlife other than Waterfowl (N)			X			

Recommendations

2022 Recommendations
ALU: Conduct additional water quality monitoring in this Palmer River AU (MA53-03) to better evaluate the Aquatic Life Use with regard to nutrient enrichment issues in this estuarine AU (i.e., document primary producer indicators such as chlorophyll a as well as additional DO data collection).

Designated Use Attainment Decisions

Fish, other Aquatic Life and Wildlife

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Fully Supporting	YES
2022 Use Attainment Summary	

EPA staff conducted discrete water quality monitoring along this Palmer River AU (MA53-03) at the Rt. 6 bridge, Rehoboth (EPA_PM29) & Old Providence Rd, Swansea (EPA_PM43), once or twice in 2012-2013 and typically monthly in 2016-2019. The data can be summarized as follows (incorporating data from both stations): maximum temperature 30°C (n=29 measurements during the summer index period with two measurements >29.4°C). The two high temperatures occurred at both sampling locations (EPA_PM29 and PM43) on the same day (August 15th, 2016), after a string of four days when the maximum air temperature was $\geq 90^{\circ}\text{C}$ (heat wave conditions). The minimum DO was 5.4mg/L (n=3) and pH ranged from 6.1-7.5SU (n=3, just once measuring <6.5SU). The maximum total suspended solids concentration was 21mg/L (n=64) although average concentrations were low (4.6 to 9.2mg/L). Total ammonia-nitrogen concentrations were generally low (range 0.07 to 0.14mg/L, n=18), but TUs could not be calculated due to a lack of date specific pH and salinity data. The maximum total nitrogen concentration measured was 1.8mg/L but the seasonal average concentrations averaged 0.6 to 0.9mg/L (n=40 five sample average concentrations for both stations 2016 to 2019). According to CALM guidance (MassDEP 2022), total nitrogen concentrations at mid-ebb tide conditions >0.5mg/L in an estuarine area can be indicative of moderately-severely degraded habitat health for the system, however no primary producer biological screening data are available to evaluate or to clarify the existence of a nutrient enrichment problem for this Palmer River AU. The Aquatic Life Use of this Palmer River AU (MA53-03) is assessed as Fully Supporting based on EPA's water quality data but an Alert is being identified for the elevated seasonal average total nitrogen concentrations consistently documented at both the Rt.6 and Old Providence Rd. sampling locations.

Monitoring Stations

Station Code	Organization	Type	Water Body	Station Description	Latitude	Longitude
EPA_PM29	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Palmer River	Mainstem Palmer River @ Rt. 6 bridge, downstream, Rehoboth	41.775284	-71.281005
EPA_PM43	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Palmer River	Mainstem Palmer River @ Old Providence Road, Swansea	41.772176	-71.282913

Biological Monitoring Information

Habitat and Flow Data (anthropogenic alterations)

EPA Discrete Total Suspended Solids Data (2016-2019). (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	TSS Count	TSS Max (mg/L)	TSS Avg (mg/L)	TSS Count >25
EPA_PM29	04/19/16	11/09/16	8	15	9.2	0
EPA_PM29	04/20/17	11/14/17	8	11	5.4	0
EPA_PM29	04/24/18	11/05/18	8	21	7	0
EPA_PM29	04/29/19	11/06/19	8	8.8	4.6	0
EPA_PM43	04/19/16	11/09/16	8	12	8.9	0
EPA_PM43	04/20/17	11/14/17	8	19	8.7	0
EPA_PM43	04/24/18	11/05/18	8	11	6.7	0
EPA_PM43	04/29/19	11/06/19	8	10	5.8	0

Physico-chemical Water Quality Information

DO, pH, Temperature

EPA Estuarine Discrete Dissolved Oxygen Data (2012-2013). (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	DO Count	DO Min (mg/L)	DO Avg (mg/L)	% Meas. <5.0	% Meas. <4.0
EPA_PM29	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	5.4	5.4	0	0
EPA_PM29	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	6.0	6.8	0	0

EPA Estuarine Discrete Temperature Data (2012, 2013 & 2016-2019). (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)

[Summer Index is June 1 – Sept 15]

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	Temp Count	Index Count	Temp Max (°C)	Temp Avg (°C)	Count >29.4
EPA_PM29	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	0	14.3	14.3	0
EPA_PM29	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	1	28.0	22.4	0
EPA_PM29	04/19/16	11/09/16	8	4	30.0	18.5	1
EPA_PM29	04/20/17	11/14/17	8	4	25.2	18.0	0
EPA_PM29	04/24/18	11/05/18	8	3	28.7	17.6	0
EPA_PM29	04/29/19	11/06/19	8	3	26.5	17.5	0
EPA_PM43	04/19/16	11/09/16	8	4	29.9	18.5	1
EPA_PM43	04/20/17	11/14/17	8	4	25.7	18.5	0
EPA_PM43	04/24/18	11/05/18	8	3	29.1	18.2	0
EPA_PM43	04/29/19	11/06/19	8	3	26.7	17.9	0

EPA Discrete pH Data (2012-2013). (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	pH Count	pH Min (SU)	pH Max (SU)	pH Count <6.5 or >8.3	pH Count <6.0 or >8.8
EPA_PM29	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	6.1	6.1	1	0
EPA_PM29	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	7.4	7.5	0	0

Nutrients (Primary Producer Screening, Physico-chemical Screening)

EPA Summer Seasonal Total Nitrogen Data (2016-2019). (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)

[Total nitrogen data collected May-Sept]

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	Seasonal TN Count	Seasonal TN Min (mg/L)	Seasonal TN Max (mg/L)	Seasonal TN Avg (mg/L)
EPA_PM29	05/17/16	09/13/16	5	0.4	0.9	0.7
EPA_PM29	05/31/17	09/14/17	5	0.4	0.8	0.6
EPA_PM29	05/09/18	09/19/18	5	0.5	1.8	0.8
EPA_PM29	05/13/19	09/24/19	5	0.4	0.9	0.6
EPA_PM43	05/17/16	09/13/16	5	0.4	0.8	0.7
EPA_PM43	05/31/17	09/14/17	5	0.4	0.9	0.7
EPA_PM43	05/09/18	09/19/18	5	0.6	1.6	0.9
EPA_PM43	05/13/19	09/24/19	5	0.4	0.9	0.6

Toxics and other pollutants (metals, ammonia, chlorine)

EPA Estuarine Total Ammonia Nitrogen (TAN) Data (2017 & 2019). (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)

[TAN= NH₃ + NH₄⁺]

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	TAN Count	TAN Min (mg/L)	TAN Max (mg/L)	TAN Avg (mg/L)
EPA_PM29	11/14/17	11/14/17	1	0.12	0.12	0.12
EPA_PM29	04/29/19	11/06/19	8	0.07	0.09	0.07
EPA_PM43	11/14/17	11/14/17	1	0.14	0.14	0.14
EPA_PM43	04/29/19	11/06/19	8	0.07	0.11	0.08

Fish Consumption

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Not Assessed	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
No site-specific fish consumption advisory has been issued by DPH; therefore this Palmer River AU (MA53-03) is Not Assessed.	

Shellfish Harvesting

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Not Supporting	YES
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
Palmer River (MA53-03): The total of all shellfish growing area classifications (Bettencourt August 25, 2021) within this AU is 0.1002 sq mi (92%). The sum of the approved, conditionally approved, and restricted shellfish growing areas represents 0 sq mi (0%). The prohibited shellfish growing area represents 0.1002 sq mi (92%). There is insufficient information available to assess the Shellfish Harvesting Use because the growing areas within this AU are classified as either entirely prohibited or a combination of prohibited and approved, conditionally approved, and/or restricted. Alert due to prohibited area >= 0.0001 sq mi. There is insufficient information available to delist the existing Fecal Coliform impairment so the Shellfish Harvesting Use is evaluated as not supporting.	

Shellfish Growing Area Classifications

MassDFG-Division of Marine Fisheries Shellfish Growing Area Classification Data (Bettencourt August 25, 2021) (MassDEP Undated 6)

Area Name	Waterbody/Area Description	Classification	Area (Sq. Mi.)	Area (% of AU)
MHB5.0	Palmer River	Prohibited	0.10016	92.2%

Aesthetic

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Insufficient Information	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
MassDEP staff recorded aesthetics observations at one site along this Palmer River AU (MA53-03) at Rt.6 (Fall River Avenue), Rehoboth (W2444) in 2013 (n=2). There were generally no noted objectionable conditions (odors, deposits, growths, or turbidity). Too limited data are available to assess the Aesthetics Use for this Palmer River AU (MA53-03) so it is assessed as having Insufficient Information.	

Monitoring Stations

Station Code	Organization	Type	Water Body	Station Description	Latitude	Longitude
W2444	MassDEP	Water Quality	Palmer River	[Route 6 (Fall River Avenue), Rehoboth]	41.775454	-71.281030

Aesthetic Observations

Aesthetics Summary Statements for MassDEP Stations (2011-2018) (MassDEP Undated 5)

Station Code	Waterbody	Data Year	Field Sheet Count	Aesthetics Summary Statement
W2444	Palmer River	2013	2	MassDEP aesthetics observations for station W2444 on Palmer River can be summarized as follows: there were generally no noted objectionable conditions (odors, deposits, growths, or turbidity) recorded by DEP field sampling crews during summer 2013. However, there is insufficient information to assess the Aesthetics Use since data were limited (n=2).

Observations of Filamentous/Film Algae at MassDEP Stations (2011-2018) (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

Station Code	Data Year	Field Sheet Count	Field Sheet Count w/ Film & Filamentous Algae Observations	Dense/ Very Dense Film/ Filamentous Algae
W2444	2013	2	0	0

MassDEP Aesthetics Observations (2011-2018) (MassDEP Undated 8)

Station Code	Waterbody	Data Year	Parameter	Result	Result Count	Total Field Sheet Count
W2444	Palmer River	2013	Color	Light Yellow/Tan	1	2
W2444	Palmer River	2013	Color	None	1	2
W2444	Palmer River	2013	Objectionable Deposits	Not Applicable (N/A)	2	2
W2444	Palmer River	2013	Odor	None	2	2
W2444	Palmer River	2013	Scum	Not Applicable (N/A)	2	2
W2444	Palmer River	2013	Turbidity	Highly Turbid	1	2
W2444	Palmer River	2013	Turbidity	Moderately Turbid	1	2

Primary Contact Recreation

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Not Supporting	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	

Enterococcus bacteria samples were collected in the upstream half of this Palmer River AU (MA53-03) at the following sampling stations (data years): MassDEP 1 time per year – Route 6 (Fall River Avenue), Rehoboth (W2444) (2013) and EPA 1-7 times per year - downstream Rt. 6 bridge, Rehoboth (EPA_PM29), and at Old Providence Road, Swansea (EPA_PM43) (2013-2019). Analysis of the *Enterococcus* data (for years where it was sufficient) at Rt.6 (EPA_PM29) and Old Providence Rd (EPA_PM43) indicated 100% of intervals had GMs >35 cfu/100ml in four years (2016-2019) and between two and six samples each year exceed the 130 cfu/100ml STV in all four of the sample years. The seasonal GMs in the last four years ranged from 80 to 572cfu/100ml. MassDEP conducted BST work in this AU in 2013 & 2015, in support of the EPA/RIDEM/MassDEP joint effort under the “National Water Quality Initiative” (NWQI). No human source of bacteria was ever identified, though agricultural land-use was noted in the AU directly upstream (MA53-05), and this potential source was investigated/addressed by the Mass Association of Conservation Districts in partnership with NRCS, under the NWQI from 2014-2018. The Primary Contact Recreational Use for this Palmer River AU (MA53-03) is assessed as Not Supporting and *Enterococcus* bacteria is being added as an impairment.

Monitoring Stations

Station Code	Organization	Type	Water Body	Station Description	Latitude	Longitude
EPA_PM29	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Palmer River	Mainstem Palmer River @ Rt. 6 bridge, downstream, Rehoboth	41.775284	-71.281005
EPA_PM43	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Palmer River	Mainstem Palmer River @ Old Providence Road, Swansea	41.772176	-71.282913
W2444	MassDEP	Water Quality	Palmer River	[Route 6 (Fall River Avenue), Rehoboth]	41.775454	-71.281030

Bacteria Data

Bacteria Data Collected by MassDEP and External Data Providers 2011-2020 (90-day Interval Analysis) (EPA 2020)

(MassDEP Undated 3) (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

[Result units are CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml]

Station Code	Organization	Indicator	Start Date	End Date	Sample Count	Minimum Sample Result	Maximum Sample Result	Seasonal Geometric Mean
EPA_PM29	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	07/10/13	09/25/13	2	30	209	79
EPA_PM29	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	06/20/14	06/20/14	1	455.5	455.5	455
EPA_PM29	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	07/09/15	09/09/15	2	132	2480	572
EPA_PM29	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	04/19/16	10/12/16	7	16	651	134
EPA_PM29	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	04/20/17	10/12/17	7	10	3255	226
EPA_PM29	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	04/24/18	10/18/18	7	10	2755	150
EPA_PM29	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	04/29/19	10/22/19	7	31	1396	279
EPA_PM43	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	07/10/13	07/10/13	1	110	110	110
EPA_PM43	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	06/20/14	06/20/14	1	285	285	285
EPA_PM43	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	07/09/15	09/09/15	2	41	1940	282

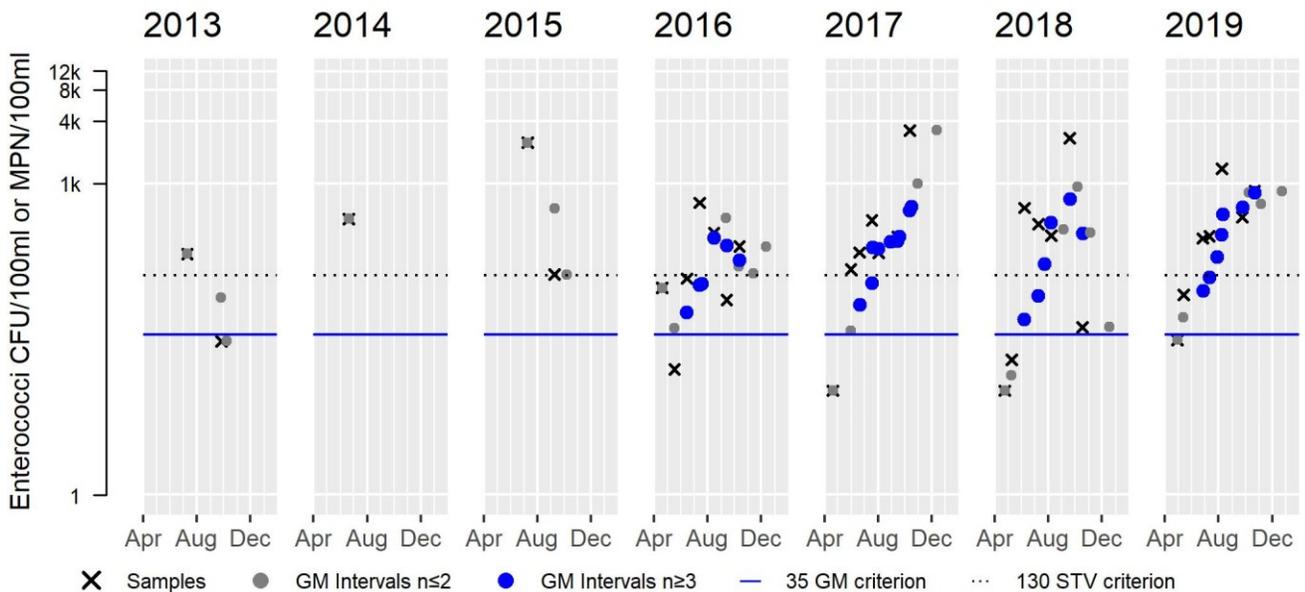
Station Code	Organization	Indicator	Start Date	End Date	Sample Count	Minimum Sample Result	Maximum Sample Result	Seasonal Geometric Mean
EPA_PM43	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	04/19/16	10/12/16	7	20	922	80
EPA_PM43	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	04/20/17	10/12/17	7	41	1476	163
EPA_PM43	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	04/24/18	10/18/18	7	10	2755	208
EPA_PM43	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	04/29/19	10/22/19	7	41	323	127
W2444	MassDEP	Enterococci	07/10/13	07/10/13	1	209	209	209

EPA_PM29 Enterococci (90-day Interval), Primary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res												
Samples	2	Samples	1	Samples	2	Samples	7	Samples	7	Samples	7	Samples	7
SeasGM	79	SeasGM	455	SeasGM	572	SeasGM	134	SeasGM	226	SeasGM	150	SeasGM	279
#GMI	0	#GMI	0	#GMI	0	#GMI	6	#GMI	9	#GMI	6	#GMI	7
#GMI Ex	0	#GMI Ex	0	#GMI Ex	0	#GMI Ex	6	#GMI Ex	9	#GMI Ex	6	#GMI Ex	7
%GMI Ex	0	%GMI Ex	0	%GMI Ex	0	%GMI Ex	100						
n>STV	1	n>STV	1	n>STV	2	n>STV	3	n>STV	6	n>STV	4	n>STV	5
%n>STV	50	%n>STV	100	%n>STV	100	%n>STV	43	%n>STV	86	%n>STV	57	%n>STV	71

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

Variable	Cumulative %GMI Ex (all years)	Cumulative %GMI Ex (last 5 years)
Result	100	100

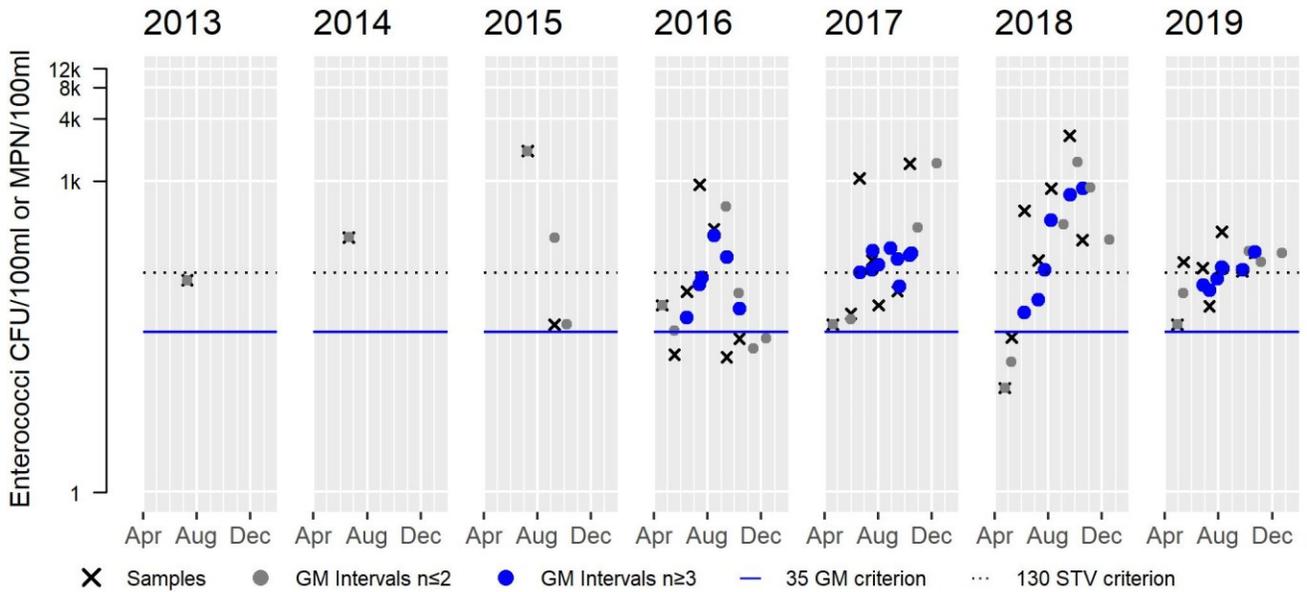


EPA_PM43 Enterococci (90-day Interval), Primary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res												
Samples	1	Samples	1	Samples	2	Samples	7	Samples	7	Samples	7	Samples	7
SeasGM	110	SeasGM	285	SeasGM	282	SeasGM	80	SeasGM	163	SeasGM	208	SeasGM	127
#GMI	0	#GMI	0	#GMI	0	#GMI	6	#GMI	9	#GMI	6	#GMI	7
#GMI Ex	0	#GMI Ex	0	#GMI Ex	0	#GMI Ex	6	#GMI Ex	9	#GMI Ex	6	#GMI Ex	7
%GMI Ex	0	%GMI Ex	0	%GMI Ex	0	%GMI Ex	100						
n>STV	0	n>STV	1	n>STV	1	n>STV	2	n>STV	3	n>STV	5	n>STV	5
%n>STV	0	%n>STV	100	%n>STV	50	%n>STV	29	%n>STV	43	%n>STV	71	%n>STV	71

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

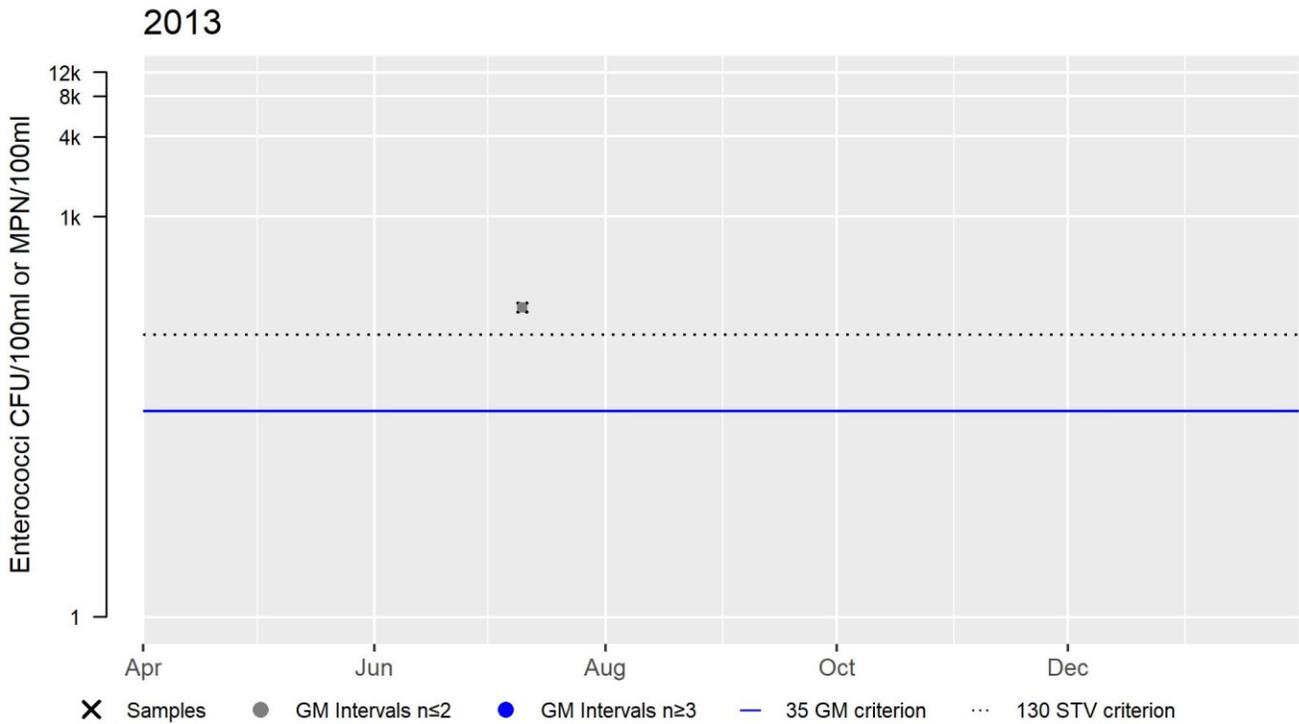
Variable	Cumulative %GMI Ex (all years)	Cumulative %GMI Ex (last 5 years)
Result	100	100



W2444 Enterococci (90-day Interval), Primary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	1
SeasGM	209
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	1
%n>STV	100

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV



MassDEP Bacteria Source Tracking (BST) Summary Statement for 2011-2019 (MassDEP Undated 1)

Summary
BST work was conducted at 3 sites in the Palmer River AU (MA53-03) in 2013 & 2015, in support of the EPA/RIDEM/DEP joint effort in the Palmer River watershed (NWQI). <i>E. coli</i> counts ranged 20 - 1,515MPN and Enterococcus ranged 41 - 1,658MPN. No human source of bacteria was ever identified in the AU. Agricultural land-use was noted in the Palmer River watershed upstream (i.e., MA53-05) and this potential source was investigated/addressed by the Mass Association of Conservation Districts (MACD) in partnership with NRCS, under the NWQI from 2014-2018.

Shellfish Growing Area Classifications

MassDEP Summary Statement for MassDFG Shellfish Growing Area Classification Data (Bettencourt August 25, 2021)
(MassDEP Undated 6)

Summary
Palmer River (MA53-03): The total of all shellfish growing area classifications (Bettencourt August 25, 2021) within this AU is 0.1002 sq mi (92%). The approved shellfish growing area represents 0 sq mi (0%). Because the total of all shellfish growing area classifications is anything less than “approved”, the Primary Contact Recreational Use cannot be assessed for 2022 using the shellfish classification data.

Secondary Contact Recreation

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Not Supporting	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
<p><i>Enterococcus</i> bacteria samples were collected in the upstream half of this Palmer River AU (MA53-03) at the following sampling stations (data years): MassDEP 1 time per year – Route 6 (Fall River Avenue), Rehoboth (W2444) (2013) and EPA 1-7 times per year - downstream Rt. 6 bridge, Rehoboth (EPA_PM29), and at Old Providence Road, Swansea (EPA_PM43) (2013-2019). Analysis of the multi-year moderate frequency <i>Enterococcus</i> data (for years where it was sufficient) at Rt.6 (EPA_PM29) and Old Providence Rd (EPA_PM43) indicated 25-80% of intervals had GMs >175 cfu/100ml in four years (2016-2019) and two or more years had at least two samples that exceeded the STV of 350cfu/100ml at both sites. Both sites had cumulative interval GMs >175 cfu/100ml (64 and 42% at EPA_PM29 and EPA_PM43, respectively) while the seasonal GMs in the last four years ranged from 80 to 572cfu/100ml. MassDEP conducted BST work in this AU in 2013 & 2015, in support of the EPA/RIDEM/MassDEP joint effort under the “National Water Quality Initiative” (NWQI). No human source of bacteria was ever identified, though agricultural land-use was noted in the AU directly upstream (MA53-05) and this potential source was investigated/addressed by the Mass Association of Conservation Districts in partnership with NRCS, under the NWQI from 2014-2018. The Secondary Contact Recreational Use for this Palmer River AU (MA53-03) is assessed as Not Supporting and <i>Enterococcus</i> bacteria is being added as an impairment.</p>	

Monitoring Stations

Station Code	Organization	Type	Water Body	Station Description	Latitude	Longitude
EPA_PM29	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Palmer River	Mainstem Palmer River @ Rt. 6 bridge, downstream, Rehoboth	41.775284	-71.281005
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W2444	MassDEP	Water Quality	Palmer River	[Route 6 (Fall River Avenue), Rehoboth]	41.775454	-71.281030

Bacteria Data

Bacteria Data Collected by MassDEP and External Data Providers 2011-2020 (90-day Interval Analysis) (EPA 2020)

(MassDEP Undated 3) (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

[Result units are CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml]

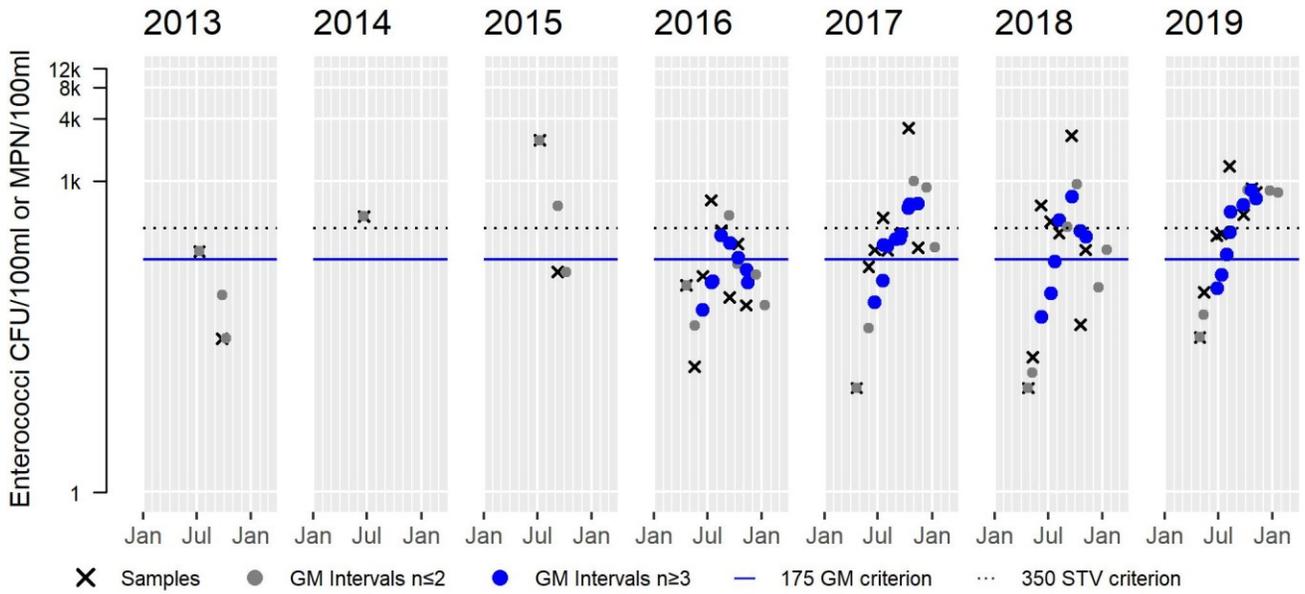
Station Code	Organization	Indicator	Start Date	End Date	Sample Count	Minimum Sample Result (CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml)	Maximum Sample Result (CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml)	Seasonal Geometric Mean (CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml)
EPA_PM29	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	07/10/13	09/25/13	2	30	209	79
EPA_PM29	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	06/20/14	06/20/14	1	455.5	455.5	455
EPA_PM29	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	07/09/15	09/09/15	2	132	2480	572
EPA_PM29	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	04/19/16	11/09/16	8	16	651	122
EPA_PM29	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	04/20/17	11/14/17	8	10	3255	226
EPA_PM29	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	04/24/18	11/05/18	8	10	2755	157
EPA_PM29	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	04/29/19	11/06/19	8	31	1396	317
EPA_PM43	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	07/10/13	07/10/13	1	110	110	110
EPA_PM43	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	06/20/14	06/20/14	1	285	285	285
EPA_PM43	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	07/09/15	09/09/15	2	41	1940	282
EPA_PM43	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	04/19/16	11/09/16	8	20	922	71
EPA_PM43	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	04/20/17	11/14/17	8	41	1476	159
EPA_PM43	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	04/24/18	11/05/18	8	10	2755	197
EPA_PM43	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	04/29/19	11/06/19	8	41	355	144
W2444	MassDEP	Enterococci	07/10/13	07/10/13	1	209	209	209

EPA_PM29 Enterococci (90-day Interval), Secondary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res												
Samples	2	Samples	1	Samples	2	Samples	8	Samples	8	Samples	8	Samples	8
SeasGM	79	SeasGM	455	SeasGM	572	SeasGM	122	SeasGM	226	SeasGM	157	SeasGM	317
#GMI	0	#GMI	0	#GMI	0	#GMI	8	#GMI	10	#GMI	7	#GMI	8
#GMI Ex	0	#GMI Ex	0	#GMI Ex	0	#GMI Ex	3	#GMI Ex	8	#GMI Ex	4	#GMI Ex	6
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Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

Variable	Cumulative %GMI Ex (all years)	Cumulative %GMI Ex (last 5 years)
Result	64	64

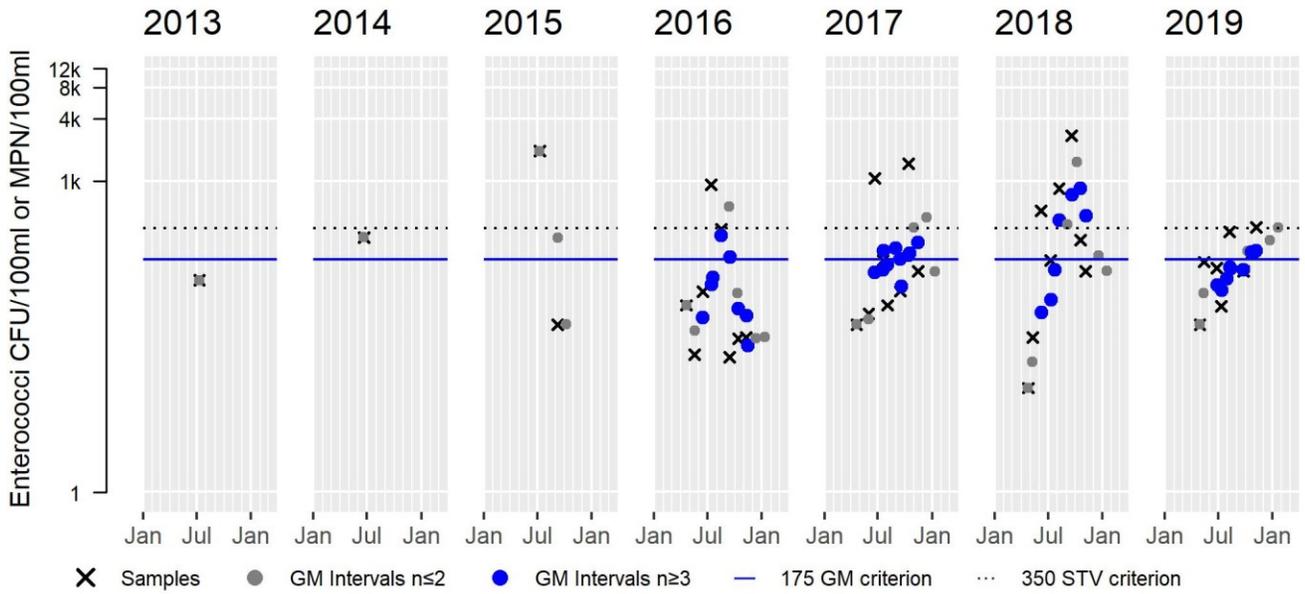


EPA_PM43 Enterococci (90-day Interval), Secondary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res												
Samples	1	Samples	1	Samples	2	Samples	8	Samples	8	Samples	8	Samples	8
SeasGM	110	SeasGM	285	SeasGM	282	SeasGM	71	SeasGM	159	SeasGM	197	SeasGM	144
#GMI	0	#GMI	0	#GMI	0	#GMI	8	#GMI	10	#GMI	7	#GMI	8
#GMI Ex	0	#GMI Ex	0	#GMI Ex	0	#GMI Ex	2	#GMI Ex	6	#GMI Ex	4	#GMI Ex	2
%GMI Ex	0	%GMI Ex	0	%GMI Ex	0	%GMI Ex	25	%GMI Ex	60	%GMI Ex	57	%GMI Ex	25
n>STV	0	n>STV	0	n>STV	1	n>STV	1	n>STV	2	n>STV	3	n>STV	1
%n>STV	0	%n>STV	0	%n>STV	50	%n>STV	12	%n>STV	25	%n>STV	38	%n>STV	12

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

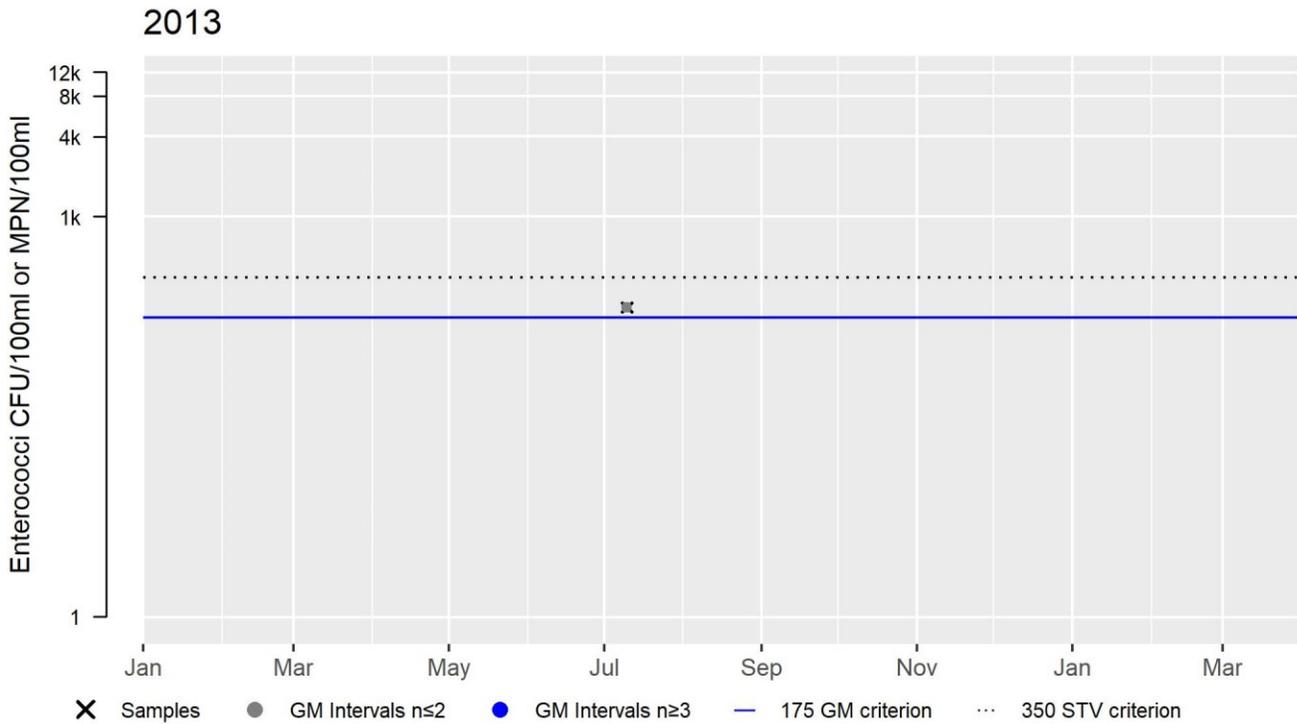
Variable	Cumulative %GMI Ex (all years)	Cumulative %GMI Ex (last 5 years)
Result	42	42



W2444 Enterococci (90-day Interval), Secondary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	1
SeasGM	209
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV



Shellfish Growing Area Classifications

MassDEP Summary Statement for MassDFG Shellfish Growing Area Classification Data (Bettencourt August 25, 2021)
 (MassDEP Undated 6)

Summary
Palmer River (MA53-03): The total of all shellfish growing area classifications (Bettencourt August 25, 2021) within this AU is 0.1002 sq mi (92%). The approved shellfish growing area represents 0 sq mi (0%). Because the total of all shellfish growing area classifications is anything less than “approved”, the Secondary Contact Recreational Use cannot be assessed for 2022 using the shellfish classification data.

Palmer River (MA53-05)

Location:	From the Shad Factory Pond dam (NATID: MA00787), Rehoboth to the Route 6 bridge, Rehoboth (formerly part of 2000 segment: Palmer River MA53-02).
AU Type:	ESTUARY
AU Size:	0.09 SQUARE MILES
Classification/Qualifier:	SB: SFR

2018/20 AU Category	2022 AU Category	Impairment	ATTAINS Action ID	Impairment Change Summary
4a	5	Enterococcus		Added
4a	5	Fecal Coliform	35087	Unchanged

Impairment	Source (Confirmed Y/N)	Fish, other Aquatic Life and Wildlife	Fish Consumption	Shellfish Harvesting	Aesthetic	Primary Contact Recreation	Secondary Contact Recreation
Enterococcus	Agriculture (Y)					X	X
Enterococcus	Discharges from Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4) (N)					X	X
Enterococcus	On-site Treatment Systems (Septic Systems and Similar Decentralized Systems) (N)					X	X
Enterococcus	Waterfowl (N)					X	X
Enterococcus	Wildlife other than Waterfowl (N)					X	X
Fecal Coliform	Agriculture (Y)			X			
Fecal Coliform	Discharges from Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4) (N)			X			
Fecal Coliform	On-site Treatment Systems (Septic Systems and Similar Decentralized Systems) (N)			X			
Fecal Coliform	Waterfowl (N)			X			
Fecal Coliform	Wildlife other than Waterfowl (N)			X			

Recommendations

2022 Recommendations
ALU: Conduct fish population sampling in the Palmer River downstream of Providence Street. Additional sampling for pH and primary producers (chlorophyll a) is recommended, to better evaluate a possible nutrient enrichment problem for this estuarine Palmer River AU (MA53-05). Also keep an eye on pH because this was found to be quite low at times and consider a way to assess the low flow concerns (due to water withdrawal from Shad Factory Pond), are they still an issue? How does the fish population look downstream of Providence Street? That could give us a much better idea of the Aquatic Life Use is supported.

Designated Use Attainment Decisions

Fish, other Aquatic Life and Wildlife

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Fully Supporting	YES
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
<p>EPA conducted discrete water quality monitoring along this estuarine Palmer River AU (MA53-05) from up to downstream as follows: at the Reed St. Bridge (EPA_PM31), Providence St. (EPA_PM30), and just upstream of the confluence with Rocky Run (EPA_PM44). Sampling was conducted once or twice in 2012-2013 and typically monthly (for some parameters) in 2016-2019. The data was limited, though sometimes indicative of poor water quality (a summary incorporating data from all three stations follows): max temperature 29.4°C (n=45). A minimum DO of 5.5mg/L (n=7) and a pH range of 5.9-7.8SU (n=7), three times measuring <6.5SU and once <6.0SU. The seasonal average total nitrogen concentrations ranged 0.4-1.0mg/L (5-day averages n=60). According to CALM guidance (MassDEP 2022), total nitrogen >0.5mg/L is indicative of moderately-severely degraded health for the system. However, there are no primary producer data to clarify the existence of a nutrient enrichment problem for this AU. Total ammonia-nitrogen ranged 0.7-0.16 mg/L (n=26), but its potential toxicity could not be calculated due to a lack of date specific pH and salinity data. The Aquatic Life Use for Palmer River (MA53-05) is assessed as Fully Supporting based on the EPA water quality data. An Alert will be issued due to the elevated total nitrogen concentrations consistently observed throughout the AU and for the incidences of low pH at Providence St and Reed St. The alert for low flow (inter-basin transfer of water out of Shad Factory Pond (Segment MA53-04) to Kickemuit Reservoir in Warren, RI, where it is used by the Bristol County Water Authority) is also being carried forward.</p>	

Monitoring Stations

Station Code	Organization	Type	Water Body	Station Description	Latitude	Longitude
W0633	MassDEP	Water Quality	Palmer River	[upstream/north at Providence Street, Rehoboth]	41.800469	-71.272793
W2486	MassDEP	Water Quality	Palmer River	[approximately 1600 feet upstream (north) of Providence Street, Rehoboth (in the downstream end of the oxbow)]	41.803718	-71.272594

Station Code	Organization	Type	Water Body	Station Description	Latitude	Longitude
EPA_PM30	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Palmer River	Mainstem Palmer River @ Providence Street, Rehoboth	41.800378	-71.272824
EPA_PM31	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Palmer River	Mainstem Palmer River @ Reed St Bridge, downstream of dam, Rehoboth	41.80917	-71.278281
EPA_PM44	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Palmer River	Mainstem Palmer River just upstream confluence Rocky Run, Rehoboth	41.783752	-71.276089

Biological Monitoring Information

Habitat and Flow Data (anthropogenic alterations)

EPA Discrete Total Suspended Solids Data (2016-2019). (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	TSS Count	TSS Max (mg/L)	TSS Avg (mg/L)	TSS Count >25
EPA_PM30	04/19/16	11/09/16	8	9.8	3.9	0

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	TSS Count	TSS Max (mg/L)	TSS Avg (mg/L)	TSS Count >25
EPA_PM30	04/20/17	11/14/17	8	3.5	2.9	0
EPA_PM30	04/24/18	11/05/18	8	6.3	3	0
EPA_PM30	05/13/19	11/06/19	6	8	4.7	0
EPA_PM31	04/19/16	11/09/16	8	6	3.7	0
EPA_PM31	04/20/17	11/14/17	8	15	4.5	0
EPA_PM31	04/24/18	11/05/18	8	24	6.9	0
EPA_PM31	05/13/19	11/06/19	6	6	3.8	0
EPA_PM44	04/19/16	11/09/16	8	45	13.5	1
EPA_PM44	04/20/17	11/14/17	8	11	4.9	0
EPA_PM44	04/24/18	11/05/18	8	22	7.1	0
EPA_PM44	04/29/19	11/06/19	8	7.5	4.6	0

Physico-chemical Water Quality Information

DO, pH, Temperature

EPA Estuarine Discrete Dissolved Oxygen Data (2012-2013). (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	DO Count	DO Min (mg/L)	DO Avg (mg/L)	% Meas. <5.0	% Meas. <4.0
EPA_PM30	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	7.7	7.7	0	0
EPA_PM30	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	5.0	7.2	0	0
EPA_PM31	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	8.2	8.2	0	0
EPA_PM31	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	5.9	7.8	0	0
EPA_PM44	07/09/13	07/09/13	1	5.5	5.5	0	0

EPA Estuarine Discrete Temperature Data (2012, 2013 & 2016-2019). (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)

[Summer Index is June 1 – Sept 15]

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	Temp Count	Index Count	Temp Max (°C)	Temp Avg (°C)	Count >29.4
EPA_PM30	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	0	12.8	12.8	0
EPA_PM30	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	1	26.0	20.6	0
EPA_PM30	04/19/16	11/09/16	8	4	25.5	16.2	0
EPA_PM30	04/20/17	11/14/17	8	4	22.1	16.4	0
EPA_PM30	04/24/18	11/05/18	8	3	24.7	16.1	0
EPA_PM30	04/29/19	11/06/19	8	3	22.6	15.6	0
EPA_PM31	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	0	14.0	14.0	0
EPA_PM31	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	1	25.3	20.5	0
EPA_PM31	04/19/16	11/09/16	8	4	26.3	17.2	0
EPA_PM31	04/20/17	11/14/17	8	4	22.3	16.7	0
EPA_PM31	04/24/18	11/05/18	8	3	24.2	16.2	0
EPA_PM31	04/29/19	11/06/19	8	3	22.6	15.9	0
EPA_PM44	07/09/13	07/09/13	1	1	28.4	28.4	0
EPA_PM44	04/19/16	11/09/16	8	4	29.4	17.8	0

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	Temp Count	Index Count	Temp Max (°C)	Temp Avg (°C)	Count >29.4
EPA_PM44	04/20/17	11/14/17	8	4	24.4	17.6	0
EPA_PM44	04/24/18	11/05/18	8	3	28.0	17.3	0
EPA_PM44	04/29/19	11/06/19	8	3	25.3	17.1	0

EPA Discrete pH Data (2012-2013). (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	pH Count	pH Min (SU)	pH Max (SU)	pH Count <6.5 or >8.3	pH Count <6.0 or >8.8
EPA_PM30	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	7.7	7.7	0	0
EPA_PM30	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	5.9	7.6	1	1
EPA_PM31	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	6.3	6.3	1	0
EPA_PM31	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	6.0	7.8	1	0
EPA_PM44	07/09/13	07/09/13	1	6.7	6.7	0	0

Nutrients (Primary Producer Screening, Physico-chemical Screening)

MassDEP Nutrient Enrichment Indicator Data (2011-2018). (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

[Summer seasonal total phosphorus data collected May-Sept]

Station Code	Data Year	Seasonal TP Count	Seasonal TP Min (mg/L)	Seasonal TP Max (mg/L)	Seasonal TP Avg (mg/L)	Delta DO Max (mg/L)	Delta DO Avg (mg/L)	DO Sat Max (%)	pH Max (SU)	Count Algal Obsv.	Dense/V. Dense Film/Fila. Algae
W0633	2014	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	1	0
W0633	2016	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	1	0
W2486	2014	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	2	0

EPA Summer Seasonal Total Nitrogen Data (2016-2019). (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)

[Total nitrogen data collected May-Sept]

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	Seasonal TN Count	Seasonal TN Min (mg/L)	Seasonal TN Max (mg/L)	Seasonal TN Avg (mg/L)
EPA_PM30	05/17/16	09/13/16	5	0.6	1.7	1.0
EPA_PM30	05/31/17	09/14/17	5	0.6	0.7	0.6
EPA_PM30	05/09/18	09/19/18	5	0.5	0.6	0.6
EPA_PM30	05/13/19	09/24/19	5	0.5	0.7	0.6
EPA_PM31	05/17/16	09/13/16	5	0.3	0.7	0.4
EPA_PM31	05/31/17	09/14/17	5	0.4	0.5	0.5
EPA_PM31	05/09/18	09/19/18	5	0.3	0.5	0.4
EPA_PM31	05/13/19	09/24/19	5	0.3	0.5	0.4
EPA_PM44	05/17/16	09/13/16	5	0.5	1.0	0.8
EPA_PM44	05/31/17	09/14/17	5	0.5	0.7	0.6
EPA_PM44	05/09/18	09/19/18	5	0.6	1.1	0.7
EPA_PM44	05/13/19	09/24/19	5	0.6	0.7	0.6

Toxics and other pollutants (metals, ammonia, chlorine)

EPA Estuarine Total Ammonia Nitrogen (TAN) Data (2017 & 2019). (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)

[TAN= NH₃ + NH₄⁺]

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	TAN Count	TAN Min (mg/L)	TAN Max (mg/L)	TAN Avg (mg/L)
EPA_PM30	11/14/17	11/14/17	1	0.08	0.08	0.08
EPA_PM30	04/29/19	11/06/19	7	0.07	0.13	0.09
EPA_PM31	11/14/17	11/14/17	1	0.08	0.08	0.08
EPA_PM31	04/29/19	11/06/19	8	0.07	0.16	0.09
EPA_PM44	11/14/17	11/14/17	1	0.16	0.16	0.16
EPA_PM44	04/29/19	11/06/19	8	0.07	0.11	0.08

Fish Consumption

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Not Assessed	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
No site-specific fish consumption advisory has been issued by DPH; therefore, the Fish Consumption Use for this Palmer River AU (MA53-05) is Not Assessed.	

Shellfish Harvesting

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Not Supporting	YES
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
Palmer River (MA53-05): The total of all shellfish growing area classifications (Bettencourt August 25, 2021) within this AU is 0.0419 sq mi (46%). The sum of the approved, conditionally approved, and restricted shellfish growing areas represents 0 sq mi (0%). The prohibited shellfish growing area represents 0.0419 sq mi (46%). There is insufficient information available to assess the Shellfish Harvesting Use because the growing areas within this AU are classified as either entirely prohibited or a combination of prohibited and approved, conditionally approved, and/or restricted. Alert due to prohibited area >= 0.0001 sq mi. There is insufficient information available to delist the existing Fecal Coliform impairment, so the Shellfish Harvesting Use is evaluated as not supporting.	

Shellfish Growing Area Classifications

MassDFG-Division of Marine Fisheries Shellfish Growing Area Classification Data (Bettencourt August 25, 2021) (MassDEP Undated 6)

Area Name	Waterbody/Area Description	Classification	Area (Sq. Mi.)	Area (% of AU)
MHB5.0	Palmer River	Prohibited	0.04191	46.3%

Aesthetic

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Fully Supporting	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	

MassDEP staff recorded aesthetics observations at six sites along this Palmer River AU (MA53-05) in Rehoboth from up to downstream stations (data years) as follows: ~3060 feet upstream of Providence Street (W2485) (2014); ~1600 feet upstream Providence Street (in the downstream end of the oxbow) (W2486) (2014); ~1460 feet upstream Providence Street (W2487) (2014); ~1050 feet upstream Providence Street (W2488) (2014); upstream Providence Street (W0633) (2016) and from the eastern shore just upstream of the confluence with Rocky Run (west of Mason Street) (W2443)(2013). There were generally no noted objectionable conditions (odors, deposits, growths, or turbidity) recorded by DWM-WPP field sampling crews at any of these sites during the surveys at these stations. The Aesthetics Use for this Palmer River AU (MA53-05) is assessed as Fully Supporting based on the lack of objectionable conditions at any of the sites sampled by MassDEP staff in 2013, 2014, or 2016 .

Monitoring Stations

Station Code	Organization	Type	Water Body	Station Description	Latitude	Longitude
W0633	MassDEP	Water Quality	Palmer River	[upstream/north at Providence Street, Rehoboth]	41.800469	-71.272793
W2443	MassDEP	Water Quality	Palmer River	[from the eastern shore just upstream of the confluence with Rocky Run (west of Mason Street), Rehoboth]	41.783732	-71.276178
W2485	MassDEP	Water Quality	Palmer River	[approximately 3060 feet upstream (north) of Providence Street, Rehoboth]	41.805564	-71.274192
W2486	MassDEP	Water Quality	Palmer River	[approximately 1600 feet upstream (north) of Providence Street, Rehoboth (in the downstream end of the oxbow)]	41.803718	-71.272594
W2487	MassDEP	Water Quality	Palmer River	[approximately 1460 feet upstream (north) of Providence Street, Rehoboth]	41.803430	-71.272970
W2488	MassDEP	Water Quality	Palmer River	[approximately 1050 feet upstream (north) of Providence Street, Rehoboth]	41.802400	-71.273220

Aesthetic Observations

Aesthetics Summary Statements for MassDEP Stations (2011-2018) (MassDEP Undated 5)

Station Code	Waterbody	Data Year	Field Sheet Count	Aesthetics Summary Statement
W0633	Palmer River	2014	2	There are insufficient data available to assess the Aesthetics Use for the Palmer River. There were generally no noted objectionable conditions (odors, deposits, growths, or turbidity) recorded by DEP staff at station W0633 during summer 2014 or 2016, however, data were limited (n=2 & 1 respectively).
W0633	Palmer River	2016	1	There are insufficient data available to assess the Aesthetics Use for the Palmer River. There were generally no noted objectionable conditions (odors, deposits, growths, or turbidity) recorded by DEP staff at station W0633 during summer 2014 or 2016, however, data were limited (n=2 & 1 respectively).
W2443	Palmer River	2013	2	MassDEP aesthetics observations for station W2443 on Palmer River can be summarized as follows: there were generally no noted objectionable conditions (odors, deposits, growths, or turbidity) recorded by DEP field sampling crews during summer 2013. However, there is insufficient information to assess the Aesthetics Use since data were limited (n=2).

Station Code	Waterbody	Data Year	Field Sheet Count	Aesthetics Summary Statement
W2485	Palmer River	2014	1	MassDEP aesthetics observations for station W2485 on Palmer River can be summarized as follows: there were generally no noted objectionable conditions (odors, deposits, growths, or turbidity) recorded by DEP field sampling crews during summer 2014. However, there is insufficient information to assess the Aesthetics Use since data were limited (n=1).
W2486	Palmer River	2014	2	MassDEP aesthetics observations for station W2486 on Palmer River can be summarized as follows: there were generally no noted objectionable conditions (odors, deposits, growths, or turbidity) recorded by DEP field sampling crews during summer 2014. However, there is insufficient information to assess the Aesthetics Use since data were limited (n=2).
W2487	Palmer River	2014	2	MassDEP aesthetics observations for station W2487 on Palmer River can be summarized as follows: there were generally no noted objectionable conditions (odors, deposits, growths, or turbidity) recorded by DEP field sampling crews during summer 2014. However, there is insufficient information to assess the Aesthetics Use since data were limited (n=2).
W2488	Palmer River	2014	2	MassDEP aesthetics observations for station W2488 on Palmer River can be summarized as follows: there were generally no noted objectionable conditions (odors, deposits, growths, or turbidity) recorded by DEP field sampling crews during summer 2014. However, there is insufficient information to assess the Aesthetics Use since data were limited (n=2).

Observations of Filamentous/Film Algae at MassDEP Stations (2011-2018) (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

Station Code	Data Year	Field Sheet Count	Field Sheet Count w/ Film & Filamentous Algae Observations	Dense/ Very Dense Film/ Filamentous Algae
W0633	2014	2	1	0
W0633	2016	1	1	0
W2443	2013	2	0	0
W2485	2014	1	0	0
W2486	2014	2	2	0
W2487	2014	2	0	0
W2488	2014	2	0	0

MassDEP Aesthetics Observations (2011-2018) (MassDEP Undated 8)

Station Code	Waterbody	Data Year	Parameter	Result	Result Count	Total Field Sheet Count
W0633	Palmer River	2014	Color	None	2	2
W0633	Palmer River	2014	Objectionable Deposits	Not Applicable (N/A)	2	2
W0633	Palmer River	2014	Odor	None	2	2
W0633	Palmer River	2014	Scum	Not Applicable (N/A)	2	2
W0633	Palmer River	2014	Turbidity	Slightly Turbid	2	2
W0633	Palmer River	2016	Color	None	1	1
W0633	Palmer River	2016	Objectionable Deposits	Not Applicable (N/A)	1	1
W0633	Palmer River	2016	Odor	None	1	1
W0633	Palmer River	2016	Scum	Not Applicable (N/A)	1	1

Station Code	Waterbody	Data Year	Parameter	Result	Result Count	Total Field Sheet Count
W0633	Palmer River	2016	Turbidity	Slightly Turbid	1	1
W2443	Palmer River	2013	Color	Light Yellow/Tan	1	2
W2443	Palmer River	2013	Color	None	1	2
W2443	Palmer River	2013	Objectionable Deposits	Not Applicable (N/A)	2	2
W2443	Palmer River	2013	Odor	None	2	2
W2443	Palmer River	2013	Scum	Not Applicable (N/A)	2	2
W2443	Palmer River	2013	Turbidity	Moderately Turbid	2	2
W2485	Palmer River	2014	Color	None	1	1
W2485	Palmer River	2014	Objectionable Deposits	Not Applicable (N/A)	1	1
W2485	Palmer River	2014	Odor	None	1	1
W2485	Palmer River	2014	Scum	Not Applicable (N/A)	1	1
W2485	Palmer River	2014	Turbidity	Moderately Turbid	1	1
W2486	Palmer River	2014	Color	None	2	2
W2486	Palmer River	2014	Objectionable Deposits	Not Applicable (N/A)	2	2
W2486	Palmer River	2014	Odor	None	2	2
W2486	Palmer River	2014	Scum	Not Applicable (N/A)	2	2
W2486	Palmer River	2014	Turbidity	Moderately Turbid	1	2
W2486	Palmer River	2014	Turbidity	Slightly Turbid	1	2
W2487	Palmer River	2014	Color	None	2	2
W2487	Palmer River	2014	Objectionable Deposits	Not Applicable (N/A)	2	2
W2487	Palmer River	2014	Odor	None	2	2
W2487	Palmer River	2014	Scum	Not Applicable (N/A)	2	2
W2487	Palmer River	2014	Turbidity	Moderately Turbid	2	2
W2488	Palmer River	2014	Color	None	2	2
W2488	Palmer River	2014	Objectionable Deposits	Not Applicable (N/A)	2	2
W2488	Palmer River	2014	Odor	None	2	2
W2488	Palmer River	2014	Scum	Not Applicable (N/A)	2	2
W2488	Palmer River	2014	Turbidity	Moderately Turbid	2	2

Primary Contact Recreation

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Not Supporting	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	

Enterococcus bacteria samples were collected (1 to 7 times per year) by EPA staff from this Palmer River AU (MA 53-15) between 2013 and 2019 at the following sampling stations (data years): Reed St Bridge (EPA_PM31), Providence Street (EPA_PM30), Mainstem Palmer River just upstream confluence Rocky Run (EPA_PM44), and under westbound I-195 (EPA_PM60). Analysis of the data (when sufficient) indicated a worsening of water quality moving downstream. Data analysis of the multi-year moderate frequency sampling data sets can be summarized as follows: At the upstream end (Reed St. Bridge EPA_PM31) 0% of intervals had GMs >35 cfu/100ml in three of the four years, 0-1 samples exceeded the 130 cfu/100ml STV in three of the four years and only 18% of the cumulative intervals had GMs >35 cfu/100ml. However, further downstream at Providence St. (EPA_PM30) and close to the confluence of Rocky Run (EPA_PM44), analysis indicated 83-100% of intervals had GMs >35 cfu/100ml in four of the sample years and 3-6 samples exceeded the 130 cfu/100ml STV in four of the sample years. MassDEP conducted BST work in 2013-2019, in support of the EPA/RIDEM/MassDEP joint effort under the "National Water Quality Initiative" (NWQI). No human source of bacteria was ever identified, though agricultural land-use was noted in the watershed and this potential source was investigated/addressed by the Mass Association of Conservation Districts in partnership with NRCS, under the NWQI from 2014-2018. The Primary Contact Recreational Use for this Palmer River AU (MA53-15) is assessed as Not Supporting because of elevated *Enterococcus* bacteria which is being added as an impairment.

Monitoring Stations

Station Code	Organization	Type	Water Body	Station Description	Latitude	Longitude
EPA_PM30	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Palmer River	Mainstem Palmer River @ Providence Street, Rehoboth	41.800378	-71.272824
EPA_PM31	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Palmer River	Mainstem Palmer River @ Reed St Bridge, downstream of dam, Rehoboth	41.80917	-71.278281
EPA_PM44	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Palmer River	Mainstem Palmer River just upstream confluence Rocky Run, Rehoboth	41.783752	-71.276089
EPA_PM60	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Palmer River	Palmer River Mainstem under westbound I-195, Rehoboth	41.779038	-71.278985

Bacteria Data

Bacteria Data Collected by MassDEP and External Data Providers 2011-2020 (90-day Interval Analysis) (EPA 2020)

(MassDEP Undated 3)

[Result units are CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml]

Station Code	Organization	Indicator	Start Date	End Date	Sample Count	Minimum Sample Result	Maximum Sample Result	Seasonal Geometric Mean
EPA_PM30	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	06/20/14	06/20/14	1	391	391	391
EPA_PM30	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	07/09/15	09/09/15	2	298	2910	931
EPA_PM30	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	04/19/16	10/12/16	7	10	651	113
EPA_PM30	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	04/20/17	10/12/17	7	30	464	137
EPA_PM30	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	04/24/18	10/18/18	7	10	2481	80
EPA_PM30	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	04/29/19	10/22/19	7	20	2143	203

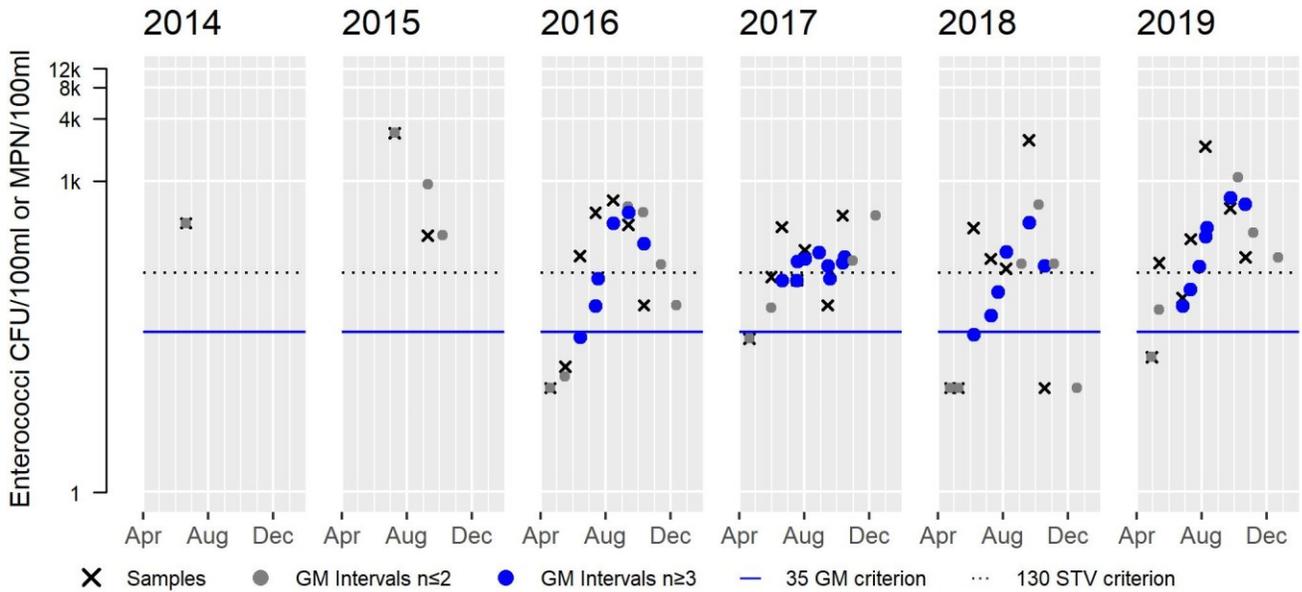
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EPA_PM31	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	07/09/15	09/09/15	2	20	120	49
EPA_PM31	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	04/19/16	10/12/16	7	2	41	9
EPA_PM31	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	04/20/17	10/12/17	7	10	85	18
EPA_PM31	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	04/24/18	10/18/18	7	10	426	67
EPA_PM31	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	04/29/19	10/22/19	5	10	144	22
EPA_PM44	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	07/09/15	09/09/15	2	2760	3650	3174
EPA_PM44	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	04/19/16	10/12/16	7	54	1842	355
EPA_PM44	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	04/20/17	10/12/17	7	31	7701	503
EPA_PM44	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	04/24/18	10/18/18	7	10	2481	120
EPA_PM44	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	04/29/19	10/22/19	7	31	2064	351
EPA_PM60	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	07/10/13	07/10/13	1	602	602	602

EPA_PM30 Enterococci (90-day Interval), Primary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res										
Samples	1	Samples	2	Samples	7	Samples	7	Samples	7	Samples	7
SeasGM	391	SeasGM	931	SeasGM	113	SeasGM	137	SeasGM	80	SeasGM	203
#GMI	0	#GMI	0	#GMI	6	#GMI	9	#GMI	6	#GMI	7
#GMI Ex	0	#GMI Ex	0	#GMI Ex	5	#GMI Ex	9	#GMI Ex	5	#GMI Ex	7
%GMI Ex	0	%GMI Ex	0	%GMI Ex	83	%GMI Ex	100	%GMI Ex	83	%GMI Ex	100
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%n>STV	100	%n>STV	100	%n>STV	57	%n>STV	43	%n>STV	57	%n>STV	71

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

Variable	Cumulative %GMI Ex (all years)	Cumulative %GMI Ex (last 5 years)
Result	93	93

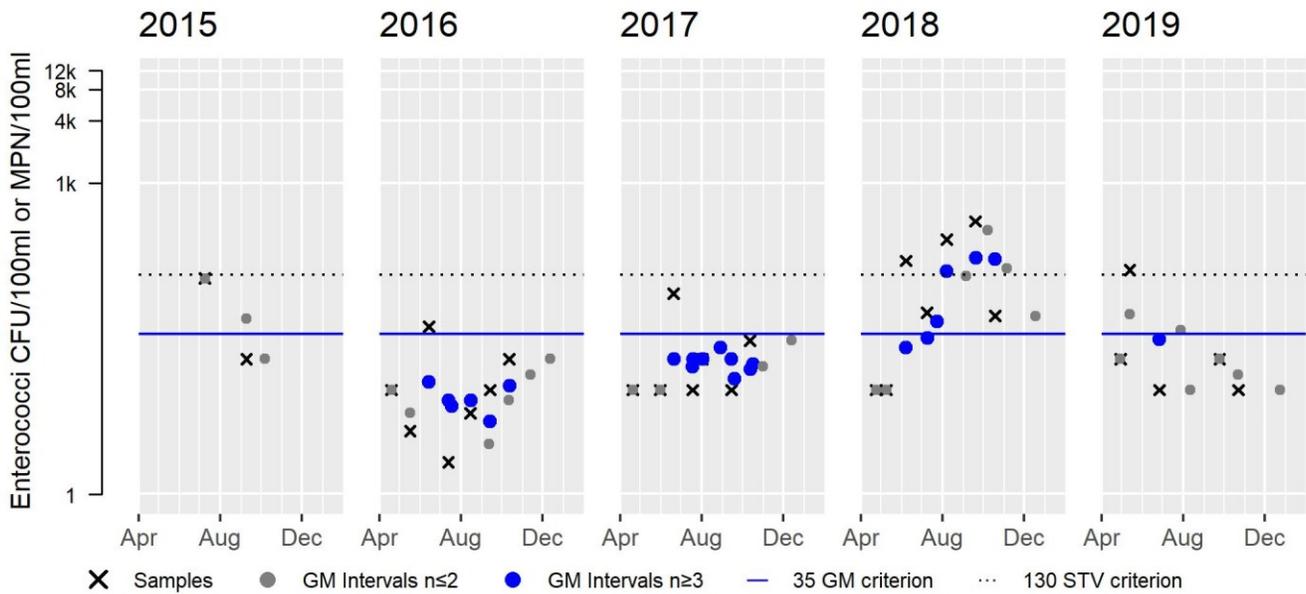


EPA_PM31 Enterococci (90-day Interval), Primary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res								
Samples	2	Samples	7	Samples	7	Samples	7	Samples	5
SeasGM	49	SeasGM	9	SeasGM	18	SeasGM	67	SeasGM	22
#GMI	0	#GMI	6	#GMI	9	#GMI	6	#GMI	1
#GMI Ex	0	#GMI Ex	0	#GMI Ex	0	#GMI Ex	4	#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0	%GMI Ex	0	%GMI Ex	0	%GMI Ex	67	%GMI Ex	0
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Variable	Cumulative %GMI Ex (all years)
Result	18

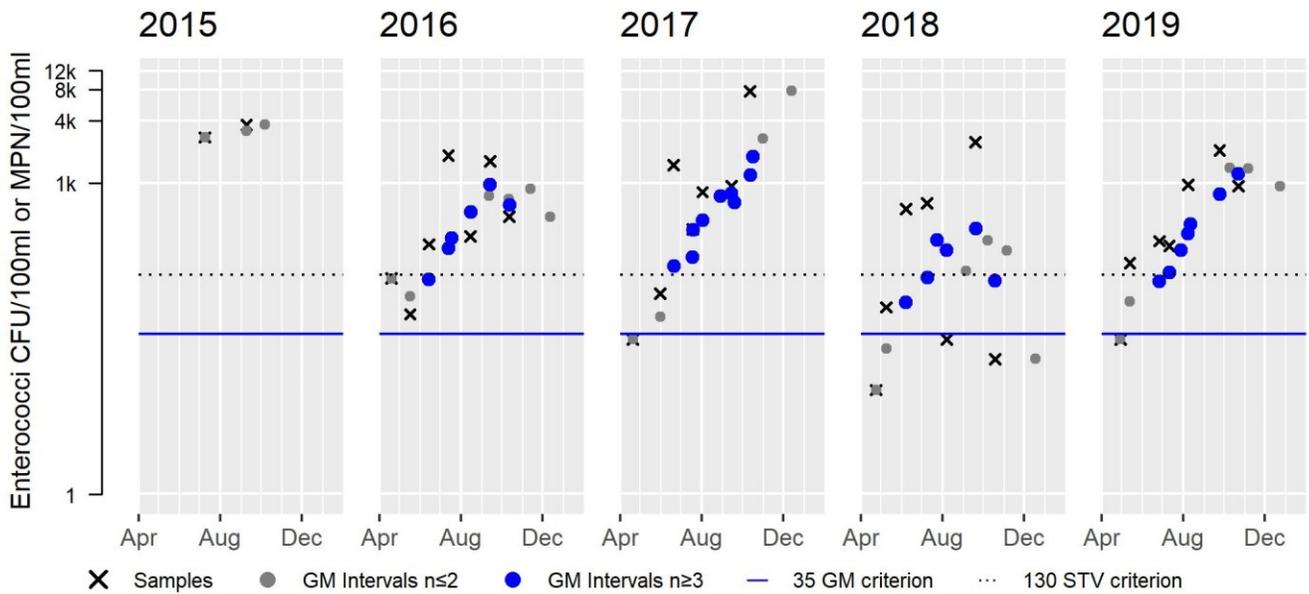


EPA_PM44 Enterococci (90-day Interval), Primary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res	Var	Res	Var	Res	Var	Res	Var	Res
Samples	2	Samples	7	Samples	7	Samples	7	Samples	7
SeasGM	3174	SeasGM	355	SeasGM	503	SeasGM	120	SeasGM	351
#GMI	0	#GMI	6	#GMI	9	#GMI	6	#GMI	7
#GMI Ex	0	#GMI Ex	6	#GMI Ex	9	#GMI Ex	6	#GMI Ex	7
%GMI Ex	0	%GMI Ex	100						
n>STV	2	n>STV	5	n>STV	5	n>STV	3	n>STV	6
%n>STV	100	%n>STV	71	%n>STV	71	%n>STV	43	%n>STV	86

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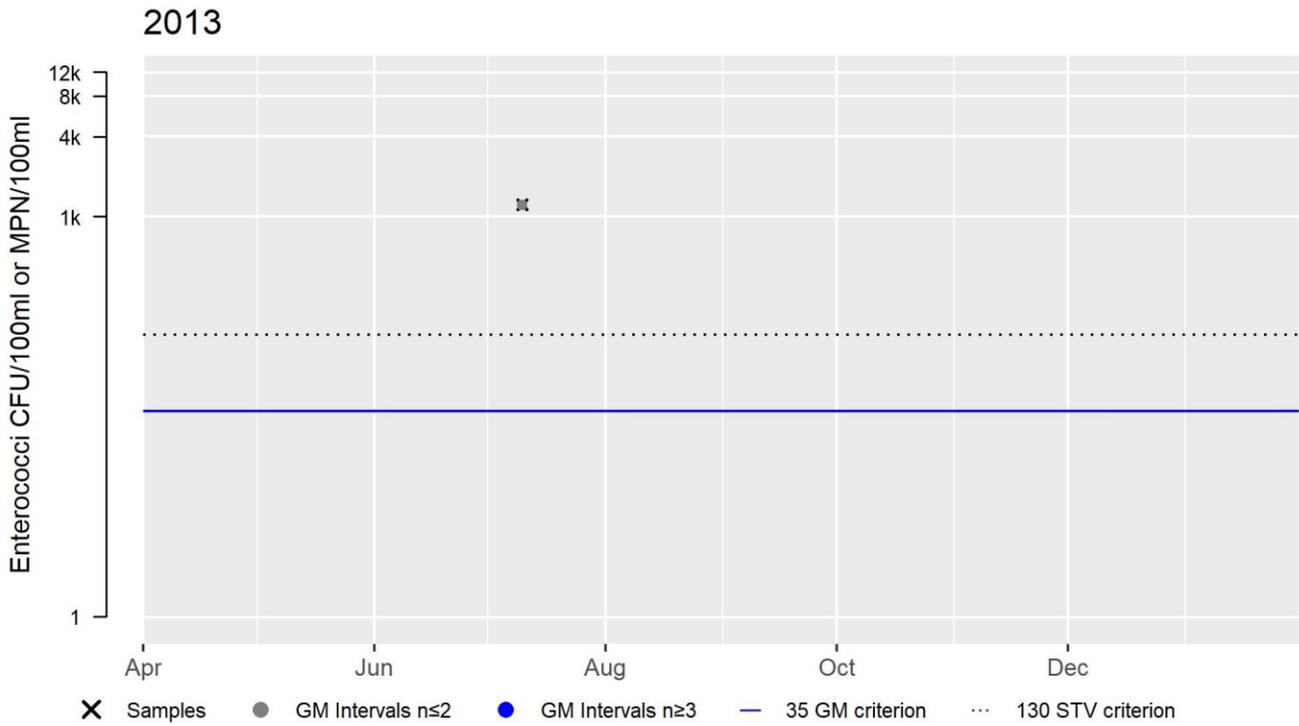
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Result	100



EPA_PM59 Enterococci (90-day Interval), Primary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	1
SeasGM	1223
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#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	1
%n>STV	100

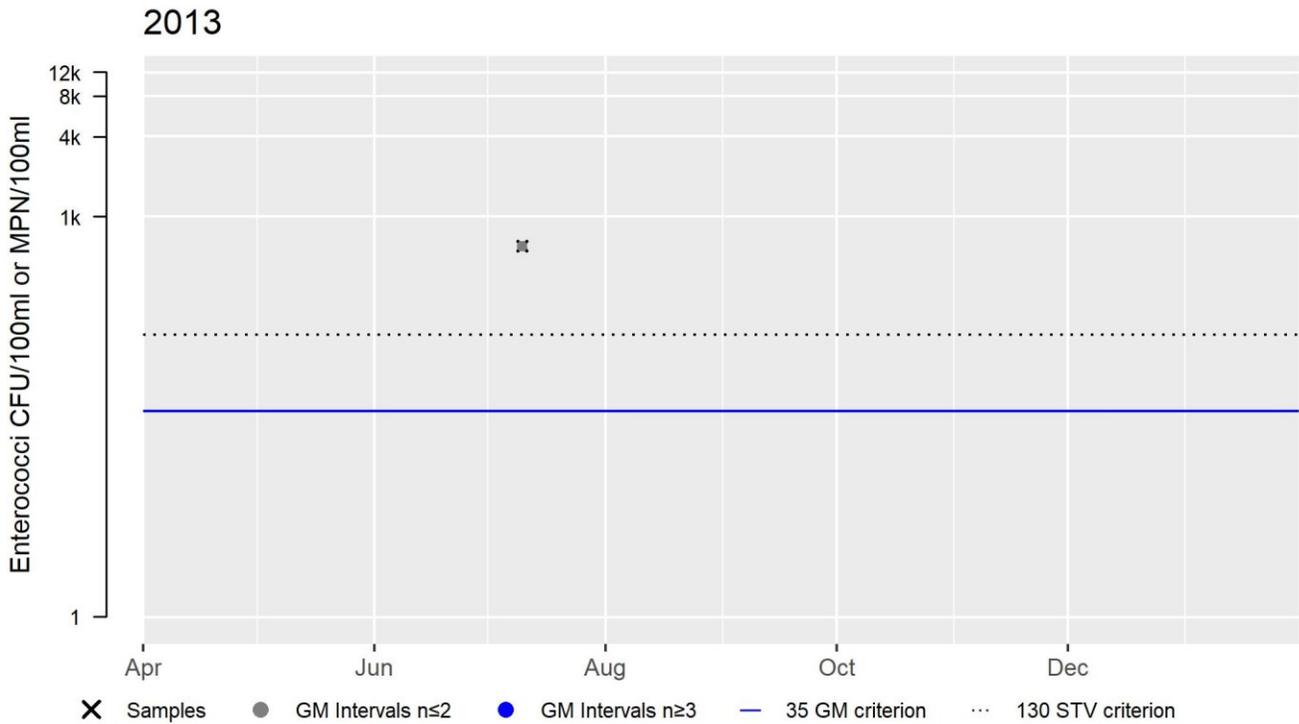
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EPA_PM60 Enterococci (90-day Interval), Primary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	1
SeasGM	602
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	1
%n>STV	100

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV



MassDEP Bacteria Source Tracking (BST) Summary Statement for 2011-2019 (MassDEP Undated 1)

Summary

BST work was conducted at 28 sites in the Palmer River AU (MA53-05) between 2013-2019, in support of the EPA/RIDEM/DEP joint effort in the Palmer River watershed (NWQI). *E. coli* counts ranged 10 to >24,196MPN and Enterococcus ranged 209 - 1,223MPN. A significant increase in *E. coli* counts was noted ~two-thirds of the way down the AU, (though upstream of the Rocky Run discharge) between sample sites upstream and downstream of a series of oxbows and drainage ditches in the saltmarsh. It was theorized that the decrease in flow through the oxbows and in the ditches may encourage proliferation of bacteria, especially combined with the copious phragmites and other saltmarsh vegetation which are known to harbor bacteria. No human source of bacteria was ever identified in the AU. Agricultural land-use was noted in the watershed and this potential source was investigated/addressed by the Mass Association of Conservation Districts (MACD) in partnership with NRCS, under the NWQI from 2014-2018.

Shellfish Growing Area Classifications

MassDEP Summary Statement for MassDFG Shellfish Growing Area Classification Data (Bettencourt August 25, 2021) (MassDEP Undated 6)

Summary
Palmer River (MA53-05): The total of all shellfish growing area classifications (Bettencourt August 25, 2021) within this AU is 0.0419 sq mi (46%). The approved shellfish growing area represents 0 sq mi (0%). Because the total of all shellfish growing area classifications is anything less than “approved”, the Primary Contact Recreational Use cannot be assessed for 2022 using the shellfish classification data.

Secondary Contact Recreation

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Not Supporting	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
<p><i>Enterococcus</i> bacteria samples were collected (1 to 7 times per year) by EPA staff from this Palmer River AU (MA 53-15) between 2013 and 2019 at the following sampling stations (data years): Reed St Bridge (EPA_PM31), Providence Street (EPA_PM30), Mainstem Palmer River just upstream confluence Rocky Run (EPA_PM44), and under westbound I-195 (EPA_PM60). Analysis of the data (when sufficient) indicated a worsening of water quality moving downstream. Data analysis of these multi-year moderate frequency sampling data sets can be summarized as follows: At the upstream end (Reed St. Bridge EPA_PM31) 0% of intervals had GMs >175 cfu/100ml in three of the four years, only one sample exceeded the 350cfu/100ml STV in the four years, and only 7% of the cumulative intervals had GMs >175 cfu/100ml. However, further downstream at Providence St. (EPA_PM30) and close to the confluence of Rocky Run (EPA_PM44), dat analysis indicated 29-90% of intervals had GMs >175 cfu/100ml in the four moderate frequency sample years (2016-2019) and two or more samples exceeded the 350 cfu/100ml STV in three to four of the sample years. The cumulative GM exceedances >175cfu/100ml were 42 and 79% at EPA_PM30 and EPA_PM44, respectively. MassDEP conducted BST work in 2013-2019, in support of the EPA/RIDEM/MassDEP joint effort under the “National Water Quality Initiative” (NWQI). No human source of bacteria was ever identified, though agricultural land-use was noted in the watershed and this potential source was investigated/addressed by the Mass Association of Conservation Districts in partnership with NRCS, under the NWQI from 2014-2018. The Secondary Contact Recreational Use for this Palmer River AU (MA53-15) is assessed as Not Supporting because of elevated <i>Enterococcus</i> bacteria which is being added as an impairment.</p>	

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*Bacteria Data***Bacteria Data Collected by MassDEP and External Data Providers 2011-2020 (90-day Interval Analysis) (EPA 2020)**

(MassDEP Undated 3)

[Result units are CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml]

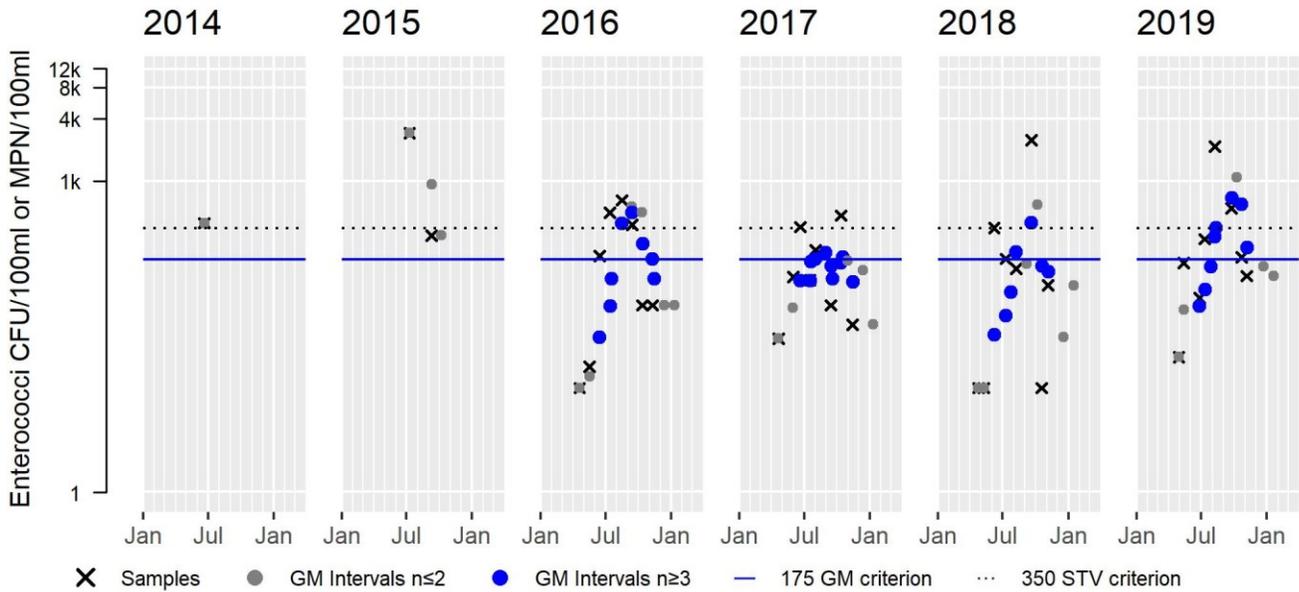
Station Code	Organization	Indicator	Start Date	End Date	Sample Count	Minimum Sample Result (CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml)	Maximum Sample Result (CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml)	Seasonal Geometric Mean (CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml)
EPA_PM30	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	06/20/14	06/20/14	1	391	391	391
EPA_PM30	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	07/09/15	09/09/15	2	298	2910	931
EPA_PM30	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	04/19/16	11/09/16	8	10	651	105
EPA_PM30	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	04/20/17	11/14/17	8	30	464	118
EPA_PM30	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	04/24/18	11/05/18	8	10	2481	82
EPA_PM30	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	04/29/19	11/06/19	8	20	2143	190
EPA_PM31	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	07/09/15	09/09/15	2	20	120	49
EPA_PM31	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	04/19/16	11/09/16	8	2	41	9
EPA_PM31	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	04/20/17	11/14/17	8	10	85	16
EPA_PM31	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	04/24/18	11/05/18	8	10	426	68
EPA_PM31	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	04/29/19	11/06/19	6	10	144	22
EPA_PM44	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	07/09/15	09/09/15	2	2760	3650	3174
EPA_PM44	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	04/19/16	11/09/16	8	54	1842	318
EPA_PM44	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	04/20/17	11/14/17	8	31	7701	503
EPA_PM44	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	04/24/18	11/05/18	8	10	2481	138
EPA_PM44	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	04/29/19	11/06/19	8	31	2064	356
EPA_PM60	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	07/10/13	07/10/13	1	602	602	602

EPA_PM30 Enterococci (90-day Interval), Secondary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res										
Samples	1	Samples	2	Samples	8	Samples	8	Samples	8	Samples	8
SeasGM	391	SeasGM	931	SeasGM	105	SeasGM	118	SeasGM	82	SeasGM	190
#GMI	0	#GMI	0	#GMI	8	#GMI	10	#GMI	7	#GMI	8
#GMI Ex	0	#GMI Ex	0	#GMI Ex	4	#GMI Ex	3	#GMI Ex	2	#GMI Ex	5
%GMI Ex	0	%GMI Ex	0	%GMI Ex	50	%GMI Ex	30	%GMI Ex	29	%GMI Ex	62
n>STV	1	n>STV	1	n>STV	3	n>STV	2	n>STV	1	n>STV	2
%n>STV	100	%n>STV	50	%n>STV	38	%n>STV	25	%n>STV	12	%n>STV	25

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

Variable	Cumulative %GMI Ex (all years)	Cumulative %GMI Ex (last 5 years)
Result	42	42

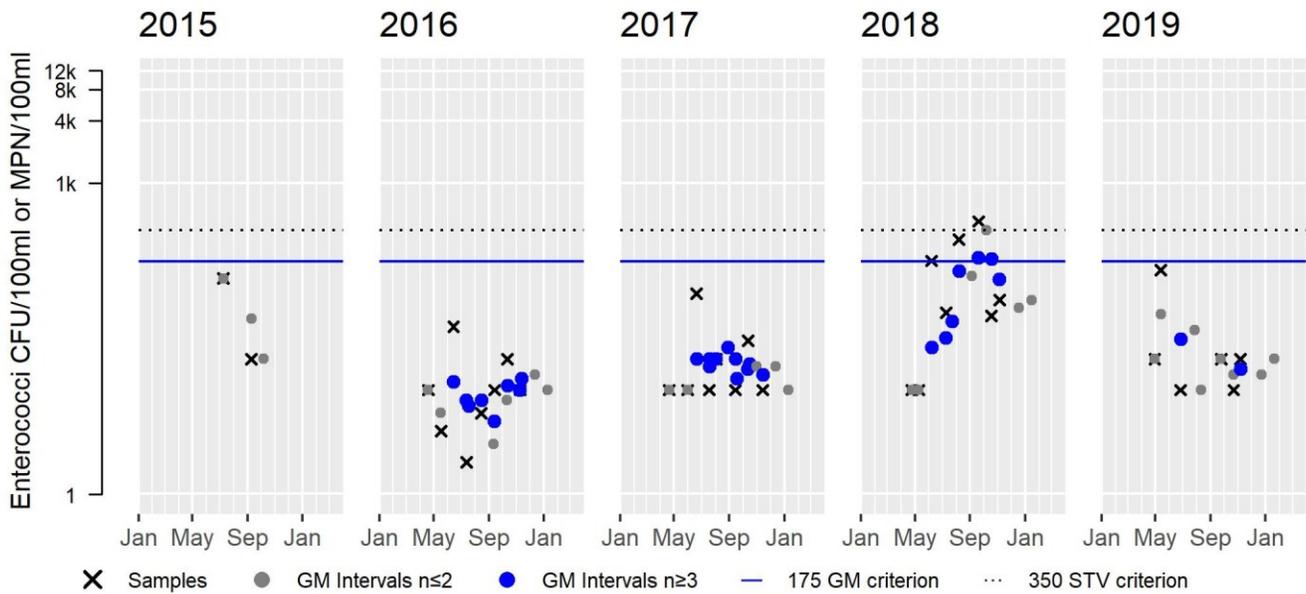


EPA_PM31 Enterococci (90-day Interval), Secondary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res								
Samples	2	Samples	8	Samples	8	Samples	8	Samples	6
SeasGM	49	SeasGM	9	SeasGM	16	SeasGM	68	SeasGM	22
#GMI	0	#GMI	8	#GMI	10	#GMI	7	#GMI	2
#GMI Ex	0	#GMI Ex	0	#GMI Ex	0	#GMI Ex	2	#GMI Ex	0
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n>STV	0	n>STV	0	n>STV	0	n>STV	1	n>STV	0
%n>STV	0	%n>STV	0	%n>STV	0	%n>STV	12	%n>STV	0

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

Variable	Cumulative %GMI Ex (all years)
Result	7

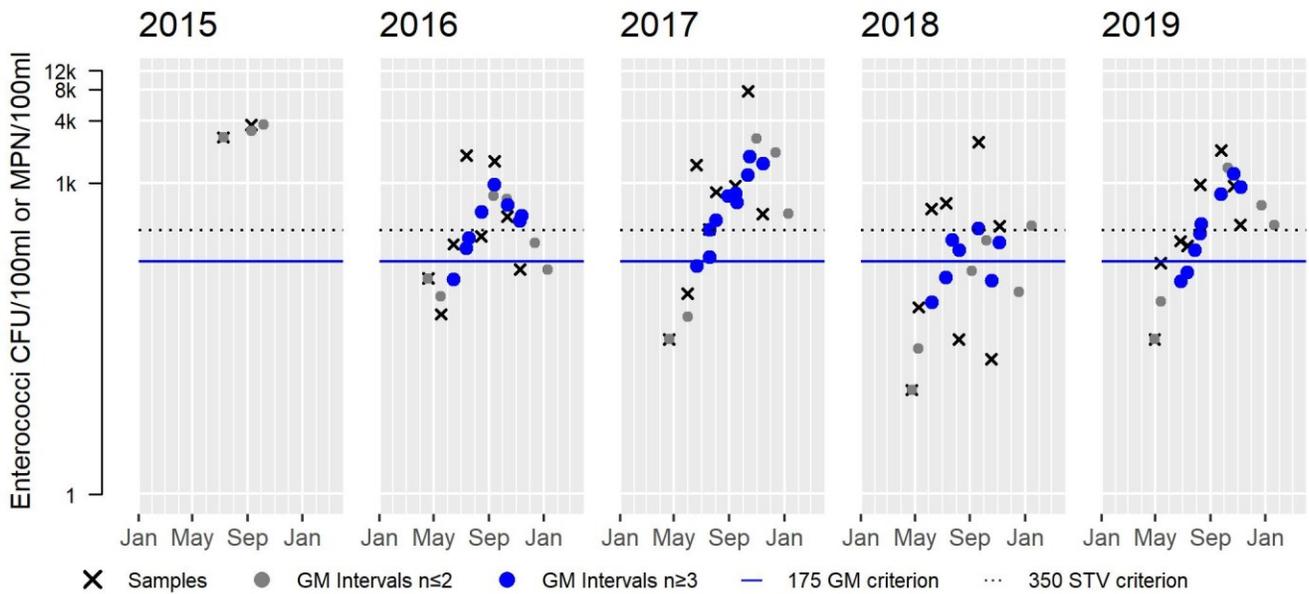


EPA_PM44 Enterococci (90-day Interval), Secondary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res	Var	Res	Var	Res	Var	Res	Var	Res
Samples	2	Samples	8	Samples	8	Samples	8	Samples	8
SeasGM	3174	SeasGM	318	SeasGM	503	SeasGM	138	SeasGM	356
#GMI	0	#GMI	8	#GMI	10	#GMI	7	#GMI	8
#GMI Ex	0	#GMI Ex	7	#GMI Ex	9	#GMI Ex	4	#GMI Ex	6
%GMI Ex	0	%GMI Ex	88	%GMI Ex	90	%GMI Ex	57	%GMI Ex	75
n>STV	2	n>STV	3	n>STV	6	n>STV	4	n>STV	4
%n>STV	100	%n>STV	38	%n>STV	75	%n>STV	50	%n>STV	50

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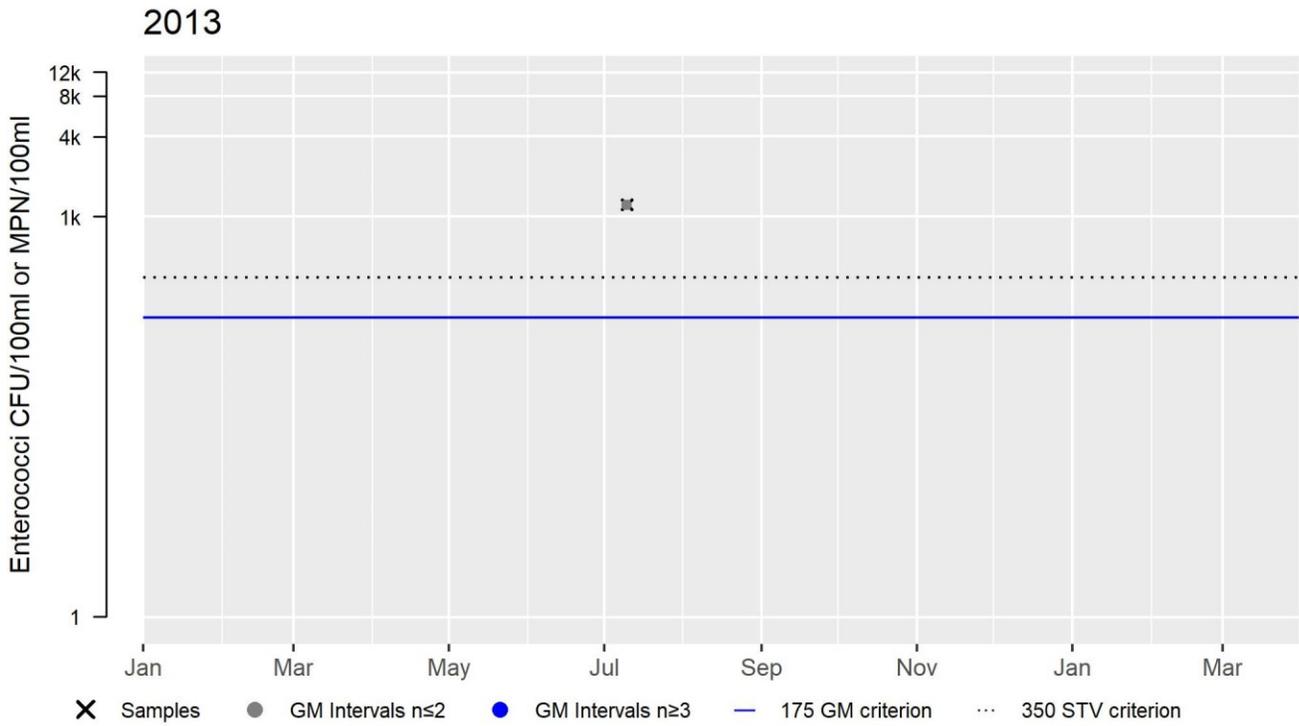
Variable	Cumulative %GMI Ex (all years)
Result	79



EPA_PM59 Enterococci (90-day Interval), Secondary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	1
SeasGM	1223
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#GMI Ex	0
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n>STV	1
%n>STV	100

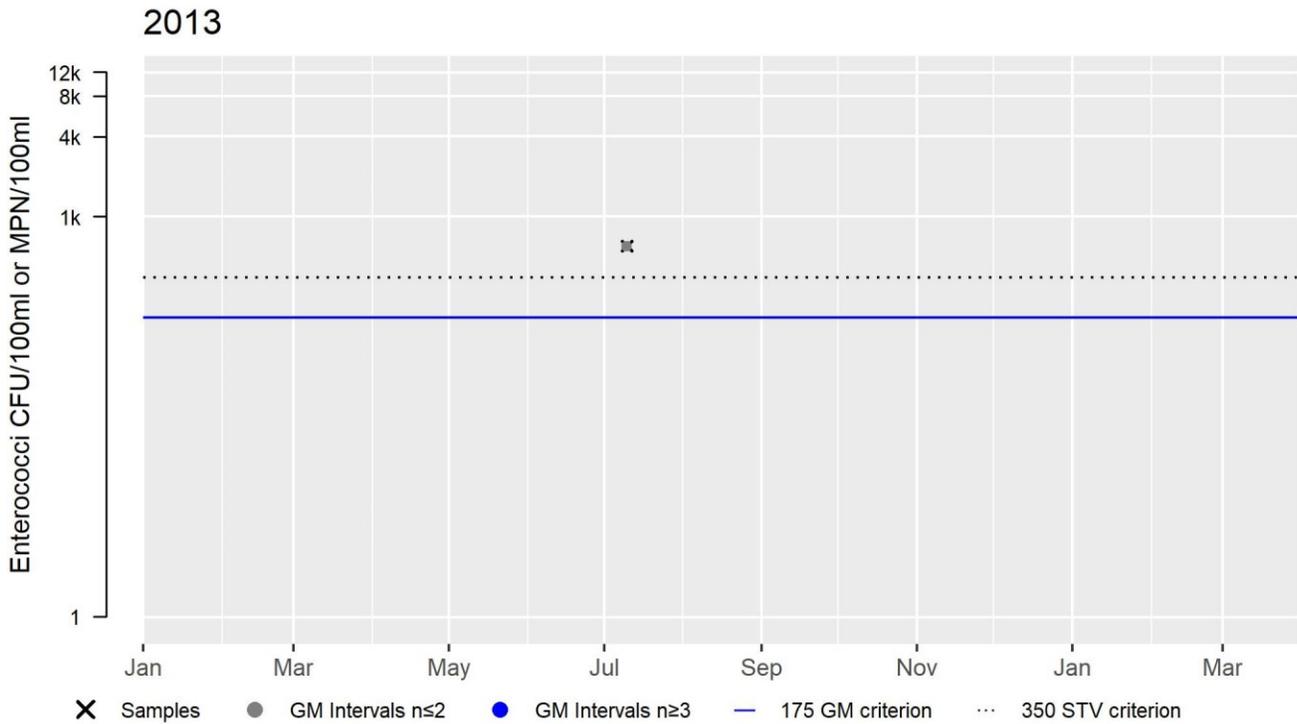
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EPA_PM60 Enterococci (90-day Interval), Secondary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	1
SeasGM	602
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	1
%n>STV	100

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV



Shellfish Growing Area Classifications

MassDEP Summary Statement for MassDFG Shellfish Growing Area Classification Data (Bettencourt August 25, 2021)
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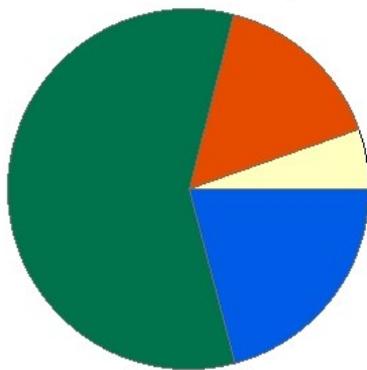
Summary
Palmer River (MA53-05): The total of all shellfish growing area classifications (Bettencourt August 25, 2021) within this AU is 0.0419 sq mi (46%). The approved shellfish growing area represents 0 sq mi (0%). Because the total of all shellfish growing area classifications is anything less than “approved”, the Secondary Contact Recreational Use cannot be assessed for 2022 using the shellfish classification data.

Palmer River (MA53-22)

Location:	Headwaters, confluence of the East and West branches of the Palmer River, Rehoboth to the inlet of Shad Factory Pond, Rehoboth (formerly part of 2014 segment: Palmer River MA53-04).
AU Type:	RIVER
AU Size:	4.8 MILES
Classification/Qualifier:	B: CWF

Palmer River - MA53-22

Watershed Area: 30.88 square miles



Percent Agriculture
 Percent Natural
 Percent Developed
 Percent Wetland

Landuse Type	Entire Basin	5km Radius Proximal Subbasin	100m Stream Buffer	Proximal Stream Buffer
Land Use Area (square miles)	30.88	9.45	8.19	3.29
Agriculture	5.4%	8.9%	6.6%	8.7%
Developed	15.6%	23.4%	13.4%	17.1%
Natural	58.2%	60.3%	52.5%	61.5%
Wetland	20.8%	7.4%	27.6%	12.7%
Impervious Cover	5.2%			

2018/20 AU Category	2022 AU Category	Impairment	ATTAINS Action ID	Impairment Change Summary
5	5	Benthic Macroinvertebrates		Added
5	5	Escherichia Coli (E. Coli)	35086	Unchanged
5	5	Fecal Coliform	35086	Unchanged
5	5	Lack of a Coldwater Assemblage		Added
5	5	Temperature		Unchanged

Impairment	Source (Confirmed Y/N)	Fish, other Aquatic Life and Wildlife	Fish Consumption	Aesthetic	Primary Contact Recreation	Secondary Contact Recreation
Benthic Macroinvertebrates	Source Unknown (N)	X				
Escherichia Coli (E. Coli)	Agriculture (Y)				X	
Escherichia Coli (E. Coli)	Discharges from Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4) (Y)				X	
Escherichia Coli (E. Coli)	Waterfowl (N)				X	
Fecal Coliform	Agriculture (Y)				X	

Impairment	Source (Confirmed Y/N)	Fish, other Aquatic Life and Wildlife	Fish Consumption	Aesthetic	Primary Contact Recreation	Secondary Contact Recreation
Fecal Coliform	Discharges from Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4) (Y)				X	
Fecal Coliform	Waterfowl (N)				X	
Lack of a Coldwater Assemblage	Source Unknown (N)	X				
Temperature	Source Unknown (N)	X				

Recommendations

2022 Recommendations
ALU: MA DFG does not identify this river as a CFR and very little fish sampling has ever been conducted (there is only one historical record in their database and only one stocked brown trout was collected). How this river was originally designated as Class B cold water in the MA SWQS is unclear and warrants further investigation. Additional clean metals sampling should be conducted to better evaluate if there is a lead contamination issue.

Designated Use Attainment Decisions

Fish, other Aquatic Life and Wildlife

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Not Supporting	YES
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
<p>MassDEP biologists sampled this Palmer River AU (MA53-22) just upstream of Danforth St., Rehoboth during the summer of 2013 as part of the MAP2 monitoring project. Survey results of this Cold Water habitat can be briefly summarized as follows: the benthic community (Station B0838) IBI score was indicative of moderately degraded conditions (46), and the fish sample collected in August 2013 (Sample ID 5052) did contain one fluvial species (tessellated darter) that comprised 19% of the sample but no cold water species were documented. The water quality data (including both deployed probe and discrete sampling efforts at Station W2380) can be summarized as follows: minimum dissolved oxygen 6.5mg/L during the three 3-5 day deploys, maximum temperature 26.1°C and exceeded the 7-DADM (designated Cold Water criteria) 63 times, with a max 24hr rolling average of 24.8°C, pH 6.5SU (n=3), no indications of any nutrient enrichment problems (seasonal average total phosphorus concentrations 0.044mg/L, max diel DO shift 0.9mg/L, maximum saturation 94.9%, maximum pH 6.5SU, and no observations of dense/very dense filamentous algae), and low concentrations of total ammonia nitrogen (maximum 0.06mg/L with no toxicity estimated), chloride (maximum 31mg/L), and low specific conductance (max 124µS/cm, n=3). There were no acute or chronic metals criteria exceedances except for lead which slightly exceeded chronic criteria (TUs 1.1 and 1.3). The Aquatic Life Use for this Palmer River AU (MA53-22) will continue to be assessed as Not Supporting. Benthic Macroinvertebrates and Lack of a Coldwater Assemblage impairments are being added based on the biological data collected in the river at Danforth St. while the temperature impairment is being carried forward. An Alert is also being identified since both clean metals samples collected in May and July 2013 exceeded chronic lead criteria.</p>	

Monitoring Stations

Station Code	Organization	Type	Water Body	Station Description	Latitude	Longitude
5052	MassDEP	Fish Community	Palmer River	830 ft US/E of Danforth St xing	41.84611	-71.26255

Station Code	Organization	Type	Water Body	Station Description	Latitude	Longitude
B0838	MassDEP	Benthic	Palmer River/	[approximately 255 meters upstream/east from Danforth Street, Rehoboth, MA]	41.846114	-71.262551
W2380	MassDEP	Water Quality	Palmer River	[approximately 830 feet upstream/east from Danforth Street, Rehoboth]	41.846114	-71.262551

Biological Monitoring Information

Benthic Macroinvertebrate Data

MassDEP Benthic Macroinvertebrate Data (2011-2017). (MassDEP Undated 4)

[Index Biological Condition Class: E= Exceptional, S= Satisfactory, MD= Moderately Degraded, SD= Severely Degraded; High Gradient IBI Thresholds: E= 100-75, S= 74-55, MD= 54-35, SD= 34-0; Low Gradient IBI Thresholds: E= 100-81, S= 80-62, MD= 61-38, SD= 37-0; R qualifier = Rarefaction (100ct) <55]

Station Code	Collection Date	Collection Method	Index Type	Organism Count	Index Score	Index Biological Condition Class
B0838	07/11/13	RBP multihab	Statewide_Low_Gradient	283	46	MD

Fish Community Data and DELTS

Fish Community Data (2012-2019) Provided by MassDFG. (MassDFG 2020) (MassDEP Undated 2)

[Sample Type: TP= Total Pickup, SP= Selective Pickup, Method: BT=Boat Shocking, BP= Backpack Shocking, BG= Barge Shocking, SE= Seine, SL= Snorkel, NS= Not Stated, MT= Minnow Trap, GN= Gillnet, FY= Fyke Net, Gradient: H = High, L = Low; I/MT MG= Intolerant/Moderately Tolerant Macrohabitat Generalist]

[Species List: AE = American Eel, B = Bluegill, CP = Chain Pickerel, LMB = Largemouth Bass, P = Pumpkinseed, RP = Redfin Pickerel, SL = Sea Lamprey, TD = Tessellated Darter]

Sample ID	Sample Date	Method	Sample Type	Gradient	Total Taxa	Total Ind	Cold Ind %	Fluvial Taxa	Fluvial Ind %	Intol Ind %	I/MT MG Taxa	I/MT MG Ind %	Notables	CFR	Species List
5052	08/20/13	NS	TP		8	112	0%	1	19%	0%	4	32%	No	No	AE, B, CP, LMB, P, RP, SL, TD,

Physico-chemical Water Quality Information

DO, pH, Temperature

MassDEP Short-term Continuous Dissolved Oxygen Data (2011-2018). (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

[Note: Most deploys 3-5 days in length; Day Count= total # of days over all deploys; XDADMin= 3-5 Day Average of the Daily Minima, XDADA= 3-5 Day Average of the Daily Average, CW= Coldwater, WW= Warmwater]

Station Code	Data Year	Deploys Count	Day Count	DO Min (mg/L)	Min XDADMin (mg/L)	Min XDADA (mg/L)	Delta DO Max (mg/L)	Count CW XDADMin <6.0	Count CW 1Day Min <5.0	Count WW Early Life Stages XDADA <6.5	Count WW Early Life Stages 1Day Min <5.0	Count WW Other Life Stages XDADMin <5.0	Count WW Other Life Stages 1Day Min <4.0
W2380	2013	3	12	6.5	6.8	7.1	0.9	0	0	0	0	0	0

MassDEP Discrete Dissolved Oxygen Data (2011-2018). (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

[CW= Coldwater, WW= Warmwater]

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	DO Count	DO Min (mg/L)	DO Avg (mg/L)	Count CW <5.0	Count WW Early Life Stages <5.0	Count WW Other Life Stages <4.0
W2380	05/08/13	09/04/13	3	7	7.3	0	0	0

MassDEP Long-term Continuous Temperature Data (Summer Index 2011-2018). (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

[Summer Index is June 1 – Sept 15; Max Daily Mean= Maximum 24-Hour Average, 7DADM= 7-Day Average of the Daily Maxima, 7DADA= 7-Day Average of the Daily Average, CW= Coldwater, WW= Warmwater Note: In the case of more than one row of data in the same year for a site, different types of temperature probes were deployed.]

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	Index Count	7day Count	Max Daily Mean (°C)	Max Temp (°C)	Max 7DADM (°C)	Max 7DADA (°C)	Count CWTier1 7DADM >20	Count CWTier1 Daily Mean >23.5	Count CWTier2 7DADA >21	Count CWTier2 Daily Mean >24.1	Count WW 7DADM >27.7	Count WW Daily Mean >28.3
W2380	06/01/13	09/03/13	95	92	24.7	26.1	25.3	24.2	63	11	30	3	0	0

MassDEP Short-term Continuous Temperature Data (Summer Index 2011-2018). (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

[Summer Index is June 1 – Sept 15; Most Deploys 3-5 Days in Length; Day Count= total # of days over all deploys; Max Daily Mean= Maximum 24-Hour Average, XDADM= 3-5 Day Average of the Daily Maxima, XDADA= 3-5 Day Average of the Daily Average, CW= Coldwater, WW= Warmwater]

Station Code	Data Year	Deploys Count	Day Count	Max Daily Mean (°C)	Max Temp (°C)	Max XDADM (°C)	Max XDADA (°C)	Count CWTier1 XDADM >20	Count CWTier1 Daily Mean >23.5	Count CWTier2 XDADA >21	Count CWTier2 Daily Mean >24.1	Count WW XDADM >27.7	Count WW Daily Mean >28.3
W2380	2013	3	12	23.7	24.9	23.1	22.2	2	1	1	0	0	0

24-hour Rolling Average Calculations for MassDEP Short- and Long-term Continuous Temperature Data (Summer Index 2011-2018). (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

[Summer Index is June 1 – Sept 15; CW= Coldwater, WW= Warmwater Note: In the case of more than one row of data in the same year for a site, different types of temperature probes were deployed.]

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	Count Days Deployed	24hr Rolling Count	Max 24hr Avg Rolling Temp (°C)	Count CWTier1 24hr Avg Rolling >23.5 °C	Count CWTier2 24hr Avg Rolling >24.1 °C	Count WW 24hr Avg Rolling >28.3°C
W2380	06/01/13	09/04/13	96	4588	24.8	497	214	0
W2380	06/06/13	08/13/13	68	579	24.0	35	0	0

MassDEP Discrete Temperature Data (2011-2018). (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

[Summer Index is June 1 – Sept 15; CW= Coldwater, WW= Warmwater]

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	Temp Count	Index Count	Temp Max (°C)	Temp Avg (°C)	Count CW >20	Count CW >22	Count WW >28.3	Count WW >30.3
W2380	05/08/13	09/04/13	5	4	24.6	21.0	2	2	0	0

MassDEP Discrete pH Data (2011-2018). (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	pH Count	pH Min (SU)	pH Max (SU)	pH Count <6.5 & >8.3	pH Count <6.0 & >8.8
W2380	05/08/13	09/04/13	3	6.5	6.5	0	0

[Nutrients \(Primary Producer Screening, Physico-chemical Screening\)](#)

MassDEP Nutrient Enrichment Indicator Data (2011-2018). (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

[Summer seasonal total phosphorus data collected May-Sept]

Station Code	Data Year	Seasonal TP Count	Seasonal TP Min (mg/L)	Seasonal TP Max (mg/L)	Seasonal TP Avg (mg/L)	Delta DO Max (mg/L)	Delta DO Avg (mg/L)	DO Sat Max (%)	pH Max (SU)	Count Algal Obsv.	Dense/V. Dense Film/Fila. Algae
W2380	2013	5	0.024	0.094	0.044	0.9	0.6	94.9	6.5	5	0

[Toxics and other pollutants \(metals, ammonia, chloride, chlorine\)](#)

MassDEP Clean Metals Water Column Data (2011-2018), Acute Criteria Violations. (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

[CMC= Criterion Maximum Concentration, TU= Toxic Unit]

Station Code	Data Year	Metals Count	As CMC TU >1	Cd CMC TU >1	Cr III CMC TU >1	Cu CMC TU >1	Pb CMC TU >1	Ni CMC TU >1	Ag CMC TU >1	Zn CMC TU >1
W2380	2013	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

MassDEP Clean Metals Water Column Data (2011-2018), Chronic Criteria Violations. (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

[CCC= Criterion Continuous Concentration, TU= Toxic Unit]

Station Code	Data Year	Metals Count	As CCC TU >1	Cd CCC TU >1	Cr III CCC TU >1	Cu CCC TU >1	Pb CCC TU >1	Ni CCC TU >1	Se CCC TU >1	Zn CCC TU >1
W2380	2013	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0

MassDEP Clean Metals Water Column Data (2011-2018), Selected TU Calculations. (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

[CMC= Criterion Maximum Concentration, CCC= Criterion Continuous Concentration, TU= Toxic Unit]

Station Code	Sample Date	Cd CMC TU	Cd CCC TU	Cu CMC TU	Cu CCC TU	Pb CMC TU	Pb CCC TU
W2380	05/06/13	0.3	0.6	0.2	0.24	0.0	1.1
W2380	07/29/13	0.2	0.4	0.2	0.25	0.1	1.3

MassDEP Dissolved Aluminum Water Column Data (2011-2018). (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

[Since only dissolved aluminum data were available, these data were compared to the default freshwater criteria for total recoverable aluminum (TRA), presented in Appendix E of MassDEP's 2022 CALM. As dissolved Al is a fraction of TRA, an exceedance count of 0 does not rule out violations of the TRA criteria. CMC= Criterion Maximum Concentration, CCC= Criterion Continuous Concentration, TU= Toxic Unit]

Station Code	Data Year	Dissolved Al Count	Al Min (mg/L)	Al Max (mg/L)	Al Avg (mg/L)	Al CMC TU Max	Al CCC TU Max	Al CMC TU >1	Al CCC TU >1
W2380	2013	2	0.069	0.088	0.079	0.2	0.4	0	0

MassDEP Total Ammonia Nitrogen (TAN) Data (2011-2018). (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

[TAN= NH3 + NH4+]

Station Code	Data Year	TAN Count	TAN Min (mg/L)	TAN Max (mg/L)	TAN Avg (mg/L)	Count TAN >Chronic	Count TAN >Acute
W2380	2013	5	0.020	0.060	0.032	0	0

MassDEP Chloride Data (2011-2018). (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

Station Code	Data Year	Chloride Count	Chloride Min (mg/L)	Chloride Max (mg/L)	Chloride Avg (mg/L)	Count Chloride >230	Count Chloride >860
W2380	2013	5	19	31	24	0	0

MassDEP Discrete Specific Conductance Data (2011-2018) Compared to Estimated Chloride Criteria. (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	SpCond Count	SpCond Min (µs/cm)	SpCond Max (µs/cm)	Count SpCond >904	Count SpCond >994	Count SpCond >3193	Count SpCond >3512	Consecutive sets >904	Consecutive sets >994
W2380	05/08/13	09/04/13	3	109	124	0	0	0	0	0	0

Fish Consumption

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Not Assessed	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
No site-specific fish consumption advisory has been issued by DPH; therefore, the Fish Consumption Use for this Palmer River AU (MA53-22) is Not Assessed.	

Aesthetic

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
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Fully Supporting	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
MassDEP staff recorded aesthetics observations ~830ft upstream of Danforth St in Rehoboth (W2380) during the summer of 2018 (n=8). There were generally no noted objectionable conditions (odors, deposits, growths, or turbidity) noted. The Aesthetics Use for this Palmer River AU (MA53-22) is assessed as Fully Supporting.	

Monitoring Stations

Station Code	Organization	Type	Water Body	Station Description	Latitude	Longitude
W2380	MassDEP	Water Quality	Palmer River	[approximately 830 feet upstream/east from Danforth Street, Rehoboth]	41.846114	-71.262551

Aesthetic Observations

Aesthetics Summary Statements for MassDEP Stations (2011-2018) (MassDEP Undated 5)

Station Code	Waterbody	Data Year	Field Sheet Count	Aesthetics Summary Statement
W2380	Palmer River	2013	8	MassDEP aesthetics observations for station W2380/MAP2-347 on Palmer River can be summarized as follows: there were generally no noted objectionable conditions (odors, deposits, growths, or turbidity) recorded by DEP field sampling crews during summer 2013.

Observations of Filamentous/Film Algae at MassDEP Stations (2011-2018) (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

Station Code	Data Year	Field Sheet Count	Field Sheet Count w/ Film & Filamentous Algae Observations	Dense/ Very Dense Film/ Filamentous Algae
W2380	2013	8	5	0

MassDEP Aesthetics Observations (2011-2018) (MassDEP Undated 8)

Station Code	Waterbody	Data Year	Parameter	Result	Result Count	Total Field Sheet Count
W2380	Palmer River	2013	Color	Light Yellow/Tan	6	8
W2380	Palmer River	2013	Color	Unobservable	2	8
W2380	Palmer River	2013	Objectionable Deposits	No	7	8
W2380	Palmer River	2013	Objectionable Deposits	Unobservable	1	8
W2380	Palmer River	2013	Odor	None	7	8
W2380	Palmer River	2013	Odor	NR	1	8
W2380	Palmer River	2013	Scum	No	7	8
W2380	Palmer River	2013	Scum	Yes	1	8
W2380	Palmer River	2013	Turbidity	Moderately Turbid	1	8
W2380	Palmer River	2013	Turbidity	None	4	8
W2380	Palmer River	2013	Turbidity	Slightly Turbid	2	8
W2380	Palmer River	2013	Turbidity	Unobservable	1	8

Primary Contact Recreation

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Not Supporting	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
<p><i>E. coli</i> bacteria samples were collected by MassDEP staff in this Palmer River AU (MA53-22) ~830 feet upstream from Danforth Street, Rehoboth (W2380) between May and September 2013 (n=5). Data analysis indicated 100% of the intervals had GMs >126 cfu/100ml, and two of the samples exceeded the 410 cfu/100ml STV. The seasonal GM was 427cfu/100ml. Since the <i>E. coli</i> concentrations exceeded the use attainment impairment thresholds for this single-year limited frequency dataset, the Primary Contact Recreational Use for this Palmer River AU (MA53-22) will continue to be assessed as Not Supporting with the <i>E. coli</i> and Fecal Coliform impairments being carried forward.</p>	

Monitoring Stations

Station Code	Organization	Type	Water Body	Station Description	Latitude	Longitude
W2380	MassDEP	Water Quality	Palmer River	[approximately 830 feet upstream/east from Danforth Street, Rehoboth]	41.846114	-71.262551

Bacteria Data

Bacteria Data Collected by MassDEP and External Data Providers 2011-2020 (90-day Interval Analysis) (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

[Result units are CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml]

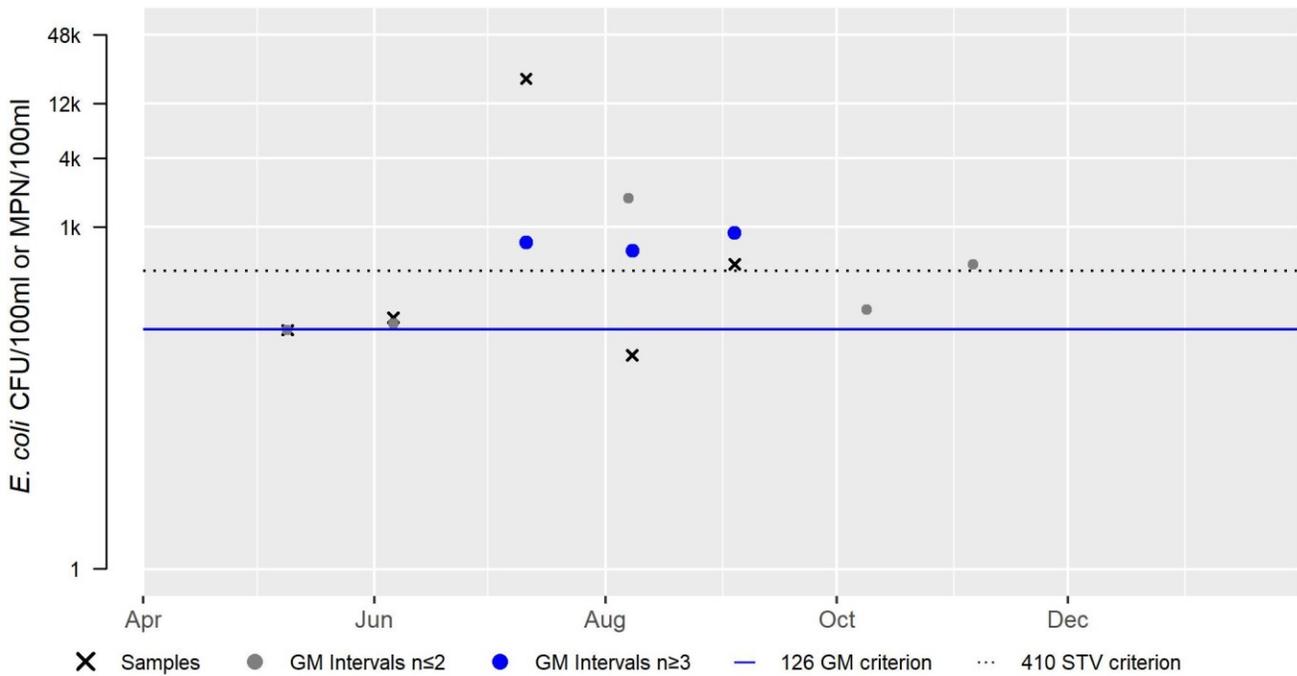
Station Code	Organization	Indicator	Start Date	End Date	Sample Count	Minimum Sample Result	Maximum Sample Result	Seasonal Geometric Mean
W2380	MassDEP	<i>E. coli</i>	05/09/13	09/04/13	5	75	19860	427

W2380 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Primary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	5
SeasGM	427
#GMI	3
#GMI Ex	3
%GMI Ex	100
n>STV	2
%n>STV	40

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

2013



MassDEP Bacteria Source Tracking (BST) Summary Statement for 2011-2019 (MassDEP Undated 1)

Summary

BST work was conducted in 2014 and 2015 on an unnamed tributary discharging to the upstream half of the Palmer River AU (MA53-22). Two sites were sampled on the tributary (at River Street and Colonial Way), with *E. coli* counts ranging 44 to 1,986MPN. Potential agricultural sources of bacteria were observed in this area and human sources were ruled out.

Secondary Contact Recreation

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Fully Supporting	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	

E. coli bacteria data were collected by MassDEP staff in this Palmer River AU (MA53-22) ~830 feet upstream from Danforth Street, Rehoboth (W2380) between May and September 2013 (n=5). Data analysis indicated 67% of intervals had GMs >630 cfu/100ml, and one sample exceeded the 1260 cfu/100ml STV. The seasonal GM was 427cfu/100ml. Since the *E. coli* concentrations were below the use attainment impairment thresholds for this single-year limited frequency dataset, the Secondary Contact Recreational Use for this Palmer River AU (MA53-22) will continue to be assessed as Fully Supporting.

Monitoring Stations

Station Code	Organization	Type	Water Body	Station Description	Latitude	Longitude
W2380	MassDEP	Water Quality	Palmer River	[approximately 830 feet upstream/east from Danforth Street, Rehoboth]	41.846114	-71.262551

Bacteria Data

Bacteria Data Collected by MassDEP and External Data Providers 2011-2020 (90-day Interval Analysis) (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

[Result units are CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml]

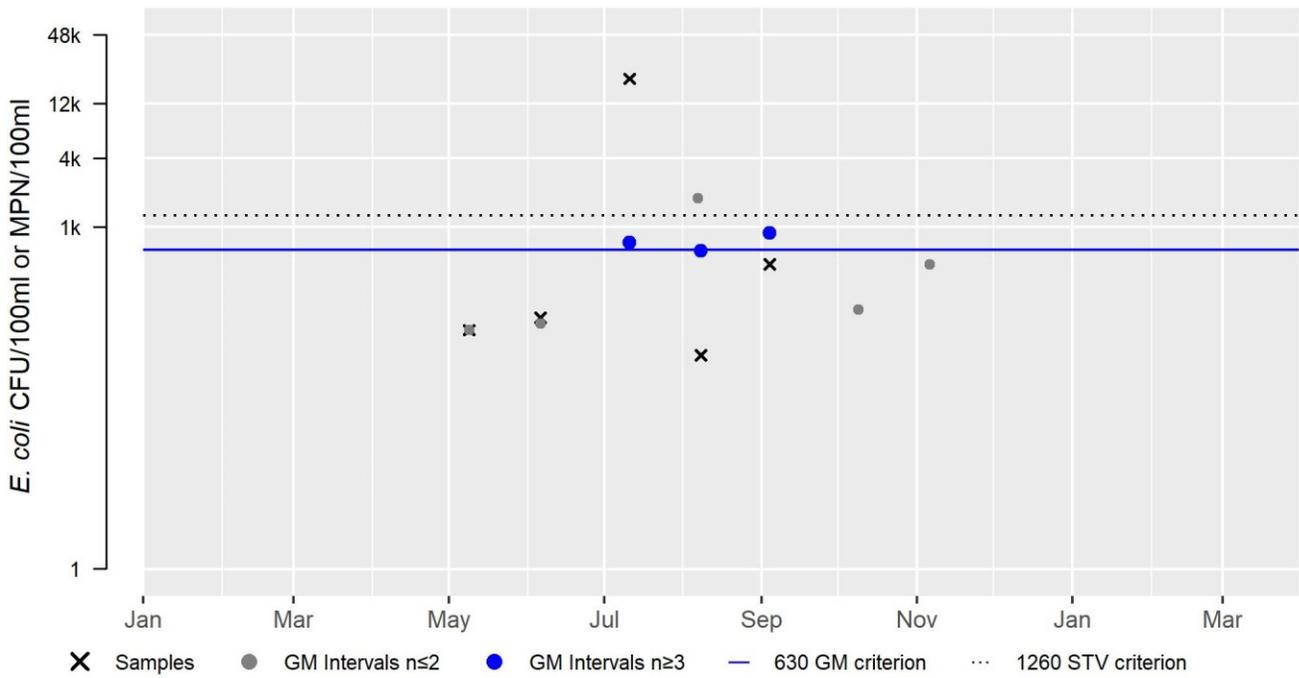
Station Code	Organization	Indicator	Start Date	End Date	Sample Count	Minimum Sample Result (CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml)	Maximum Sample Result (CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml)	Seasonal Geometric Mean (CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml)
W2380	MassDEP	<i>E. coli</i>	05/09/13	09/04/13	5	75	19860	427

W2380 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Secondary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	5
SeasGM	427
#GMI	3
#GMI Ex	2
%GMI Ex	67
n>STV	1
%n>STV	20

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

2013

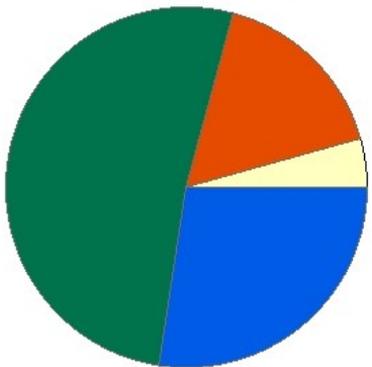


Rocky Run (MA53-16)

Location:	Headwaters in wetland east of Simmons Street, Rehoboth to approximately 0.1 mile east of Mason Street, Rehoboth (prior to 2010 this segment included estuarine portion).
AU Type:	RIVER
AU Size:	8.6 MILES
Classification/Qualifier:	B

Rocky Run - MA53-16

Watershed Area: 10.42 square miles



Percent Agriculture
 Percent Natural
 Percent Developed
 Percent Wetland

Landuse Type	Entire Basin	5km Radius Proximal Subbasin	100m Stream Buffer	Proximal Stream Buffer
Land Use Area (square miles)	10.42	6.39	2.56	1.96
Agriculture	4.4%	6.1%	5.1%	6.2%
Developed	16.4%	20.9%	10.1%	10.9%
Natural	51.8%	52.8%	44.2%	45.6%
Wetland	27.4%	20.2%	40.6%	37.3%
Impervious Cover	5.3%			

2018/20 AU Category	2022 AU Category	Impairment	ATTAINS Action ID	Impairment Change Summary
4a	5	Enterococcus		Added
4a	5	Escherichia Coli (E. Coli)	35096	Unchanged
4a	5	Fecal Coliform	35096	Unchanged

Impairment	Source (Confirmed Y/N)	Fish, other Aquatic Life and Wildlife	Fish Consumption	Aesthetic	Primary Contact Recreation	Secondary Contact Recreation
Enterococcus	Agriculture (Y)				X	
Enterococcus	On-site Treatment Systems (Septic Systems and Similar Decentralized Systems) (Y)				X	
Enterococcus	Source Unknown (N)				X	
Escherichia Coli (E. Coli)	Agriculture (Y)				X	
Escherichia Coli (E. Coli)	On-site Treatment Systems (Septic Systems and Similar Decentralized Systems) (Y)				X	
Escherichia Coli (E. Coli)	Source Unknown (N)				X	
Fecal Coliform	Agriculture (Y)				X	

Impairment	Source (Confirmed Y/N)	Fish, other Aquatic Life and Wildlife	Fish Consumption	Aesthetic	Primary Contact Recreation	Secondary Contact Recreation
Fecal Coliform	On-site Treatment Systems (Septic Systems and Similar Decentralized Systems) (Y)				X	
Fecal Coliform	Source Unknown (N)				X	

Designated Use Attainment Decisions

Fish, other Aquatic Life and Wildlife

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Fully Supporting	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
<p>EPA conducted discrete water quality monitoring in this Rocky Run AU (MA53-16) at Plain St. (EPA_RR24); Martin St. (EPA_RR25), Davis St. (EPA_RR03) & north of Meadowlark Drive (EPA_RR22A); once or twice a year in 2012-2013 & ~monthly 2016-2019. The data were generally indicative of good water quality (a summary incorporating data from all stations follows): max temperature 24.1°C (n=24); minimum DO 4.8mg/L (n=12) (1/12 measurements <5mg/L at EPA_RR26). pH was low at times (especially in the upstream reach of the AU) ranging from 4.4SU at EPA_RR24 to 7.7SU at EPA_RR03, (8/11 measurements <6.5SU & 7/11 measurements <6.0SU). These low measurements are of note but are judged to be a natural condition, due to the large amount of wetland (wooded swamp) in the watershed, as depicted by the MassGIS detailed wetland layer. There was no indication of nutrient enrichment: seasonal avg total phosphorus was consistent around 0.05mg/L (typically n=5); with a max DO saturation of 84.5% & no observations of dense/very dense filamentous algae. The seasonal average Total Nitrogen concentrations ranged from 0.5 to 0.8mg/L (typically n=5). In estuarine systems, seasonal average TN >0.5mg/L can be indicative of degraded overall health; however, this AU is not fully estuarine despite what conditions the downstream end of the AU might experience (i.e., occasional tidal influence), thus the elevated averages should not be problematic. Specific conductance was occasionally high at Davis St (EPA_RR03) (max of 4,082µS/cm in 2016), which resulted in a few exceedances of the estimated chloride criteria (three times out of 35 measurements, with no consecutive incidents). There were no exceedances of the estimated chloride criteria at the other four sampling stations (n=20). Total ammonia nitrogen was low, with a max of 0.14mg/L (n=17) with no toxicity estimated. The Aquatic Life Use of this Rocky Run AU (MA53-16) is assessed as Fully Supporting based on the EPA water quality data.</p>	

Monitoring Stations

Station Code	Organization	Type	Water Body	Station Description	Latitude	Longitude
W0638	MassDEP	Water Quality	Rocky Run	[at power lines crossing Davis Street, Rehoboth. (just east of First Street)]	41.781622	-71.250434

Station Code	Organization	Type	Water Body	Station Description	Latitude	Longitude
EPA_RR03	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Rocky Run	Rocky Run @ Davis Street, Rehoboth	41.781562	-71.250278

Station Code	Organization	Type	Water Body	Station Description	Latitude	Longitude
EPA_RR22A	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Rocky Run	Rocky Run in wetlands off Meadow Lark	41.784408	-71.261287
EPA_RR24	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Rocky Run	Rocky Run @ Plain Street, Rehoboth	41.811416	-71.230218
EPA_RR25	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Rocky Run	Rocky Run @ Martin Street, Rehoboth	41.797461	-71.239522
EPA_RR26	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Rocky Run	Rocky Run @ Pleasant Street, Rehoboth	41.779463	-71.239194

Biological Monitoring Information

Habitat and Flow Data (anthropogenic alterations)

EPA Discrete Total Suspended Solids Data (2016-2019). (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	TSS Count	TSS Max (mg/L)	TSS Avg (mg/L)	TSS Count >25
EPA_RR03	04/19/16	11/09/16	8	6.5	3.3	0
EPA_RR03	04/20/17	11/14/17	8	3	2.6	0
EPA_RR03	04/24/18	11/05/18	8	2.8	2.5	0
EPA_RR03	10/22/19	11/06/19	2	2.5	2.5	0
EPA_RR22A	06/07/18	11/05/18	6	8.3	3.5	0
EPA_RR22A	06/26/19	11/06/19	6	16	6.8	0

Physico-chemical Water Quality Information

DO, pH, Temperature

EPA Freshwater Discrete Dissolved Oxygen Data (2012-2013). (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)

[CW= Coldwater, WW= Warmwater]

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	DO Count	DO Min (mg/L)	DO Avg (mg/L)	Count CW <5.0	Count WW Early Life Stages <5.0	Count WW Other Life Stages <4.0
EPA_RR03	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	6.2	6.2	0	0	0
EPA_RR03	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	5.5	7.2	0	0	0
EPA_RR24	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	5.9	5.9	0	0	0
EPA_RR24	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	5.6	6.5	0	0	0
EPA_RR25	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	6.5	6.5	0	0	0
EPA_RR25	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	7.1	7.6	0	0	0
EPA_RR26	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	6.0	6.0	0	0	0
EPA_RR26	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	4.8	6.1	1	1	0

EPA Freshwater Discrete Temperature Data (2012, 2013 & 2016-2019). (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)

[Summer Index is June 1 – Sept 15; CW= Coldwater, WW= Warmwater]

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	Temp Count	Index Count	Temp Max (°C)	Temp Avg (°C)	Count CW >20	Count CW >22	Count WW >28.3	Count WW >30.3
EPA_RR03	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	0	11.3	11.3	0	0	0	0
EPA_RR03	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	1	23.4	17.8	1	1	0	0
EPA_RR03	04/19/16	11/09/16	8	4	24.1	15.0	2	1	0	0
EPA_RR03	04/20/17	11/14/17	8	4	21.6	15.7	2	0	0	0
EPA_RR03	04/24/18	11/05/18	8	3	24.0	15.2	1	1	0	0
EPA_RR03	04/29/19	11/06/19	8	3	22.0	15.0	2	0	0	0
EPA_RR22A	06/07/18	10/18/18	5	3	23.6	17.0	1	1	0	0
EPA_RR22A	05/13/19	10/22/19	6	3	21.3	16.9	2	0	0	0
EPA_RR24	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	0	11.1	11.1	0	0	0	0
EPA_RR24	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	1	21.5	16.7	1	0	0	0
EPA_RR25	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	0	11.5	11.5	0	0	0	0
EPA_RR25	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	1	23.4	18.3	1	1	0	0
EPA_RR26	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	0	11.4	11.4	0	0	0	0
EPA_RR26	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	1	23.1	17.7	1	1	0	0

EPA Discrete pH Data (2012-2013). (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	pH Count	pH Min (SU)	pH Max (SU)	pH Count <6.5 or >8.3	pH Count <6.0 or >8.8
EPA_RR03	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	6.1	6.1	1	0
EPA_RR03	09/25/13	09/25/13	1	7.7	7.7	0	0
EPA_RR24	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	4.8	4.8	1	1
EPA_RR24	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	4.4	5.5	2	2
EPA_RR25	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	5.8	5.8	1	1
EPA_RR25	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	5.4	7.2	1	1
EPA_RR26	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	5.9	5.9	1	1
EPA_RR26	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	5.5	7.3	1	1

Nutrients (Primary Producer Screening, Physico-chemical Screening)

MassDEP Nutrient Enrichment Indicator Data (2011-2018). (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

[Summer seasonal total phosphorus data collected May-Sept]

Station Code	Data Year	Seasonal TP Count	Seasonal TP Min (mg/L)	Seasonal TP Max (mg/L)	Seasonal TP Avg (mg/L)	Delta DO Max (mg/L)	Delta DO Avg (mg/L)	DO Sat Max (%)	pH Max (SU)	Count Algal Obsv.	Dense/V. Dense Film/Fila. Algae
W0638	2015	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	3	0

EPA Freshwater Nutrient Enrichment Indicator Data (2012, 2013 & 2016-2019). (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)

[Summer seasonal total phosphorus data collected May-Sept]

Station Code	Data Year	Seasonal TP Count	Seasonal TP Min (mg/L)	Seasonal TP Max (mg/L)	Seasonal TP Avg (mg/L)	DO Sat Max (%)	pH Max (SU)
EPA_RR03	2012	--	--	--	--	58.5	6.1

Station Code	Data Year	Seasonal TP Count	Seasonal TP Min (mg/L)	Seasonal TP Max (mg/L)	Seasonal TP Avg (mg/L)	DO Sat Max (%)	pH Max (SU)
EPA_RR03	2013	--	--	--	--	83.2	7.7
EPA_RR03	2016	5	0.031	0.058	0.046	--	--
EPA_RR03	2017	5	0.034	0.056	0.046	--	--
EPA_RR03	2018	5	0.038	0.068	0.051	--	--
EPA_RR03	2019	5	0.003	0.082	0.046	--	--
EPA_RR22A	2018	4	0.045	0.063	0.053	--	--
EPA_RR22A	2019	5	0.004	0.076	0.048	--	--
EPA_RR24	2012	--	--	--	--	55.4	4.8
EPA_RR24	2013	--	--	--	--	70.0	5.5
EPA_RR25	2012	--	--	--	--	59.4	5.8
EPA_RR25	2013	--	--	--	--	84.5	7.2
EPA_RR26	2012	--	--	--	--	56.0	5.9
EPA_RR26	2013	--	--	--	--	70.4	7.3

EPA Summer Seasonal Total Nitrogen Data (2016-2019). (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)

[Total nitrogen data collected May-Sept]

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	Seasonal TN Count	Seasonal TN Min (mg/L)	Seasonal TN Max (mg/L)	Seasonal TN Avg (mg/L)
EPA_RR03	05/17/16	09/13/16	5	0.4	0.7	0.6
EPA_RR03	05/31/17	09/14/17	5	0.5	0.8	0.6
EPA_RR03	05/09/18	09/19/18	5	0.5	0.7	0.6
EPA_RR03	05/13/19	09/24/19	5	0.5	0.6	0.5
EPA_RR22A	06/07/18	09/19/18	4	0.7	1.0	0.8
EPA_RR22A	05/13/19	09/24/19	5	0.5	0.9	0.7

Toxics and other pollutants (metals, ammonia, chloride, chlorine)

EPA Freshwater Total Ammonia Nitrogen (TAN) Data (2017 & 2019). (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)

[Toxicity evaluations made using site- and date-specific temperature plus site-specific max pH measurements from 2012 & 2013; TAN= NH3 + NH4*]

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	TAN Count	TAN Min (mg/L)	TAN Max (mg/L)	TAN Avg (mg/L)	Count TAN >Chronic	Count TAN >Acute
EPA_RR03	11/14/17	11/14/17	1	0.08	0.08	0.08	0	0
EPA_RR03	04/29/19	11/06/19	8	0.07	0.14	0.09	0	0
EPA_RR22A	04/29/19	11/06/19	8	0.07	0.13	0.08	0	0

EPA Discrete Specific Conductance Data (2012-2013, 2016-2019) Compared to Estimated Chloride Criteria. (EPA 2020)

(MassDEP Undated 3)

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	SpCond Count	SpCond Min (µs/cm)	SpCond Max (µs/cm)	Count SpCond >904	Count SpCond >994	Count SpCond >3193	Count SpCond >3512	Consecutive sets >904	Consecutive sets >994
EPA_RR03	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	95	95	0	0	0	0	0	0
EPA_RR03	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	141	183	0	0	0	0	0	0
EPA_RR03	04/19/16	11/09/16	8	133	4082	2	2	1	1	0	0

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	SpCond Count	SpCond Min (µs/cm)	SpCond Max (µs/cm)	Count SpCond >904	Count SpCond >994	Count SpCond >3193	Count SpCond >3512	Consecutive sets >904	Consecutive sets >994
EPA_RR03	04/20/17	11/14/17	8	119	968	1	0	0	0	0	0
EPA_RR03	04/24/18	11/05/18	8	96	348	0	0	0	0	0	0
EPA_RR03	04/29/19	11/06/19	8	114	1157	1	1	0	0	0	0
EPA_RR22A	06/07/18	10/18/18	5	114	338	0	0	0	0	0	0
EPA_RR22A	05/13/19	10/22/19	6	115	491	0	0	0	0	0	0
EPA_RR24	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	67	67	0	0	0	0	0	0
EPA_RR24	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	63	78	0	0	0	0	0	0
EPA_RR25	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	62	62	0	0	0	0	0	0
EPA_RR25	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	85	97	0	0	0	0	0	0
EPA_RR26	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	84	84	0	0	0	0	0	0
EPA_RR26	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	111	131	0	0	0	0	0	0

Fish Consumption

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Not Assessed	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
No site-specific fish consumption advisory has been issued by DPH; therefore, the Fish Consumption Use for this Rocky Run AU (MA53-16) is Not Assessed.	

Aesthetic

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Fully Supporting	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
MassDEP aesthetics observations for station W0638 on Rocky Run (Davis St, Rehoboth), can be summarized as follows: there were generally no noted objectionable conditions (odors, deposits, growths, or turbidity) recorded by DEP field sampling crews during summer 2015 (n=3). The Aesthetics Use for this Rocky Run AU (MA53-16) is assessed as Fully Supporting.	

Monitoring Stations

Station Code	Organization	Type	Water Body	Station Description	Latitude	Longitude
W0638	MassDEP	Water Quality	Rocky Run	[at power lines crossing Davis Street, Rehoboth. (just east of First Street)]	41.781622	-71.250434

Aesthetic Observations

Aesthetics Summary Statements for MassDEP Stations (2011-2018) (MassDEP Undated 5)

Station Code	Waterbody	Data Year	Field Sheet Count	Aesthetics Summary Statement
W0638	Rocky Run	2015	3	MassDEP aesthetics observations for station W0638 on Rocky Run can be summarized as follows: there were generally no noted objectionable conditions (odors, deposits, growths, or turbidity) recorded by DEP field sampling crews during summer 2015.

Observations of Filamentous/Film Algae at MassDEP Stations (2011-2018) (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

Station Code	Data Year	Field Sheet Count	Field Sheet Count w/ Film & Filamentous Algae Observations	Dense/ Very Dense Film/ Filamentous Algae
W0638	2015	3	3	0

MassDEP Aesthetics Observations (2011-2018) (MassDEP Undated 8)

Station Code	Waterbody	Data Year	Parameter	Result	Result Count	Total Field Sheet Count
W0638	Rocky Run	2015	Color	Light Yellow/Tan	2	3
W0638	Rocky Run	2015	Color	None	1	3
W0638	Rocky Run	2015	Objectionable Deposits	Not Applicable (N/A)	3	3
W0638	Rocky Run	2015	Odor	None	3	3
W0638	Rocky Run	2015	Scum	Not Applicable (N/A)	3	3
W0638	Rocky Run	2015	Turbidity	Slightly Turbid	3	3

Primary Contact Recreation

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Not Supporting	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	

E. coli & *Enterococcus* bacteria data were collected throughout this Rocky Run AU (MA53-16) at the following sampling stations (data years): MassDEP 5-7 times per year – at power lines crossing Davis Street (W0638) & north of the northern end of Meadowlark Drive, Rehoboth (W2920) (2015-2018) and at Plain St. (EPA_RR24); Martin St. (EPA_RR25), Pleasant Street (EPA_RR26), Davis St. (EPA_RR03) (once or twice a year 2012-2019 & ~monthly 2016-2019). The EPA *E. coli* data are too limited to assess the Use according to the CALM “Use Attainment Impairment Decision Schema, but the remaining data can be summarized as follows: EPA *Enterococcus* data collected in the downstream half of the AU at Davis St, Rehoboth (EPA_RR03) in 2016-2019, indicated 67-100 % of intervals had GMs >35 cfu/100ml in the 4 years and 2-4 samples each year exceeded the 130 cfu/100ml STV. MassDEP *E. coli* data collected also at Davis St (W0638) in 2015-2018, indicated 57-100% of intervals had GMs >126 cfu/100ml in 4 years, 2-3 samples each year exceeded the 410 cfu/100ml STV in 2 of the sample years & cumulatively 67 % of the GM intervals were >126 cfu/100ml. MassDEP *E. coli* data collected a little further downstream, north of Meadowlark Drive (W2920) in 2018, indicated 67% of intervals had GMs >126 cfu/100ml.

MassDEP conducted BST work in this AU in 2011-2015. In 2013/2014 a human source of bacteria was identified discharging from a pipe underneath Davis St into an unnamed tributary to Rocky Run. The source was subsequently removed by the Town of Rehoboth Board of Health. Additional BST work was conducted from 2016-2019 as part of the EPA/RIDEM/DEP joint effort in the Palmer River watershed (NWQI); *E. coli* counts ranged 10 to 15,531MPN/100ml and some potential agricultural sources were observed in the watershed. No additional correctable sources were found after 2014. Based on the *E. coli* and *Enterococcus* data described above, the Primary Contact Recreational Use for this Rocky Run AU (MA53-16) will continue to be assessed as Not Supporting. The existing impairments for *E. coli* and Fecal Coliform will be carried forwards. A new impairment will be added for *Enterococcus* based on the data collected by the EPA at Davis St (EPA_RR03).

Monitoring Stations

Station Code	Organization	Type	Water Body	Station Description	Latitude	Longitude
EPA_RR03	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Rocky Run	Rocky Run @ Davis Street, Rehoboth	41.781562	-71.250278
EPA_RR24	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Rocky Run	Rocky Run @ Plain Street, Rehoboth	41.811416	-71.230218
EPA_RR25	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Rocky Run	Rocky Run @ Martin Street, Rehoboth	41.797461	-71.239522
EPA_RR26	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Rocky Run	Rocky Run @ Pleasant Street, Rehoboth	41.779463	-71.239194
W0638	MassDEP	Water Quality	Rocky Run	[at power lines crossing Davis Street, Rehoboth. (just east of First Street)]	41.781622	-71.250434
W2920	MassDEP	Water Quality	Rocky Run	[north of the northern end of Meadowlark Drive, Rehoboth]	41.784529	-71.261392

Bacteria Data

Bacteria Data Collected by MassDEP and External Data Providers 2011-2020 (90-day Interval Analysis) (EPA 2020)

(MassDEP Undated 3) (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

[Result units are CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml]

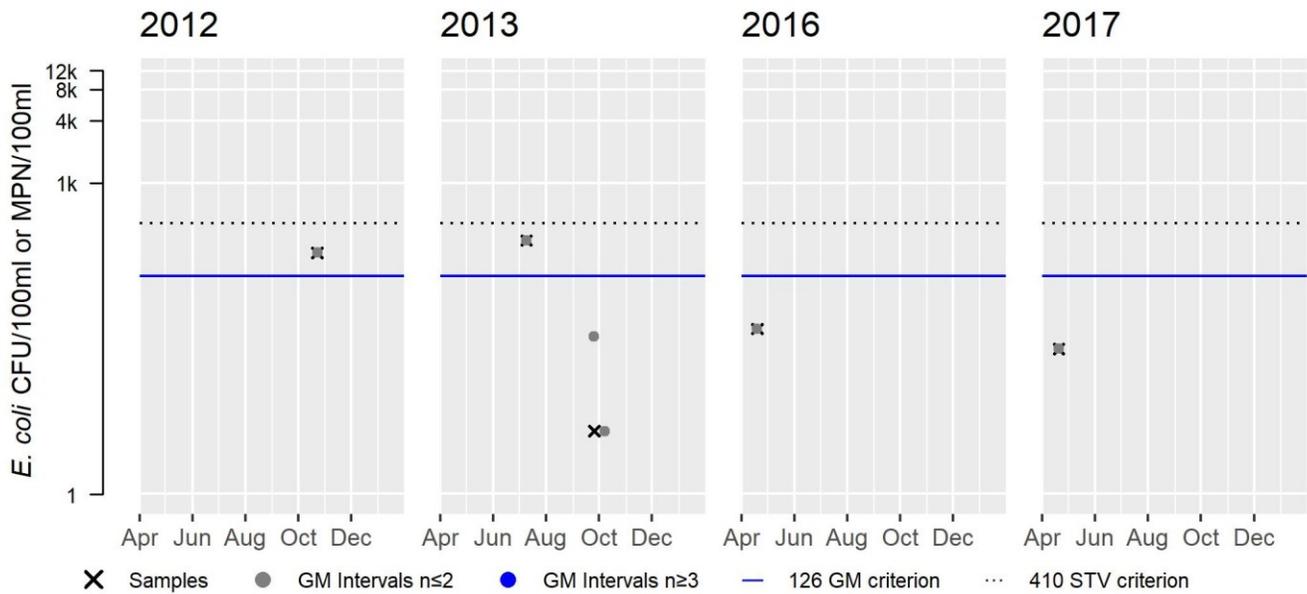
Station Code	Organization	Indicator	Start Date	End Date	Sample Count	Minimum Sample Result	Maximum Sample Result	Seasonal Geometric Mean
EPA_RR03	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	212	212	212
EPA_RR03	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	4	279	33
EPA_RR03	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	04/19/16	04/19/16	1	39	39	39
EPA_RR03	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	04/19/16	10/12/16	7	10	775	121
EPA_RR03	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	04/20/17	04/20/17	1	25	25	25
EPA_RR03	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	04/20/17	10/12/17	7	10	776	127
EPA_RR03	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	04/24/18	10/18/18	7	10	435	63
EPA_RR03	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	04/29/19	09/24/19	5	10	3255	132
EPA_RR24	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	10	10	10
EPA_RR24	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	30	108	57
EPA_RR25	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	4	4	4
EPA_RR25	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	44	64	53
EPA_RR26	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	34	34	34
EPA_RR26	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	70	129	95
W0638	MassDEP	E. coli	07/07/15	09/08/15	3	91	548	205
W0638	MassDEP	E. coli	05/17/16	10/12/16	6	52	980	205
W0638	MassDEP	E. coli	05/31/17	10/12/17	6	20	602	84
W0638	MassDEP	E. coli	04/24/18	10/18/18	7	19	816	136
W2920	MassDEP	E. coli	04/24/18	10/18/18	7	15	816	169

EPA_RR03 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Primary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res	Var	Res	Var	Res	Var	Res
Samples	1	Samples	2	Samples	1	Samples	1
SeasGM	212	SeasGM	33	SeasGM	39	SeasGM	25
#GMI	0	#GMI	0	#GMI	0	#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0						
%GMI Ex	0						
n>STV	0	n>STV	0	n>STV	0	n>STV	0
%n>STV	0	%n>STV	0	%n>STV	0	%n>STV	0

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

Variable	Cumulative %GMI Ex (all years)
Result	0



EPA_RR03 Enterococci (90-day Interval), Primary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	7
SeasGM	121
#GMI	6
#GMI Ex	6
%GMI Ex	100
n>STV	4
%n>STV	57

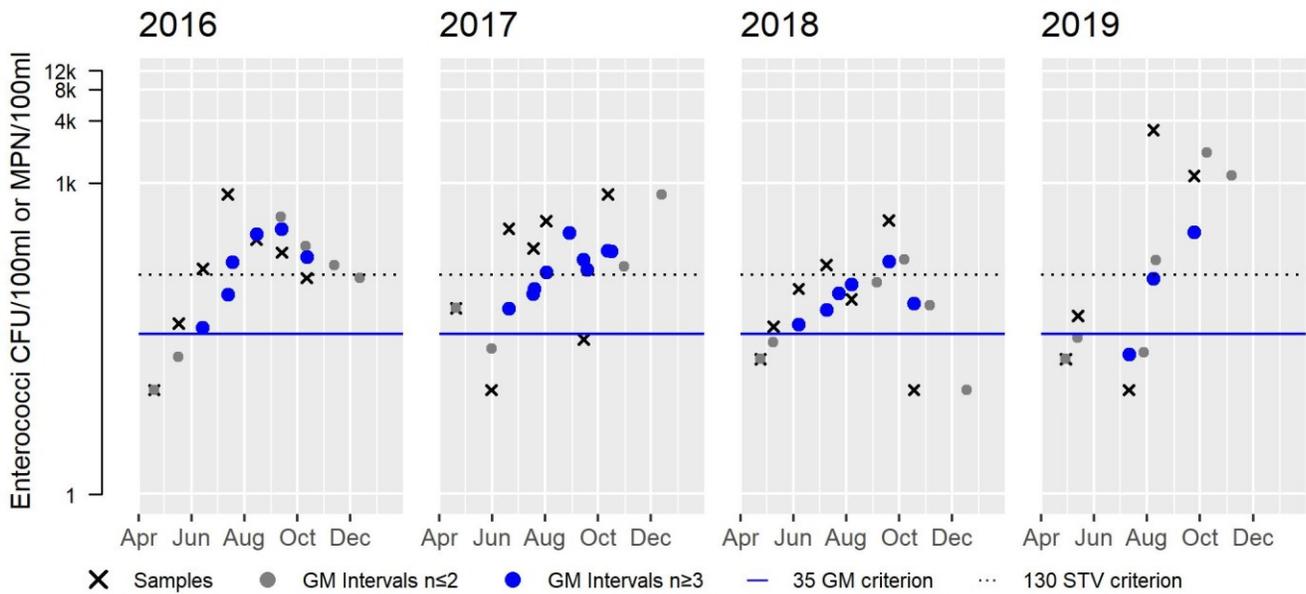
Var	Res
Samples	7
SeasGM	127
#GMI	9
#GMI Ex	9
%GMI Ex	100
n>STV	4
%n>STV	57

Var	Res
Samples	7
SeasGM	63
#GMI	6
#GMI Ex	6
%GMI Ex	100
n>STV	2
%n>STV	29

Var	Res
Samples	5
SeasGM	132
#GMI	3
#GMI Ex	2
%GMI Ex	67
n>STV	2
%n>STV	40

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

Variable	Cumulative %GMI Ex (all years)
Result	96



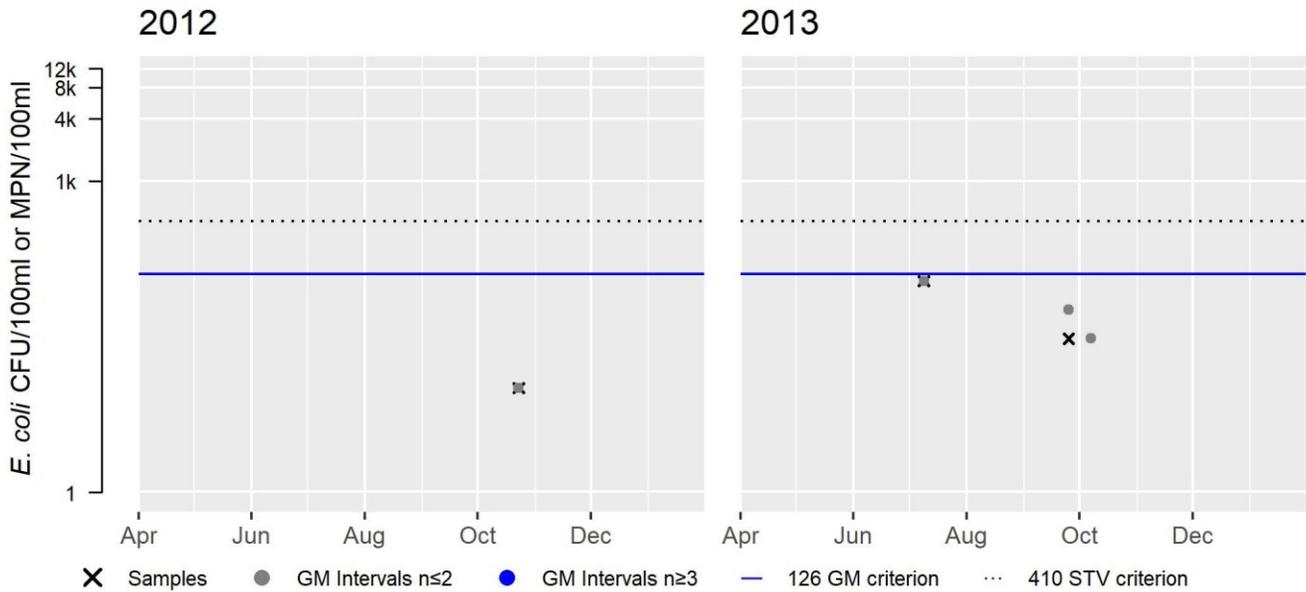
EPA_RR24 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Primary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	1
SeasGM	10
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Var	Res
Samples	2
SeasGM	57
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

Variable	Cumulative %GMI Ex (all years)
Result	0



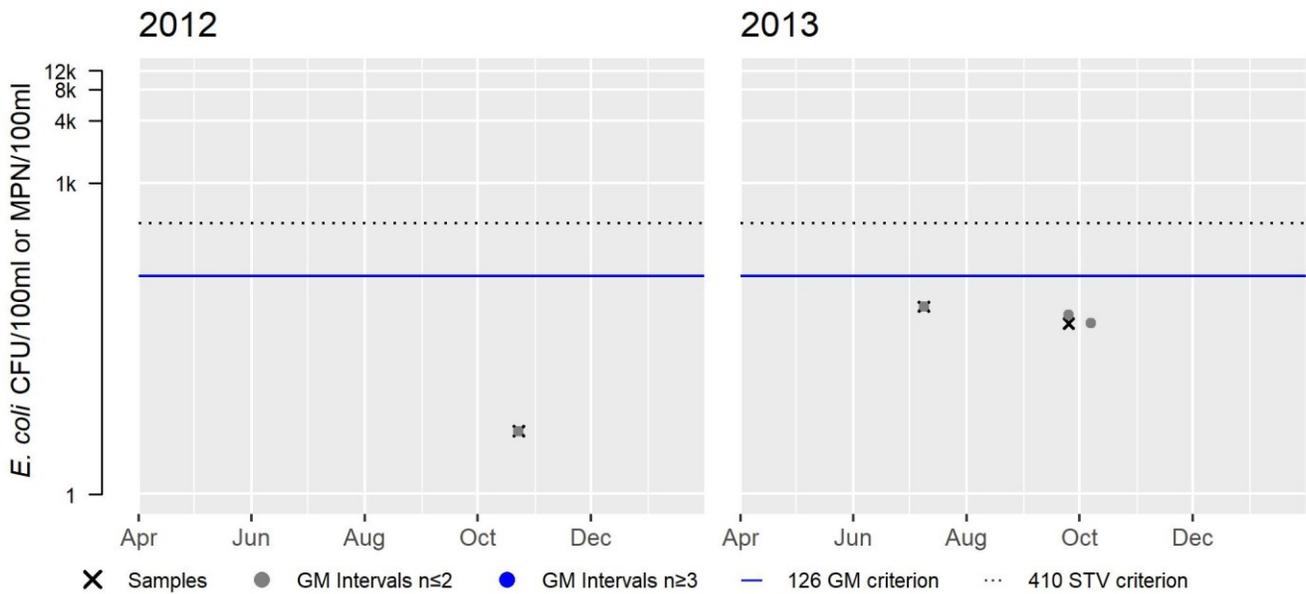
EPA_RR25 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Primary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	1
SeasGM	4
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Var	Res
Samples	2
SeasGM	53
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

Variable	Cumulative %GMI Ex (all years)
Result	0



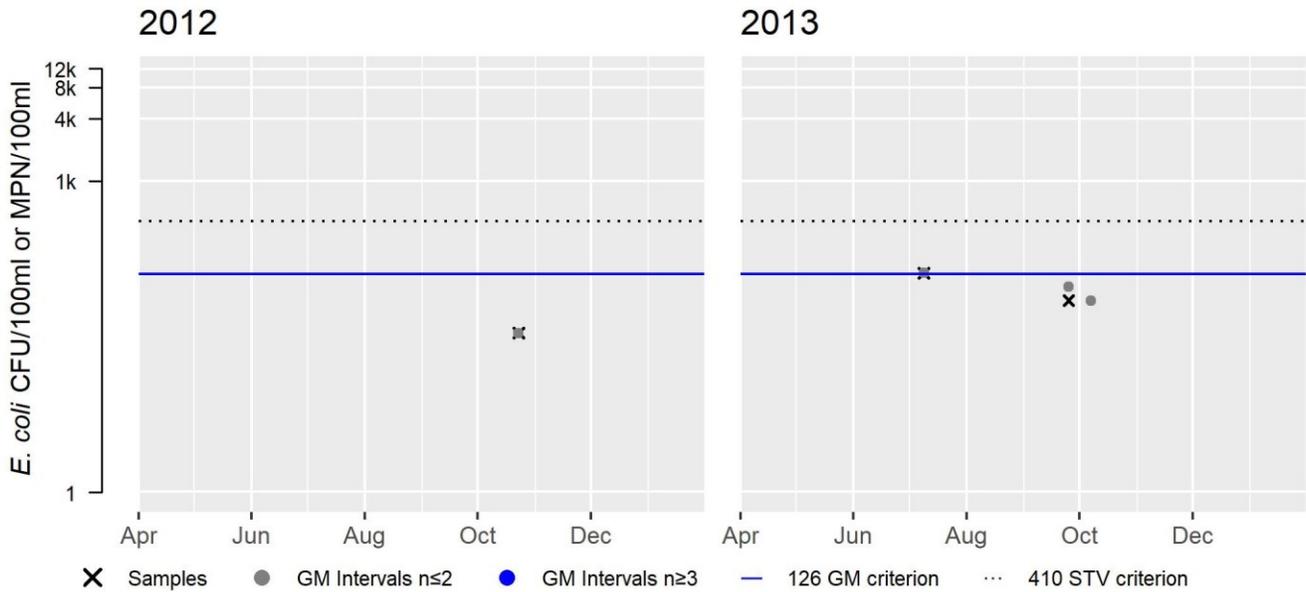
EPA_RR26 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Primary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	1
SeasGM	34
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Var	Res
Samples	2
SeasGM	95
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

Variable	Cumulative %GMI Ex (all years)
Result	0



W0638 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Primary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	3
SeasGM	205
#GMI	1
#GMI Ex	1
%GMI Ex	100
n>STV	1
%n>STV	33

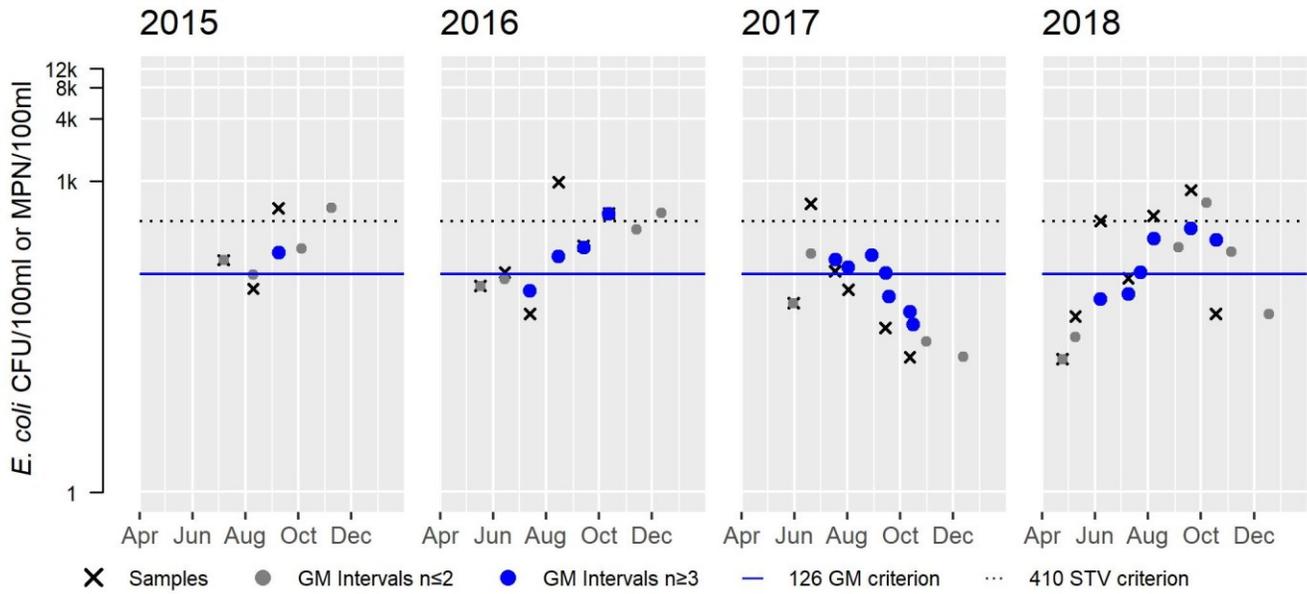
Var	Res
Samples	6
SeasGM	205
#GMI	4
#GMI Ex	3
%GMI Ex	75
n>STV	2
%n>STV	33

Var	Res
Samples	6
SeasGM	84
#GMI	7
#GMI Ex	4
%GMI Ex	57
n>STV	1
%n>STV	17

Var	Res
Samples	7
SeasGM	136
#GMI	6
#GMI Ex	4
%GMI Ex	67
n>STV	3
%n>STV	43

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

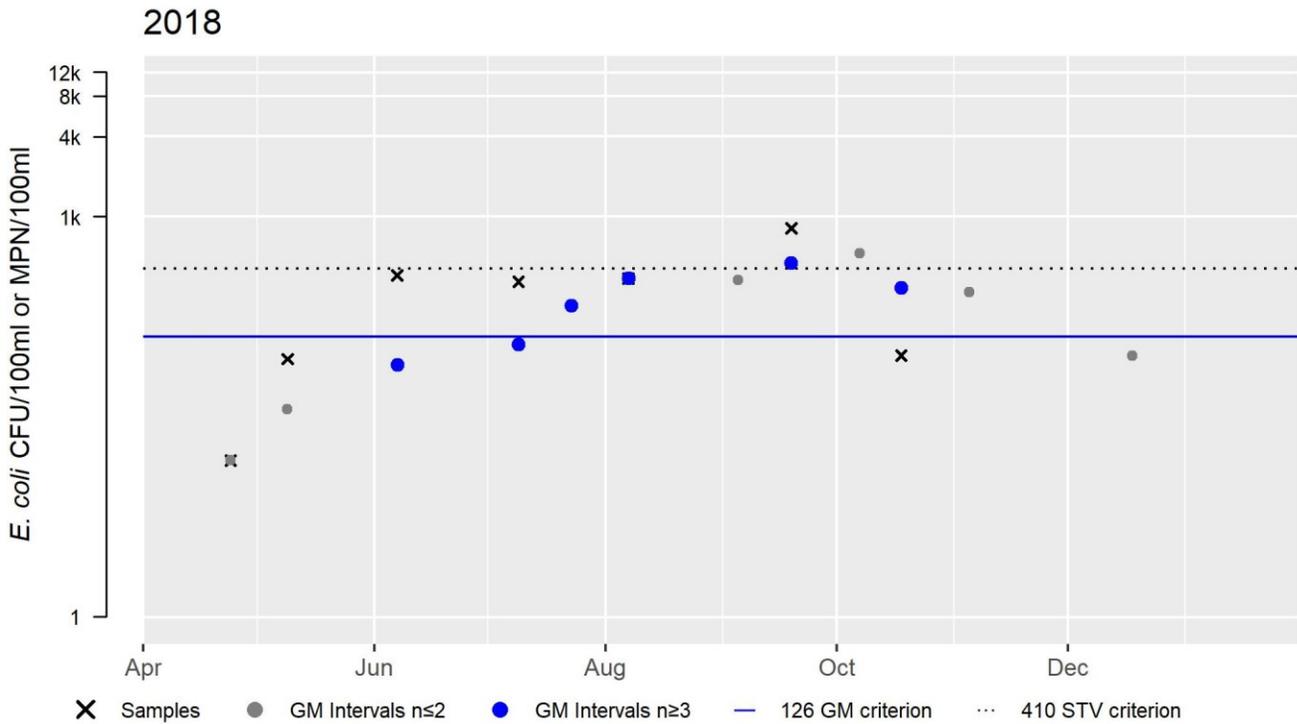
Variable	Cumulative %GMI Ex (all years)
Result	67



W2920 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Primary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	7
SeasGM	169
#GMI	6
#GMI Ex	4
%GMI Ex	67
n>STV	1
%n>STV	14

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV



MassDEP Bacteria Source Tracking (BST) Summary Statement for 2011-2019 (MassDEP Undated 1)

Summary

Prior to 2011, BST work was conducted along the Rocky Run Brook AU (MA53-16) and on one unnamed tributary, with a max dry weather *E. coli* counts of 24,196MPN in the unnamed tributary downstream of Davis Street. Additional BST work was conducted in 2011-2015 at 2 sites along Rocky Run Brook with *E. coli* counts ranging 78 - >2,419.6MPN and 5 sites on the unnamed tributary with a max *E. coli* count of 241,960MPN. In 2013/2014 a human source of bacteria was identified discharging from a pipe underneath Davis Street into the unnamed tributary. The source was subsequently removed by the Town of Rehoboth Board of Health. Additional BST work was conducted along Rocky Run Brook from 2016-2019 as part of the EPA/RIDEM/DEP joint effort in the Palmer River watershed (NWQI); *E. coli* ranged 10 to 15,531MPN. No additional correctable sources were found after 2014.

Secondary Contact Recreation

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
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Fully Supporting	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
<p><i>E. coli</i> bacteria data were collected throughout this Rocky Run AU (MA53-16) at the following sampling stations (data years): MassDEP 5-7 times per year – W0638 & W2920 (2015-2018) and EPA 1-2 times per year – EPA_RR24, RR25, RR26 & RR03 (2012-2019). The EPA <i>E. coli</i> data are too limited to assess the Secondary Contact Recreational Use according to the CALM “Use Attainment Impairment Decision Schema, but the MassDEP data can be summarized as follows: <i>E. coli</i> data collected at Davis St (W0638) in 2015-2018 and north of Meadowlark Drive (W2920) in 2018, indicated 0% of intervals had GMs >630 cfu/100ml & no samples exceeded the 1260 cfu/100ml STV. Since the <i>E. coli</i> concentrations were below the use attainment impairment thresholds for these single and multi-year limited to moderate frequency datasets, the Secondary Contact Recreational Use for this Rocky Run AU (MA53-16) will continue to be assessed as Fully Supporting.</p>	

Monitoring Stations

Station Code	Organization	Type	Water Body	Station Description	Latitude	Longitude
EPA_RR03	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Rocky Run	Rocky Run @ Davis Street, Rehoboth	41.781562	-71.250278
EPA_RR24	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Rocky Run	Rocky Run @ Plain Street, Rehoboth	41.811416	-71.230218
EPA_RR25	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Rocky Run	Rocky Run @ Martin Street, Rehoboth	41.797461	-71.239522
EPA_RR26	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Rocky Run	Rocky Run @ Pleasant Street, Rehoboth	41.779463	-71.239194
W0638	MassDEP	Water Quality	Rocky Run	[at power lines crossing Davis Street, Rehoboth. (just east of First Street)]	41.781622	-71.250434
W2920	MassDEP	Water Quality	Rocky Run	[north of the northern end of Meadowlark Drive, Rehoboth]	41.784529	-71.261392

Bacteria Data

Bacteria Data Collected by MassDEP and External Data Providers 2011-2020 (90-day Interval Analysis) (EPA 2020)

(MassDEP Undated 3) (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

[Result units are CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml]

Station Code	Organization	Indicator	Start Date	End Date	Sample Count	Minimum Sample Result (CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml)	Maximum Sample Result (CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml)	Seasonal Geometric Mean (CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml)
EPA_RR03	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	212	212	212
EPA_RR03	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	4	279	33
EPA_RR03	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	04/19/16	04/19/16	1	39	39	39
EPA_RR03	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	04/20/17	04/20/17	1	25	25	25
EPA_RR24	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	10	10	10

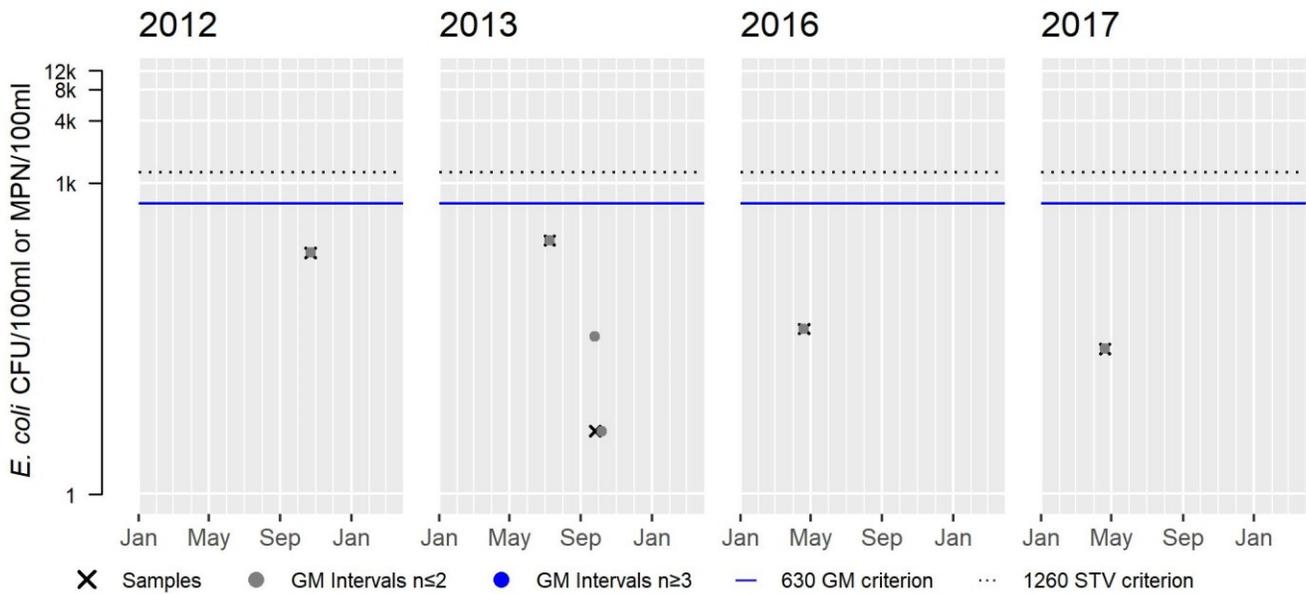
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EPA_RR24	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	30	108	57
EPA_RR25	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	4	4	4
EPA_RR25	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	44	64	53
EPA_RR26	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	34	34	34
EPA_RR26	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	70	129	95
W0638	MassDEP	E. coli	07/07/15	09/08/15	3	91	548	205
W0638	MassDEP	E. coli	05/17/16	11/09/16	7	29	980	155
W0638	MassDEP	E. coli	05/31/17	11/14/17	7	20	602	91
W0638	MassDEP	E. coli	04/24/18	11/05/18	8	19	816	136
W2920	MassDEP	E. coli	04/24/18	11/05/18	8	15	816	161

EPA_RR03 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Secondary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res	Var	Res	Var	Res	Var	Res
Samples	1	Samples	2	Samples	1	Samples	1
SeasGM	212	SeasGM	33	SeasGM	39	SeasGM	25
#GMI	0	#GMI	0	#GMI	0	#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0						
%GMI Ex	0						
n>STV	0	n>STV	0	n>STV	0	n>STV	0
%n>STV	0	%n>STV	0	%n>STV	0	%n>STV	0

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

Variable	Cumulative %GMI Ex (all years)
Result	0



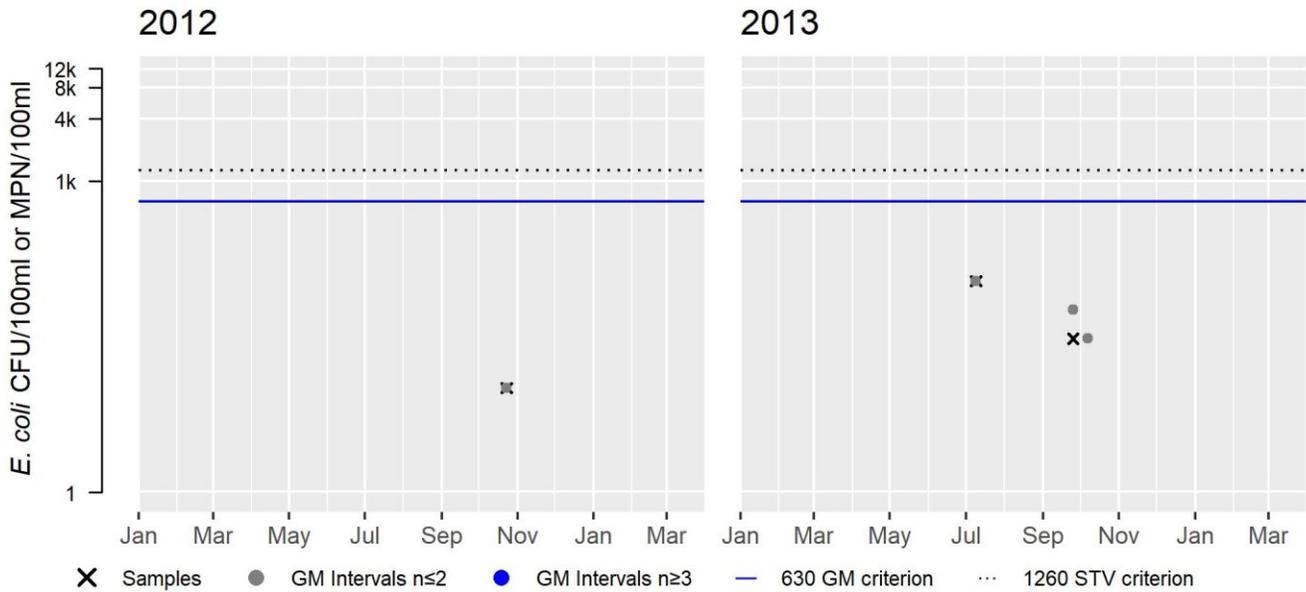
EPA_RR24 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Secondary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	1
SeasGM	10
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Var	Res
Samples	2
SeasGM	57
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
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Variable	Cumulative %GMI Ex (all years)
Result	0



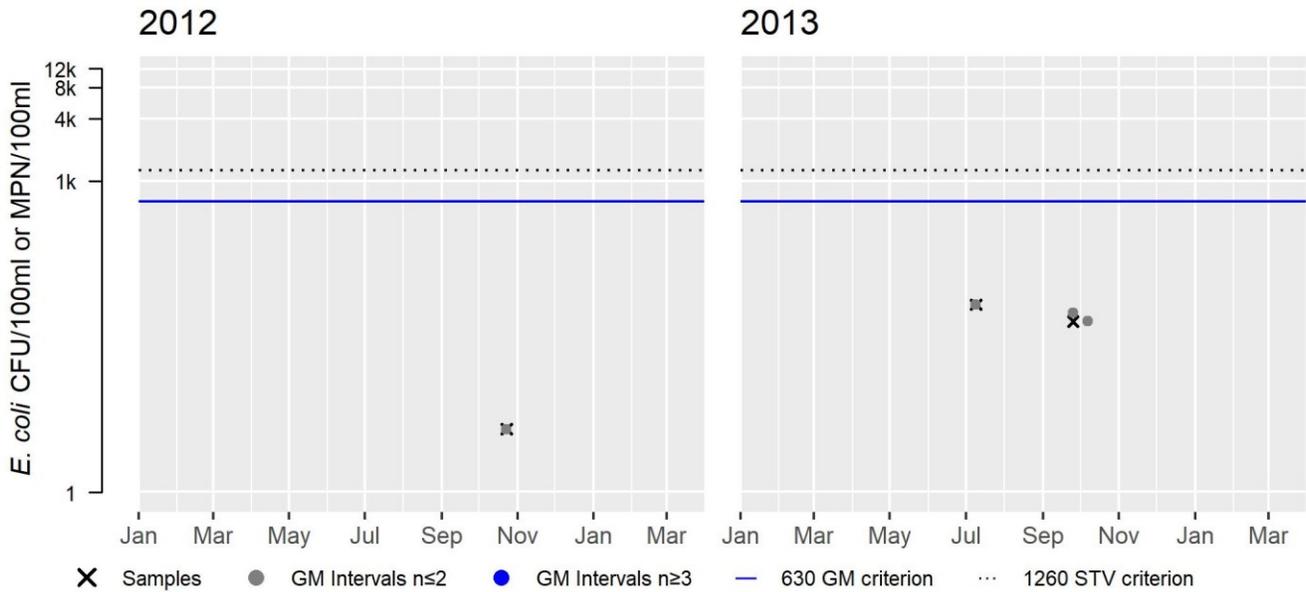
EPA_RR25 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Secondary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	1
SeasGM	4
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Var	Res
Samples	2
SeasGM	53
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
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Variable	Cumulative %GMI Ex (all years)
Result	0



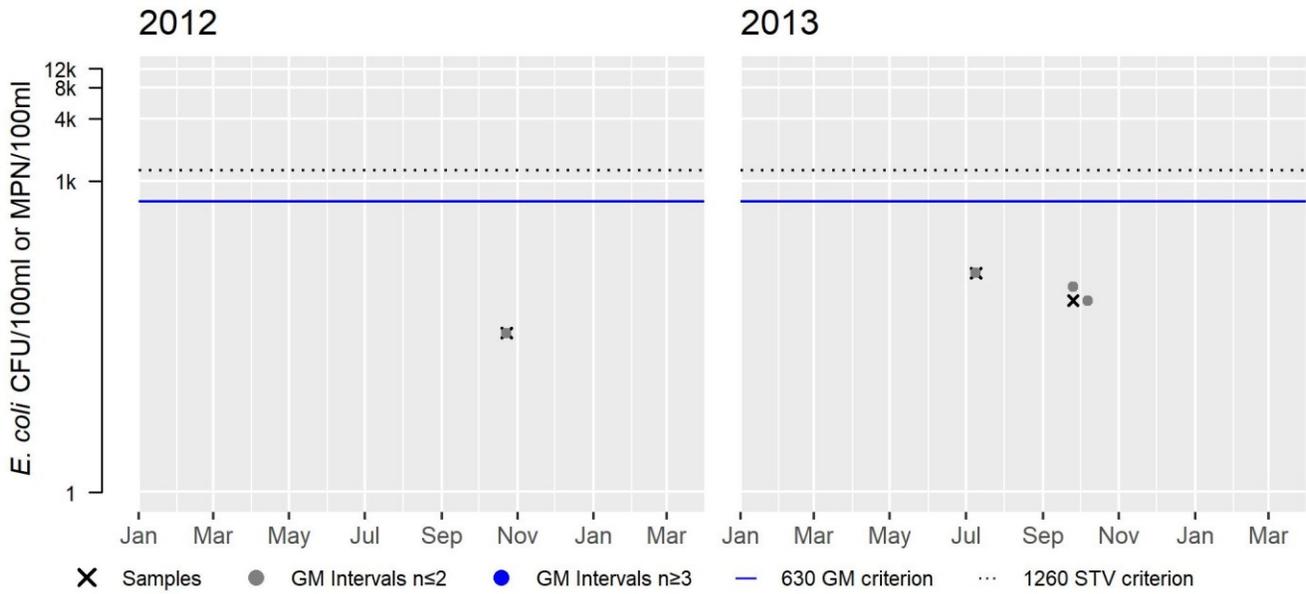
EPA_RR26 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Secondary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	1
SeasGM	34
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Var	Res
Samples	2
SeasGM	95
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

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Variable	Cumulative %GMI Ex (all years)
Result	0



W0638 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Secondary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	3
SeasGM	205
#GMI	1
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
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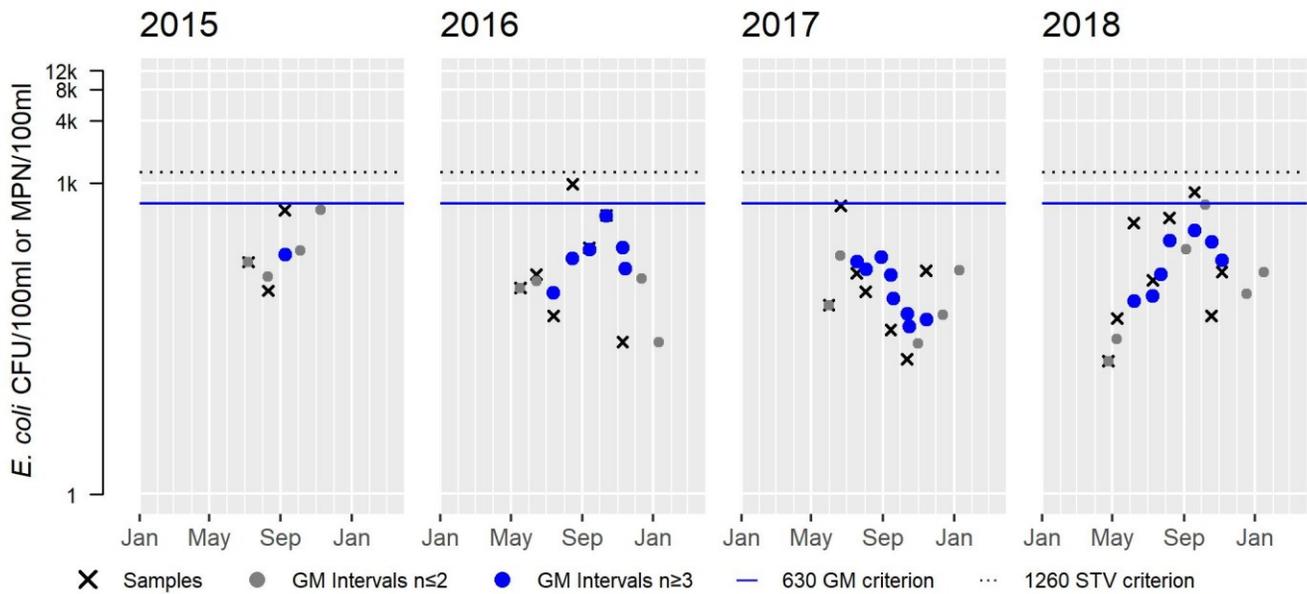
Var	Res
Samples	7
SeasGM	155
#GMI	6
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Var	Res
Samples	7
SeasGM	91
#GMI	8
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Var	Res
Samples	8
SeasGM	136
#GMI	7
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

Variable	Cumulative %GMI Ex (all years)
Result	0

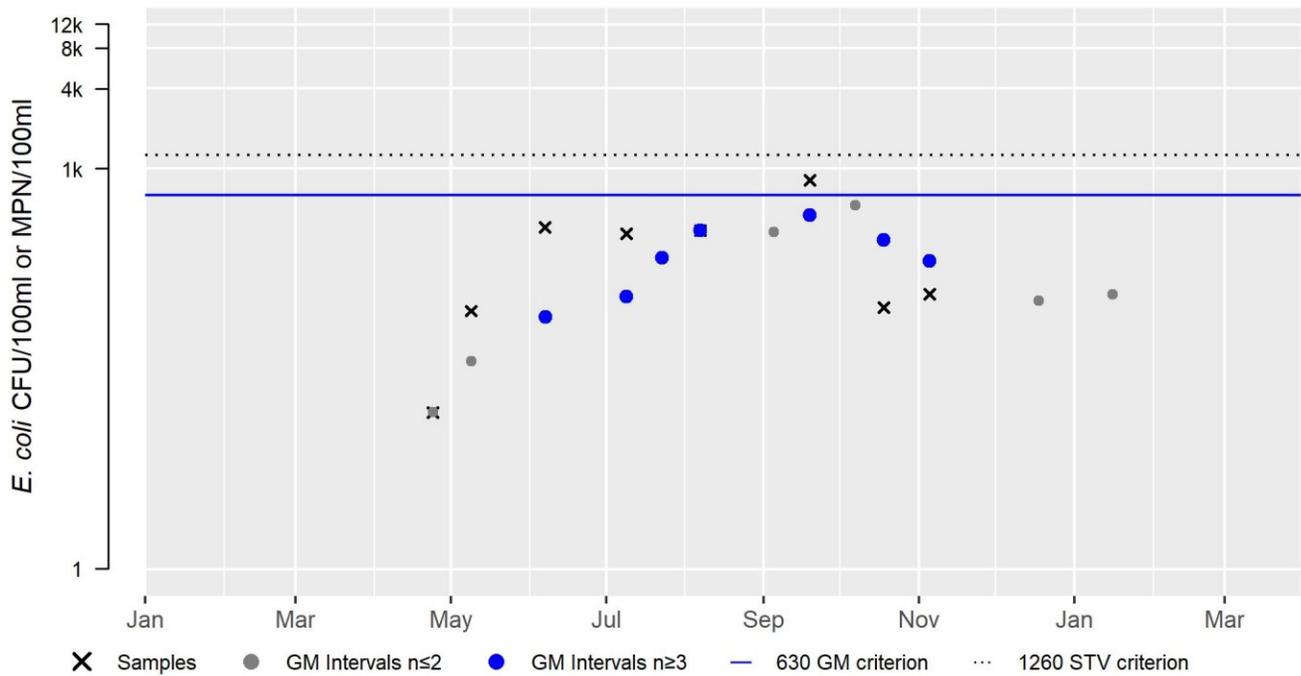


W2920 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Secondary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	8
SeasGM	161
#GMI	7
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

2018



Rocky Run (MA53-18)

Location:	approximately 0.1 mile east of Mason Street, Rehoboth to confluence with Palmer River, Rehoboth (formerly part of 2008 segment: Rocky Run MA53-16).
AU Type:	ESTUARY
AU Size:	0.003 SQUARE MILES
Classification/Qualifier:	SA: SFO

2018/20 AU Category	2022 AU Category	Impairment	ATTAINS Action ID	Impairment Change Summary
4a	5	Enterococcus		Added
4a	5	Fecal Coliform	35096	Unchanged

Impairment	Source (Confirmed Y/N)	Fish, other Aquatic Life and Wildlife	Fish Consumption	Shellfish Harvesting	Aesthetic	Primary Contact Recreation	Secondary Contact Recreation
Enterococcus	Agriculture (Y)					X	X
Enterococcus	On-site Treatment Systems (Septic Systems and Similar Decentralized Systems) (Y)					X	X
Enterococcus	Source Unknown (N)					X	X
Fecal Coliform	Agriculture (Y)			X			

Recommendations

2022 Recommendations
ALU: Additional sampling for primary producers (chlorophyll a) is recommended, to clarify a possible nutrient enrichment problem for this estuarine portion of Rocky Run.

Designated Use Attainment Decisions

Fish, other Aquatic Life and Wildlife

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Fully Supporting	YES
2022 Use Attainment Summary	

EPA conducted discrete water quality monitoring in this Rocky Run AU (MA53-18) at Mason St., Rehoboth (EPA_RR01), once or twice in 2012-2013 and typically monthly in 2016-2019. The data were generally indicative of good water quality: the max temperature was 27.8°C (n=15), with a minimum DO of 5.4mg/L (n=3) and a pH range of 6.3-7.6SU (n=3), twice measuring <6.5SU. There was no indication of nutrient enrichment: seasonal average total phosphorus ranged 0.045-0.068mg/L (5-day averages n=20); with a max DO saturation of 95.9% & no observations of dense/very dense filamentous algae (n=1). The seasonal average total nitrogen concentrations ranged from 0.8 to 0.9mg/L (n= 5 samples each year 2016 to 2019). According to CALM guidance (MassDEP 2022), total nitrogen >0.5mg/L can be indicative of moderately-severely degraded health for the system. However, there are no primary producer data to clarify the existence of a nutrient enrichment problem for this AU. Total ammonia nitrogen ranged 0.07-0.22mg/L (n=8), but its potential toxicity could not be properly calculated due to a lack of date specific pH and salinity data. The Aquatic Life Use for Rocky Run (MA53-18) is assessed as Fully Supporting based on the EPA water quality data. An Alert will be issued due to the elevated total nitrogen concentrations observed at Mason St.

Monitoring Stations

Station Code	Organization	Type	Water Body	Station Description	Latitude	Longitude
W0640	MassDEP	Water Quality	Rocky Run	[Mason Street, Rehoboth]	41.782492	-71.274457

Station Code	Organization	Type	Water Body	Station Description	Latitude	Longitude
EPA_RR01	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Rocky Run	Rocky Run @ Mason Street, Rehoboth	41.782417	-71.274411

Biological Monitoring Information

Habitat and Flow Data (anthropogenic alterations)

EPA Discrete Total Suspended Solids Data (2016-2019). (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	TSS Count	TSS Max (mg/L)	TSS Avg (mg/L)	TSS Count >25
EPA_RR01	04/19/16	11/09/16	8	51	9.9	1
EPA_RR01	04/20/17	11/14/17	8	5.5	3.1	0
EPA_RR01	04/24/18	11/05/18	8	6.5	3.5	0
EPA_RR01	05/13/19	11/06/19	7	6.7	4.6	0

Physico-chemical Water Quality Information

DO, pH, Temperature

EPA Estuarine Discrete Dissolved Oxygen Data (2012-2013). (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	DO Count	DO Min (mg/L)	DO Avg (mg/L)	% Meas. <5.0	% Meas. <4.0
EPA_RR01	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	7.3	7.3	0	0
EPA_RR01	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	5.4	7.7	0	0

EPA Estuarine Discrete Temperature Data (2012, 2013 & 2016-2019). (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)

[Summer Index is June 1 – Sept 15]

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	Temp Count	Index Count	Temp Max (°C)	Temp Avg (°C)	Count >29.4
EPA_RR01	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	0	11.0	11.0	0
EPA_RR01	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	1	25.4	19.4	0
EPA_RR01	04/19/16	11/09/16	8	4	27.8	16.1	0
EPA_RR01	04/20/17	11/14/17	8	4	22.1	16.4	0
EPA_RR01	04/24/18	11/05/18	8	3	26.4	15.7	0
EPA_RR01	04/29/19	11/06/19	8	3	23.0	15.5	0

EPA Discrete pH Data (2012-2013). (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	pH Count	pH Min (SU)	pH Max (SU)	pH Count <6.5 or >8.3	pH Count <6.0 or >8.8
EPA_RR01	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	6.3	6.3	1	0
EPA_RR01	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	6.3	7.6	1	0

Nutrients (Primary Producer Screening, Physico-chemical Screening)

MassDEP Nutrient Enrichment Indicator Data (2011-2018). (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

[Summer seasonal total phosphorus data collected May-Sept]

Station Code	Data Year	Seasonal TP Count	Seasonal TP Min (mg/L)	Seasonal TP Max (mg/L)	Seasonal TP Avg (mg/L)	Delta DO Max (mg/L)	Delta DO Avg (mg/L)	DO Sat Max (%)	pH Max (SU)	Count Algal Obsv.	Dense/V. Dense Film/Fila. Algae
W0640	2014	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	1	0

EPA Summer Seasonal Total Nitrogen Data (2016-2019). (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)

[Total nitrogen data collected May-Sept]

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	Seasonal TN Count	Seasonal TN Min (mg/L)	Seasonal TN Max (mg/L)	Seasonal TN Avg (mg/L)
EPA_RR01	05/17/16	09/13/16	5	0.6	1.0	0.8
EPA_RR01	05/31/17	09/14/17	5	0.5	1.4	0.9
EPA_RR01	05/09/18	09/19/18	5	0.6	1.0	0.8
EPA_RR01	05/13/19	09/24/19	5	0.5	1.0	0.8

Toxics and other pollutants (metals, ammonia, chlorine)

EPA Estuarine Total Ammonia Nitrogen (TAN) Data (2017 & 2019). (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)[TAN= NH₃ + NH₄⁺]

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	TAN Count	TAN Min (mg/L)	TAN Max (mg/L)	TAN Avg (mg/L)
EPA_RR01	11/14/17	11/14/17	1	0.22	0.22	0.22
EPA_RR01	04/29/19	11/06/19	7	0.07	0.17	0.09

Fish Consumption

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Not Assessed	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
No site-specific fish consumption advisory has been issued by DPH; therefore, the Fish Consumption Use for this Rocky Run AU (MA53-18) is Not Assessed.	

Shellfish Harvesting

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Not Supporting	YES
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
Rocky Run (MA53-18): The total of all shellfish growing area classifications (Bettencourt August 25, 2021) within this AU is 0.0017 sq mi (62%). The approved shellfish growing area represents 0 sq mi (0%). The prohibited shellfish growing area represents 0.0017 sq mi (62%). There is insufficient information available to assess the Shellfish Harvesting Use because the growing areas within this AU are classified as either entirely prohibited or a combination of approved and prohibited. Alert due to prohibited area >= 0.0001 sq mi. There is insufficient information available to delist the existing Fecal Coliform impairment, so the Shellfish Harvesting Use is evaluated as not supporting.	

Shellfish Growing Area Classifications

MassDFG-Division of Marine Fisheries Shellfish Growing Area Classification Data (Bettencourt August 25, 2021) (MassDEP Undated 6)

Area Name	Waterbody/Area Description	Classification	Area (Sq. Mi.)	Area (% of AU)
MHB5.0	Palmer River	Prohibited	0.00174	62.5%

Aesthetic

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Fully Supporting	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
MassDEP staff surveyed this Rocky Run AU (MA53-18) at Mason Street, Rehoboth (W0640) once during the summer of 2014 and again during the summer 2015 (n=3). There were generally no objectionable conditions (i.e., odors, deposits, growths, or turbidity) observed during the surveys. The Aesthetics Use for this Rocky Run AU (MA53-18) is assessed as Fully Supporting.	

Monitoring Stations

Station Code	Organization	Type	Water Body	Station Description	Latitude	Longitude
W0640	MassDEP	Water Quality	Rocky Run	[Mason Street, Rehoboth]	41.782492	-71.274457

Aesthetic Observations

Aesthetics Summary Statements for MassDEP Stations (2011-2018) (MassDEP Undated 5)

Station Code	Waterbody	Data Year	Field Sheet Count	Aesthetics Summary Statement
W0640	Rocky Run	2014	1	MassDEP aesthetics observations for station W0640 on Rocky Run can be summarized as follows: there were generally no noted objectionable conditions (odors, deposits, growths, or turbidity) recorded by DEP field sampling crews during summer 2014. However, there is insufficient information to assess the Aesthetics Use since data were limited (n=1).
W0640	Rocky Run	2015	3	MassDEP aesthetics observations for station W0640 on Rocky Run can be summarized as follows: there were generally no noted objectionable conditions (odors, deposits, growths, or turbidity) recorded by DEP field sampling crews during summer 2015.

Observations of Filamentous/Film Algae at MassDEP Stations (2011-2018) (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

Station Code	Data Year	Field Sheet Count	Field Sheet Count w/ Film & Filamentous Algae Observations	Dense/ Very Dense Film/ Filamentous Algae
W0640	2014	1	1	0
W0640	2015	3	0	0

MassDEP Aesthetics Observations (2011-2018) (MassDEP Undated 8)

Station Code	Waterbody	Data Year	Parameter	Result	Result Count	Total Field Sheet Count
W0640	Rocky Run	2014	Color	Light Yellow/Tan	1	1
W0640	Rocky Run	2014	Objectionable Deposits	Not Applicable (N/A)	1	1
W0640	Rocky Run	2014	Odor	None	1	1
W0640	Rocky Run	2014	Scum	Not Applicable (N/A)	1	1
W0640	Rocky Run	2014	Turbidity	Highly Turbid	1	1
W0640	Rocky Run	2015	Color	Light Yellow/Tan	2	3
W0640	Rocky Run	2015	Color	None	1	3
W0640	Rocky Run	2015	Objectionable Deposits	Not Applicable (N/A)	3	3
W0640	Rocky Run	2015	Odor	None	3	3
W0640	Rocky Run	2015	Scum	Not Applicable (N/A)	3	3
W0640	Rocky Run	2015	Turbidity	Highly Turbid	1	3
W0640	Rocky Run	2015	Turbidity	Moderately Turbid	1	3
W0640	Rocky Run	2015	Turbidity	Slightly Turbid	1	3

Primary Contact Recreation

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Not Supporting	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
<p><i>Enterococcus</i> bacteria samples were collected by EPA staff in this Rocky Run AU (MA53-18) at Mason St. Rehoboth (EPA_RR01) once or twice a year 2013-2015 and then 7 times per year in 2016-2019. Analysis of the 2016-19 data indicated 100% of intervals had GMs >35 cfu/100ml in the 4 years and 3-5 samples in each of those 4 years exceeded the 130 cfu/100ml STV. The Primary Contact Recreational Use for this Rocky Run AU (MA53-18) is assessed as Not Supporting because of elevated <i>Enterococcus</i> bacteria which is being added as an impairment.</p>	

Monitoring Stations

Station Code	Organization	Type	Water Body	Station Description	Latitude	Longitude
EPA_RR01	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Rocky Run	Rocky Run @ Mason Street, Rehoboth	41.782417	-71.274411

*Bacteria Data***Bacteria Data Collected by MassDEP and External Data Providers 2011-2020 (90-day Interval Analysis) (EPA 2020)**

(MassDEP Undated 3)

[Result units are CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml]

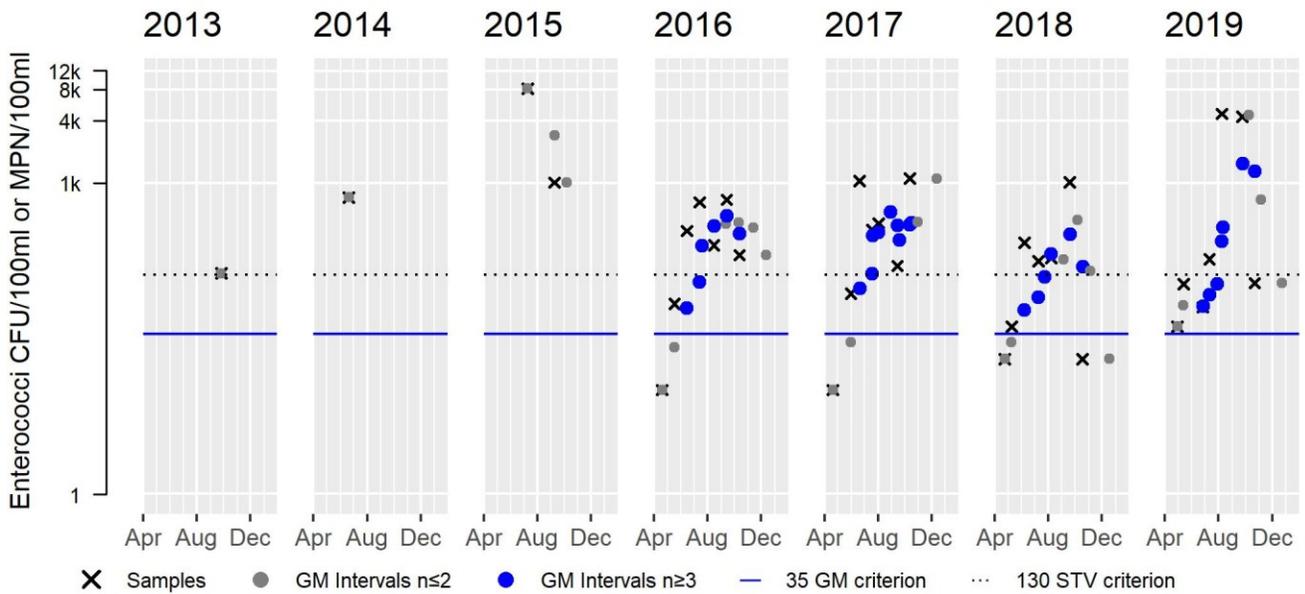
Station Code	Organization	Indicator	Start Date	End Date	Sample Count	Minimum Sample Result	Maximum Sample Result	Seasonal Geometric Mean
EPA_RR01	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	09/25/13	09/25/13	1	134	134	134
EPA_RR01	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	06/20/14	06/20/14	1	727	727	727
EPA_RR01	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	07/09/15	09/09/15	2	1010	8160	2871
EPA_RR01	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	04/19/16	10/12/16	7	10	689	176
EPA_RR01	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	04/20/17	10/12/17	7	10	1106	216
EPA_RR01	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	04/24/18	10/18/18	7	20	1014	106
EPA_RR01	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	04/29/19	10/22/19	7	41	4664	272

EPA_RR01 Enterococci (90-day Interval), Primary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res	Var	Res	Var	Res	Var	Res	Var	Res	Var	Res	Var	Res
Samples	1	Samples	1	Samples	2	Samples	7	Samples	7	Samples	7	Samples	7
SeasGM	134	SeasGM	727	SeasGM	2871	SeasGM	176	SeasGM	216	SeasGM	106	SeasGM	272
#GMI	0	#GMI	0	#GMI	0	#GMI	6	#GMI	9	#GMI	6	#GMI	7
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Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

Variable	Cumulative %GMI Ex (all years)	Cumulative %GMI Ex (last 5 years)
Result	100	100



Shellfish Growing Area Classifications

MassDEP Summary Statement for MassDFG Shellfish Growing Area Classification Data (Bettencourt August 25, 2021)
(MassDEP Undated 6)

Summary
Rocky Run (MA53-18): The total of all shellfish growing area classifications (Bettencourt August 25, 2021) within this AU is 0.0017 sq mi (62%). The approved shellfish growing area represents 0 sq mi (0%). Because the total of all shellfish growing area classifications is anything less than “approved”, the Primary Contact Recreational Use cannot be assessed for 2022 using the shellfish classification data.

Secondary Contact Recreation

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Not Supporting	NO

2022 Use Attainment Summary

Enterococcus bacteria data was collected in this Rocky Run AU (MA53-18) at Mason St. Rehoboth (EPA_RR01) once or twice a year 2013-2015 and then 7 times per year in 2016-2019. Analysis of the 2016-19 data indicated 29-75% of intervals had GMs >175 cfu/100ml in the 4 years and 2-3 samples in 3 of those years exceeded the 350 cfu/100ml STV. The Secondary Contact Recreational Use for this Rocky Run AU (MA53-18) is assessed as Not Supporting because of elevated *Enterococcus* bacteria which is being added as an impairment.

Monitoring Stations

Station Code	Organization	Type	Water Body	Station Description	Latitude	Longitude
EPA_RR01	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Rocky Run	Rocky Run @ Mason Street, Rehoboth	41.782417	-71.274411

*Bacteria Data***Bacteria Data Collected by MassDEP and External Data Providers 2011-2020 (90-day Interval Analysis) (EPA 2020)**

(MassDEP Undated 3)

[Result units are CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml]

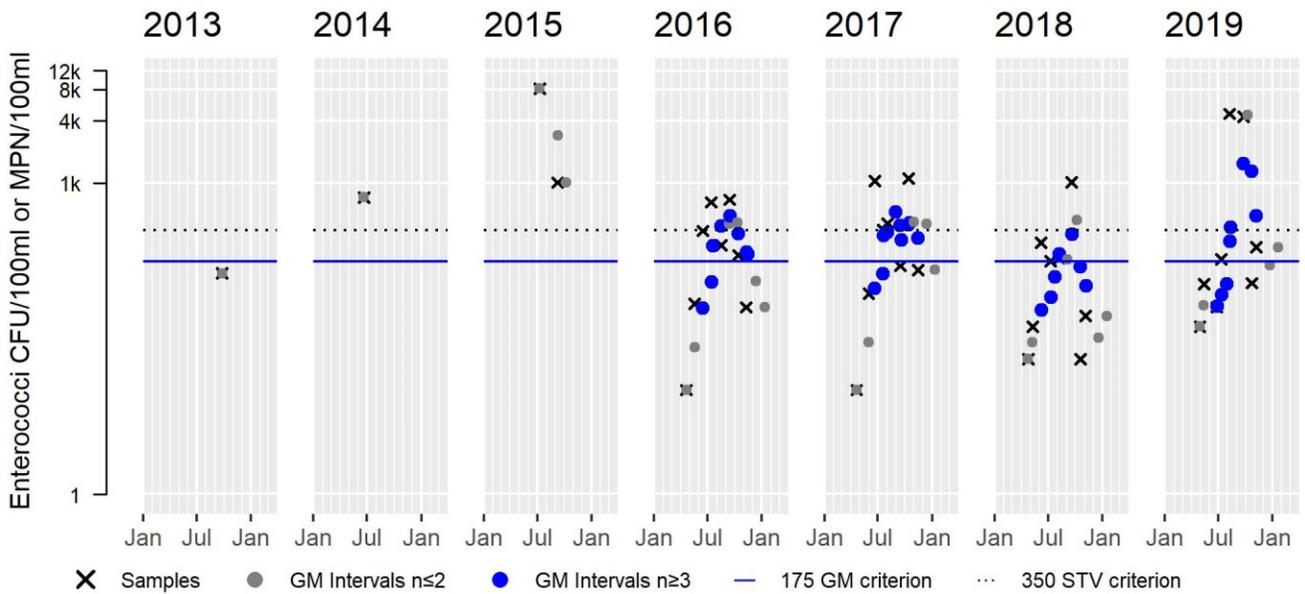
Station Code	Organization	Indicator	Start Date	End Date	Sample Count	Minimum Sample Result (CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml)	Maximum Sample Result (CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml)	Seasonal Geometric Mean (CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml)
EPA_RR01	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	09/25/13	09/25/13	1	134	134	134
EPA_RR01	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	06/20/14	06/20/14	1	727	727	727
EPA_RR01	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	07/09/15	09/09/15	2	1010	8160	2871
EPA_RR01	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	04/19/16	11/09/16	8	10	689	155
EPA_RR01	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	04/20/17	11/14/17	8	10	1106	206
EPA_RR01	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	04/24/18	11/05/18	8	20	1014	97
EPA_RR01	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	04/29/19	11/06/19	8	41	4664	268

EPA_RR01 Enterococci (90-day Interval), Secondary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res	Var	Res	Var	Res	Var	Res	Var	Res	Var	Res	Var	Res
Samples	1	Samples	1	Samples	2	Samples	8	Samples	8	Samples	8	Samples	8
SeasGM	134	SeasGM	727	SeasGM	2871	SeasGM	155	SeasGM	206	SeasGM	97	SeasGM	268
#GMI	0	#GMI	0	#GMI	0	#GMI	8	#GMI	10	#GMI	7	#GMI	8
#GMI Ex	0	#GMI Ex	0	#GMI Ex	0	#GMI Ex	6	#GMI Ex	8	#GMI Ex	2	#GMI Ex	5
%GMI Ex	0	%GMI Ex	0	%GMI Ex	0	%GMI Ex	75	%GMI Ex	80	%GMI Ex	29	%GMI Ex	62
n>STV	0	n>STV	1	n>STV	2	n>STV	2	n>STV	3	n>STV	1	n>STV	2
%n>STV	0	%n>STV	100	%n>STV	100	%n>STV	25	%n>STV	38	%n>STV	12	%n>STV	25

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Variable	Cumulative %GMI Ex (all years)	Cumulative %GMI Ex (last 5 years)
Result	64	64



Shellfish Growing Area Classifications

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 (MassDEP Undated 6)

Summary

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Rumney Marsh Brook (MA53-09)

Location:	Headwaters, east of Locust Avenue, Rehoboth to confluence with Beaverdam Brook, Rehoboth.
AU Type:	RIVER
AU Size:	1.3 MILES
Classification/Qualifier:	B

No usable data were available for Rumney Marsh Brook (MA53-09) for the 2022 Integrated Reporting cycle, therefore its category, use attainments, impairments, associated actions, and sources remain unchanged from the previous cycle.

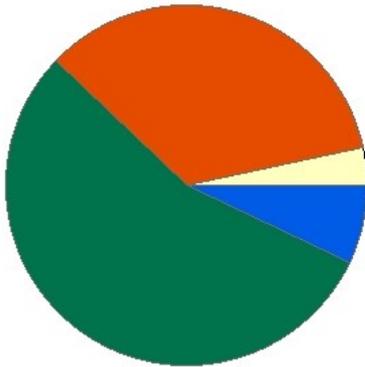
2018/20 AU Category	2022 AU Category	Impairment	ATTAINS Action ID	Impairment Change Summary
3	3	None		Unchanged

Runnins River (MA53-01)

Location:	Route 44, Seekonk to Mobile Dam, Seekonk, MA/East Providence, RI (through former 2008 segment: Burrs Pond MA53001).
AU Type:	RIVER
AU Size:	3.7 MILES
Classification/Qualifier:	B

Runnins River - MA53-01

Watershed Area: 7.45 square miles



Percent Agriculture
 Percent Natural
 Percent Developed
 Percent Wetland

Landuse Type	Entire Basin	5km Radius Proximal Subbasin	100m Stream Buffer	Proximal Stream Buffer
Land Use Area (square miles)	7.45	3.51	1.89	0.85
Agriculture	3.4%	1.3%	3.3%	1.5%
Developed	34.4%	49.6%	21.6%	35.6%
Natural	55.2%	45.5%	61.4%	52.9%
Wetland	7%	3.6%	13.6%	10%
Impervious Cover	17.3%			

2018/20 AU Category	2022 AU Category	Impairment	ATTAINS Action ID	Impairment Change Summary
5	5	(Fish Passage Barrier*)		Added
5	5	Benthic Macroinvertebrates		Unchanged
5	5	Dissolved Oxygen		Unchanged
5	5	Escherichia Coli (E. Coli)	38903	Unchanged
5	5	Fecal Coliform	38903	Unchanged
5	5	Mercury in Fish Tissue	33880	Unchanged
5	5	Nutrient/Eutrophication Biological Indicators		Unchanged

Impairment	Source (Confirmed Y/N)	Fish, other Aquatic Life and Wildlife	Fish Consumption	Aesthetic	Primary Contact Recreation	Secondary Contact Recreation
(Fish Passage Barrier*)	Dam or Impoundment (Y)	X				
Benthic Macroinvertebrates	Source Unknown (N)	X				
Dissolved Oxygen	Discharges from Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4) (N)	X				
Dissolved Oxygen	Source Unknown (N)	X				

Impairment	Source (Confirmed Y/N)	Fish, other Aquatic Life and Wildlife	Fish Consumption	Aesthetic	Primary Contact Recreation	Secondary Contact Recreation
Escherichia Coli (E. Coli)	Agriculture (Y)				X	X
Escherichia Coli (E. Coli)	Discharges from Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4) (N)				X	X
Escherichia Coli (E. Coli)	On-site Treatment Systems (Septic Systems and Similar Decentralized Systems) (Y)				X	X
Fecal Coliform	Agriculture (Y)				X	X
Fecal Coliform	Discharges from Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4) (N)				X	X
Fecal Coliform	On-site Treatment Systems (Septic Systems and Similar Decentralized Systems) (Y)				X	X
Mercury in Fish Tissue	Atmospheric Deposition - Toxics (Y)		X			
Mercury in Fish Tissue	Source Unknown (N)		X			
Nutrient/Eutrophication Biological Indicators	Discharges from Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4) (N)	X				
Nutrient/Eutrophication Biological Indicators	Source Unknown (N)	X				

Designated Use Attainment Decisions

Fish, other Aquatic Life and Wildlife

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Not Supporting	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
<p>DMF biologists note three structures causing passage limitation to diadromous fish in the lower half of this Runnins River AU (MA53-01). From upstream to downstream: the Old Grist Mill Pond Dam (NATID# MA02218) located just upstream of Mill Road; the Burr Pond Dam (NATID# MA02473) located upstream of Leonard Street and the Mobile Dam (ID# unknown) located right at the downstream end of the AU (all three in Seekonk), were all given passage scores of "10" on a 0-10 scale, indicating that all three dams allow no possible passage of the targeted fish species, river herring and American eel. The population score was noted to be "1" in the area of all three structures. No other recent monitoring data (biological or physico-chemical) were collected.</p> <p>The Aquatic Life Use for this Runnins River AU (MA53-01) will continue to be assessed as Not Supporting with the Benthic Macroinvertebrates, Dissolved Oxygen, and Nutrient Eutrophication Biological Indicators impairments being carried forward. A Fish Passage Barrier impairment is being added based on the barrier to diadromous fish passage at the three dams mentioned above so the former alert is being removed.</p>	

Monitoring Stations

Station Code	Organization	Type	Water Body	Station Description	Latitude	Longitude
W0651	MassDEP	Water Quality	Runnins River	[School Street, Seekonk]	41.788377	-71.329520
W2427	MassDEP	Water Quality	Runnins River	[Mink Street, Seekonk]	41.789748	-71.331999

Biological Monitoring Information

Habitat and Flow Data (anthropogenic alterations)

MassDMF Status of Priority Diadromous Fish Passage Barriers. (Chase 2020)

Assessment Summary
DMF biologists note three structures causing passage limitation to diadromous fish in the lower half of this Runnins River AU. From upstream to downstream: the Old Grist Mill Pond Dam (NATID# MA02218) located just upstream of Mill Road; the Burr Pond Dam (NATID# MA02473) located upstream of Leonard Street and the Mobile Dam (ID# unknown) located right at the bottom of the AU (all three in Seekonk), were all given passage scores of "10" on a 0-10 scale, indicating that all three dams allow no possible passage of the targeted fish species, river herring and American eel. The population score was noted to be "1" in the area of all three structures. The Aquatic Life Use for Runnins River (Assessment Unit MA53-01) is assessed as Not Supporting, based on the barrier to diadromous fish passage at the three dams mentioned above.

Physico-chemical Water Quality Information

Nutrients (Primary Producer Screening, Physico-chemical Screening)

MassDEP Nutrient Enrichment Indicator Data (2011-2018). (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

[Summer seasonal total phosphorus data collected May-Sept]

Station Code	Data Year	Seasonal TP Count	Seasonal TP Min (mg/L)	Seasonal TP Max (mg/L)	Seasonal TP Avg (mg/L)	Delta DO Max (mg/L)	Delta DO Avg (mg/L)	DO Sat Max (%)	pH Max (SU)	Count Algal Obsv.	Dense/V. Dense Film/Fila. Algae
W0651	2013	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	1	0
W2427	2013	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	1	0

Fish Consumption

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Not Supporting	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
Because of the site-specific fish consumption advisory for the Burrs Pond impoundment of this Runnins River AU (MA53-01) due to mercury contamination, the Fish Consumption Use will continue to be assessed as Not Supporting with the Mercury in Fish Tissue impairment being carried forward.	

As previously reported (MassDEP 2009), fish were collected from the Burrs Pond impoundment of this Runnins River AU (MA53-01) in 1999 and the edible fillets were analyzed for metals (As, Cd, Hg, Pb, Se), PCBs, and organochlorine pesticides (Maietta 2007). Due to the presence of elevated mercury in largemouth bass, MA DPH issued the following advisory recommending:

- "Children under 12 years of age, pregnant women, nursing mothers, and women of childbearing age who may become pregnant should refrain from consuming largemouth bass from Burrs Pond" and
- "The general public should limit consumption of largemouth bass to two meals per month."

Aesthetic

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Fully Supporting	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
MassDEP staff recorded three sets of observations at two sites along this Runnins River AU (MA53-01) in Seekonk, during the summer of 2013: Mink Street (W2427) and School Street (W0651). There were generally no noted objectionable conditions (odors, deposits, growths, or turbidity) recorded by DWM-WPP field sampling crews at either of these stations (n=3 in both cases). The Aesthetics Use for this Runnins River AU (MA53-01) is assessed as Fully Supporting.	

Monitoring Stations

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W2427	MassDEP	Water Quality	Runnins River	[Mink Street, Seekonk]	41.789748	-71.331999

Aesthetic Observations

Aesthetics Summary Statements for MassDEP Stations (2011-2018) (MassDEP Undated 5)

Station Code	Waterbody	Data Year	Field Sheet Count	Aesthetics Summary Statement
W0651	Runnins River	2013	3	MassDEP aesthetics observations for station W0651 on Runnins River can be summarized as follows: there were generally no noted objectionable conditions (odors, deposits, growths, or turbidity) recorded by DEP field sampling crews during summer 2013.
W2427	Runnins River	2013	3	MassDEP aesthetics observations for station W2427 on Runnins River can be summarized as follows: there were generally no noted objectionable conditions (odors, deposits, growths, or turbidity) recorded by DEP field sampling crews during summer 2013.

Observations of Filamentous/Film Algae at MassDEP Stations (2011-2018) (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

Station Code	Data Year	Field Sheet Count	Field Sheet Count w/ Film & Filamentous Algae Observations	Dense/ Very Dense Film/ Filamentous Algae
W0651	2013	3	1	0
W2427	2013	3	1	0

MassDEP Aesthetics Observations (2011-2018) (MassDEP Undated 8)

Station Code	Waterbody	Data Year	Parameter	Result	Result Count	Total Field Sheet Count
W0651	Runnins River	2013	Color	Light Yellow/Tan	2	3
W0651	Runnins River	2013	Color	NR	1	3
W0651	Runnins River	2013	Objectionable Deposits	Not Applicable (N/A)	3	3
W0651	Runnins River	2013	Odor	None	1	3
W0651	Runnins River	2013	Odor	NR	1	3

Station Code	Waterbody	Data Year	Parameter	Result	Result Count	Total Field Sheet Count
W0651	Runnins River	2013	Odor	Other	1	3
W0651	Runnins River	2013	Scum	Not Applicable (N/A)	3	3
W0651	Runnins River	2013	Turbidity	Moderately Turbid	1	3
W0651	Runnins River	2013	Turbidity	NR	1	3
W0651	Runnins River	2013	Turbidity	Slightly Turbid	1	3
W2427	Runnins River	2013	Color	Light Yellow/Tan	2	3
W2427	Runnins River	2013	Color	NR	1	3
W2427	Runnins River	2013	Objectionable Deposits	Not Applicable (N/A)	3	3
W2427	Runnins River	2013	Odor	NR	1	3
W2427	Runnins River	2013	Odor	Other	2	3
W2427	Runnins River	2013	Scum	Not Applicable (N/A)	3	3
W2427	Runnins River	2013	Turbidity	Highly Turbid	1	3
W2427	Runnins River	2013	Turbidity	NR	1	3
W2427	Runnins River	2013	Turbidity	Slightly Turbid	1	3

Primary Contact Recreation

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Not Supporting	YES
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
<p><i>E. coli</i> and <i>Enterococcus</i> bacteria samples were collected by MassDEP staff at the downstream end of this Runnings River AU (MA53-01) at the following sampling stations (data years): 1-2 times per year – Mink Street (W2427) and School Street (W0651) (2013). There were never more than two samples within a 90-day GM interval, however 3 out of the 5 <i>E. coli</i> samples exceed the 410 cfu/100ml STV with seasonal GMs ranging 570-757 cfu/100ml; and both of the <i>Enterococcus</i> samples exceed the 130 cfu/100ml STV with a max of 1300 cfu/100ml at School St (W0651). MassDEP staff also conducted Bacteria Source Tracking (BST) work on the river and a summary of that effort's notes is as follows: Despite the identification of hotspot areas (in particular the "triangle area" between Mink and School Streets); human marker analysis for the triangle area in 2013 and 2017, indicated "inconclusive" evidence of a human source. Since the analysis indicated no caffeine or detergents (only the bacteroidetes markers were present), this can be indicative of a bird bacteria source. No correctable human source was ever found, and stormwater management was recommended. Too limited recent data are available to assess the Primary Recreational Use for this Runnings River AU (MA53-01) according to the CALM "Use Attainment Impairment Decision Schema". The Primary Contact Recreational Use will, therefore, continue to be assessed as Not Supporting with the <i>E. coli</i> and Fecal Coliform impairments being carried forward. An alert is being identified for elevated <i>Enterococcus</i> bacteria based on high counts in the river at School Street in 2013.</p>	

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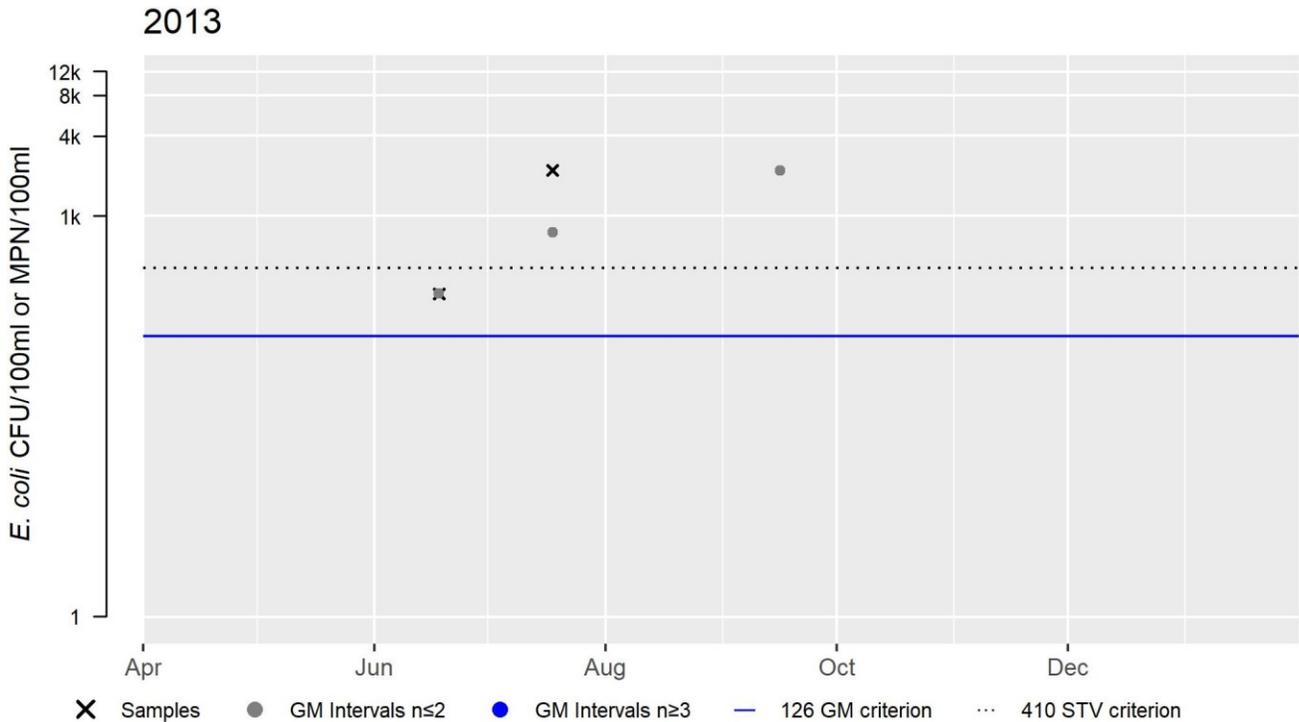
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Station Code	Organization	Indicator	Start Date	End Date	Sample Count	Minimum Sample Result	Maximum Sample Result	Seasonal Geometric Mean
W0651	MassDEP	E. coli	06/18/13	07/18/13	2	262	2190	757
W0651	MassDEP	Enterococci	10/01/13	10/01/13	1	1300	1300	1300
W2427	MassDEP	E. coli	06/18/13	07/18/13	2	262	1240	570
W2427	MassDEP	Enterococci	10/01/13	10/01/13	1	630	630	630

W0651 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Primary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	2
SeasGM	757
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
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n>STV	1
%n>STV	50

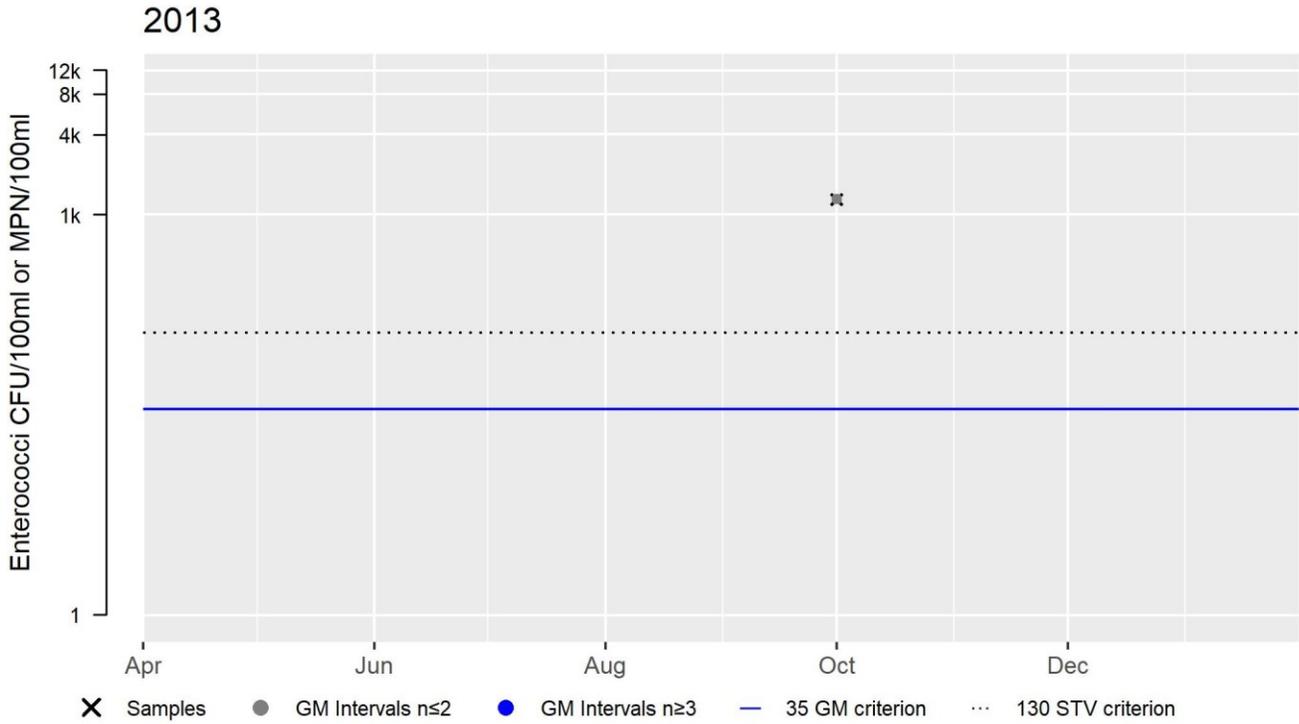
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W0651 Enterococci (90-day Interval), Primary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	1
SeasGM	1300
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	1
%n>STV	100

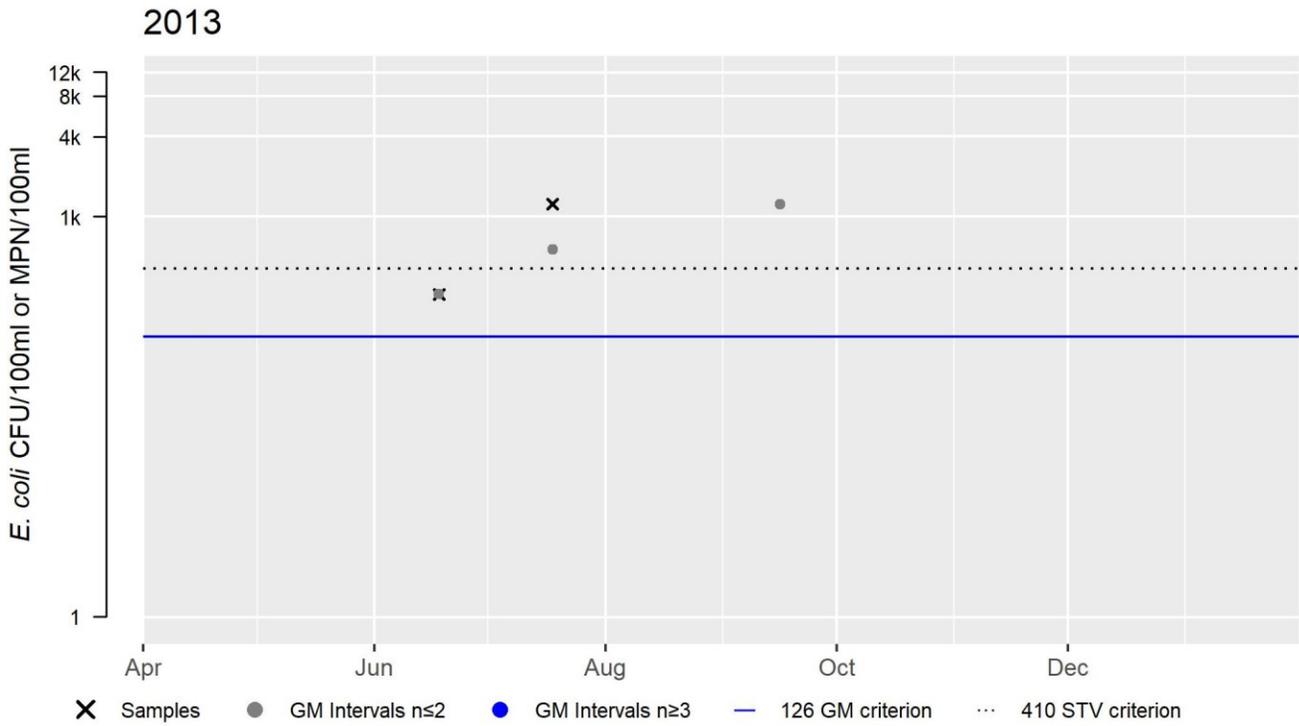
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W2427 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Primary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	2
SeasGM	570
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	1
%n>STV	50

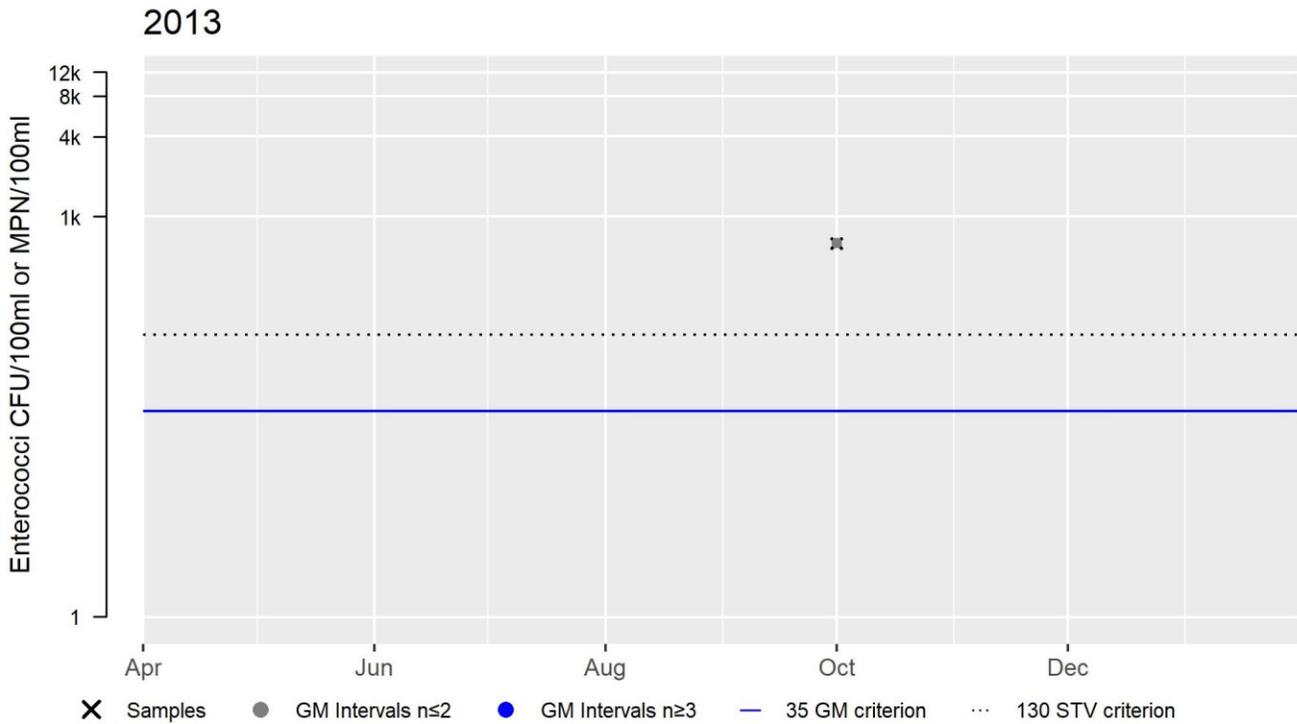
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W2427 Enterococci (90-day Interval), Primary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	1
SeasGM	630
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	1
%n>STV	100

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MassDEP Bacteria Source Tracking (BST) Summary Statement for 2011-2019 (MassDEP Undated 1)

Summary

Prior to 2011, BST work was conducted along the Runnins River AU (MA53-01) and in 4 unnamed tributaries; with a max *E. coli* count of 12,033MPN at School Street. Additional BST work was conducted between 2012-2014 and in 2017, at 6 sites along Runnins River and on 3 unnamed tributaries, with *E. coli* counts ranging 10 to 7,701MPN. Despite the identification of hotspot areas (in particular the "triangle area" between Mink and School Streets); human marker analysis for the triangle area in 2013 and 2017, indicated "inconclusive" evidence of a human source. It was further noted that since the human marker analysis indicated no caffeine or detergents, but only the bacteroidetes markers, this can be indicative of a bird bacteria source. Based on the human marker results and the low dry weather bacteria counts at all the tributaries and stormdrains in the triangle area, further BST work was halted. Stormwater management was recommended. No correctable source was ever found.

Secondary Contact Recreation

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Not Supporting	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
<p><i>E. coli</i> and <i>Enterococcus</i> bacteria samples were collected by MassDEP staff at the downstream end of this Runnings River AU (MA53-01) at Mink Street (W2427) and School Street (W0651) in June and July 2013. Too limited bacteria data are available to assess the Secondary Contact Recreational Use for this Runnings River AU (MA53-01) according to the CALM "Use Attainment Impairment Decision Schema". The Secondary Contact Recreational Use for this Runnings River AU (MA53-01) will continue to be assessed as Not Supporting with the <i>E. coli</i> and Fecal Coliform impairments being carried forward.</p>	

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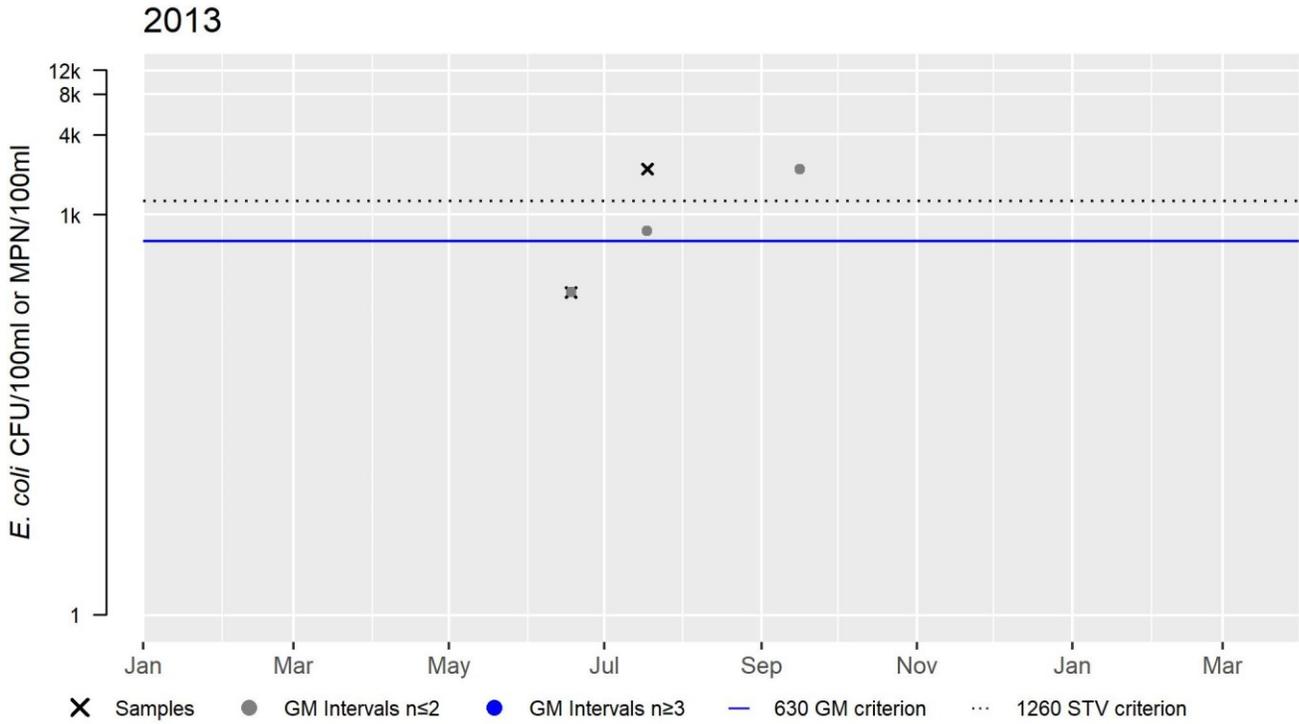
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Station Code	Organization	Indicator	Start Date	End Date	Sample Count	Minimum Sample Result (CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml)	Maximum Sample Result (CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml)	Seasonal Geometric Mean (CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml)
W0651	MassDEP	E. coli	06/18/13	07/18/13	2	262	2190	757
W2427	MassDEP	E. coli	06/18/13	07/18/13	2	262	1240	570

W0651 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Secondary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	2
SeasGM	757
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	1
%n>STV	50

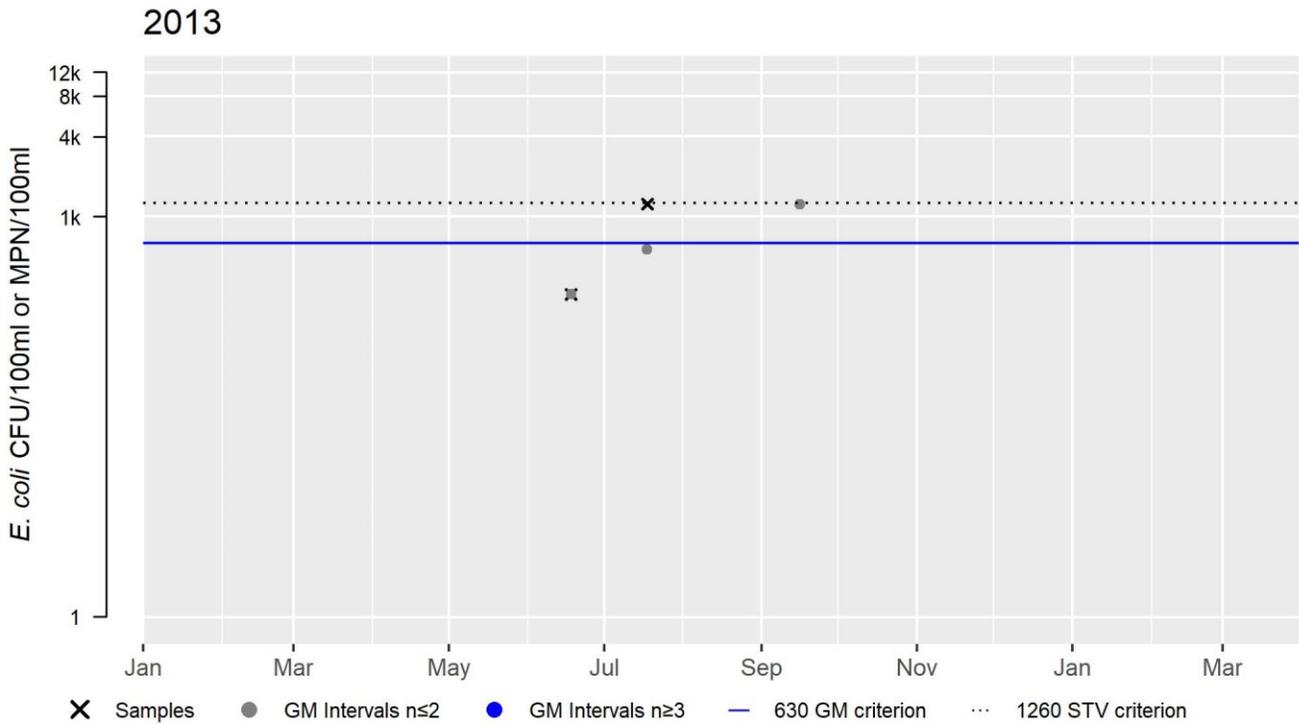
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W2427 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Secondary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	2
SeasGM	570
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

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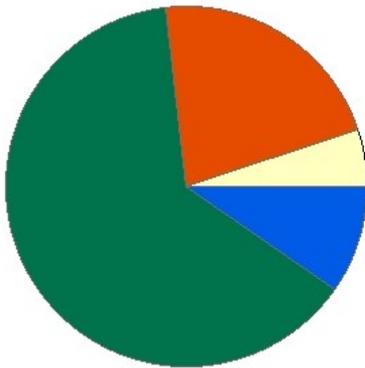


Runnins River (MA53-20)

Location:	Headwaters just north of Walnut Street, Rehoboth to Route 44, Seekonk.
AU Type:	RIVER
AU Size:	3.5 MILES
Classification/Qualifier:	B

Runnins River - MA53-20

Watershed Area: 4.1 square miles



Landuse Type	Entire Basin	5km Radius Proximal Subbasin	100m Stream Buffer	Proximal Stream Buffer
Land Use Area (square miles)	4.1	3.69	1.09	1.04
Agriculture	5.1%	5.5%	4.6%	4.8%
Developed	21.8%	23.2%	10.4%	10.7%
Natural	63.4%	62.9%	69.2%	70.2%
Wetland	9.7%	8.4%	15.7%	14.3%
Impervious Cover	8.1%			

Percent Agriculture
 Percent Natural
 Percent Developed
 Percent Wetland

2018/20 AU Category	2022 AU Category	Impairment	ATTAINS Action ID	Impairment Change Summary
5	5	Benthic Macroinvertebrates		Added
5	5	Escherichia Coli (E. Coli)		Unchanged

Impairment	Source (Confirmed Y/N)	Fish, other Aquatic Life and Wildlife	Fish Consumption	Aesthetic	Primary Contact Recreation	Secondary Contact Recreation
Benthic Macroinvertebrates	Source Unknown (N)	X				
Escherichia Coli (E. Coli)	Agriculture (N)				X	
Escherichia Coli (E. Coli)	Discharges from Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4) (N)				X	
Escherichia Coli (E. Coli)	On-site Treatment Systems (Septic Systems and Similar Decentralized Systems) (N)				X	

Recommendations

2022 Recommendations
ALU: Conduct additional water column clean metals sampling in this Runnins River AU (MA53-20) downstream from Arcade Avenue, Seekonk, MA (W2408) to better evaluate if there is a lead contamination issue here (identified with alert, two samples slightly exceeded chronic lead criteria).

Designated Use Attainment Decisions

Fish, other Aquatic Life and Wildlife

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Not Supporting	YES
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
<p>MassDEP biologists conducted water quality monitoring in this Runnins River AU (MA53-20) downstream from Arcade Avenue, Seekonk, MA as part of the MAP2 probabilistic Wadeable Streams Monitoring project. Biological (benthic and fish) sampling was conducted in July (B0866) and September 2013 (SampleID 5078), respectively. The benthic community IBI score was indicative of moderately degraded conditions (44) while the fish sample in this low-moderate gradient habitat was comprised of 23% fluvial fishes with 38% of the sample intolerant/moderately tolerant macrohabitat generalists. During the summer 2013, water quality sampling (W2408) data were indicative of generally good conditions as follows: Deployed probe for DO (two 3-5 day deploys) DADMin 5.2 mg/L, deployed probes for temperature (June 1st – September 15th and two 3-5 day deploys) documented a max temperature of 26.7°C with a max 24hr rolling average of 25.2°C. Discrete sampling: DO minimum of 6mg/L (n=2); pH ranged 6.5-6.6SU (n=2); max temperature 23.6°C (n=2). There was no evidence of nutrient enrichment issues: no observations of dense/very dense filamentous algae, maximum diel DO shift of 2.8mg/L, maximum DO saturation 97.8%, and the seasonal average total phosphorus was 0.065mg/L (max 0.091mg/L, n=5). Specific conductance was low (max 237µS/cm, n=2) as were chloride concentrations (max 45mg/L, n=4), and total ammonia nitrogen concentrations (max 0.05mg/L, n=4 with no toxicity estimated). Two of three of the metals samples slightly exceeded the chronic criteria for lead (TU 1.0 and 1.1), but there were no other acute or chronic metals criteria exceedances. The Aquatic Life Use of this Runnins River AU (MA53-20) is assessed as Not Supporting based on the moderately degraded benthic macroinvertebrates. An Alert is also being identified because of the two chronic lead criteria exceedances.</p>	

Monitoring Stations

Station Code	Organization	Type	Water Body	Station Description	Latitude	Longitude
5078	MassDEP	Fish Community	Runnins River	~50ft DS/SW of Arcade Ave, US of UNT to NW bank	41.83046	-71.32982
B0866	MassDEP	Benthic	Runnins River/	[approximately 15 meters downstream/southwest from Arcade Avenue, Seekonk, MA (upstream of unnamed tributary on northwestern bank)]	41.830588	-71.329937
W1955	MassDEP	Water Quality	Runnins River	[Arcade Avenue, Seekonk]	41.830667	-71.329713
W2408	MassDEP	Water Quality	Runnins River	[approximately 50 feet downstream/southwest from Arcade Avenue, Seekonk (upstream of unnamed tributary on northwestern bank)]	41.830588	-71.329937
W2441	MassDEP	Water Quality	Runnins River	[Ledge Road, Seekonk]	41.836247	-71.323196
W2442	MassDEP	Water Quality	Runnins River	[Greenwood Avenue, Seekonk]	41.835710	-71.316507

Station Code	Organization	Type	Water Body	Station Description	Latitude	Longitude
W2449	MassDEP	Water Quality	Runnins River	[approximately 700 feet upstream/northeast of Ledge Road, Seekonk (upstream of private road crossing)]	41.835765	-71.321287
W2505	MassDEP	Water Quality	Runnins River	[approximately 370 feet upstream/east of Ledge Road, Seekonk]	41.836297	-71.322141
W2567	MassDEP	Water Quality	Runnins River	[approximately 150 feet upstream/north of Ledge Road, Seekonk]	41.836467	-71.322721
W2568	MassDEP	Water Quality	Runnins River	[approximately 260 feet upstream/north of Ledge Road, Seekonk]	41.836486	-71.322396

Biological Monitoring Information

Benthic Macroinvertebrate Data

MassDEP Benthic Macroinvertebrate Data (2011-2017). (MassDEP Undated 4)

[Index Biological Condition Class: E= Exceptional, S= Satisfactory, MD= Moderately Degraded, SD= Severely Degraded; High Gradient IBI Thresholds: E= 100-75, S= 74-55, MD= 54-35, SD= 34-0; Low Gradient IBI Thresholds: E= 100-81, S= 80-62, MD= 61-38, SD= 37-0; R qualifier = Rarefaction (100ct) <55]

Station Code	Collection Date	Collection Method	Index Type	Organism Count	Index Score	Index Biological Condition Class
B0866	07/10/13	RBP multihab	Statewide_Low_Gradient	275	44	MD

Fish Community Data and DELTS

Fish Community Data (2012-2019) Provided by MassDFG. (MassDFG 2020) (MassDEP Undated 2)

[Sample Type: TP= Total Pickup, SP= Selective Pickup, Method: BT=Boat Shocking, BP= Backpack Shocking, BG= Barge Shocking, SE= Seine, SL= Snorkel, NS= Not Stated, MT= Minnow Trap, GN= Gillnet, FY= Fyke Net, Gradient: H = High, L = Low; I/MT MG= Intolerant/Moderately Tolerant Macrohabitat Generalist]

[Species List: AE = American Eel, GS = Golden Shiner, P = Pumpkinseed, RP = Redfin Pickerel, TD = Tessellated Darter]

Sample ID	Sample Date	Method	Sample Type	Gradient	Total Taxa	Total Ind	Cold Ind %	Fluvial Taxa	Fluvial Ind %	Intol Ind %	I/MT MG Taxa	I/MT MG Ind %	Notables	CFR	Species List
5078	09/17/13	NS	TP		5	73	0%	1	23%	0%	2	38%	No	No	AE, GS, P, RP, TD,

Physico-chemical Water Quality Information

DO, pH, Temperature

MassDEP Short-term Continuous Dissolved Oxygen Data (2011-2018). (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

[Note: Most deploys 3-5 days in length; Day Count= total # of days over all deploys; XDADMin= 3-5 Day Average of the Daily Minima, XDADA= 3-5 Day Average of the Daily Average, CW= Coldwater, WW= Warmwater]

Station Code	Data Year	Deploys Count	Day Count	DO Min (mg/L)	Min XDADMin (mg/L)	Min XDADA (mg/L)	Delta DO Max (mg/L)	Count CW XDADMin <6.0	Count CW 1Day Min <5.0	Count WW Early Life Stages XDADA <6.5	Count WW Early Life Stages 1Day Min <5.0	Count WW Other Life Stages XDADMin <5.0	Count WW Other Life Stages 1Day Min <4.0
W2408	2013	2	8	5	5.2	5.7	2.8	1	0	1	0	0	0

MassDEP Discrete Dissolved Oxygen Data (2011-2018). (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

[CW= Coldwater, WW= Warmwater]

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	DO Count	DO Min (mg/L)	DO Avg (mg/L)	Count CW <5.0	Count WW Early Life Stages <5.0	Count WW Other Life Stages <4.0
W2408	05/15/13	09/18/13	2	6	6.4	0	0	0

MassDEP Long-term Continuous Temperature Data (Summer Index 2011-2018). (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

[Summer Index is June 1 – Sept 15; Max Daily Mean= Maximum 24-Hour Average, 7DADM= 7-Day Average of the Daily Maxima, 7DADA= 7-Day Average of the Daily Average, CW= Coldwater, WW= Warmwater Note: In the case of more than one row of data in the same year for a site, different types of temperature probes were deployed.]

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	Index Count	7day Count	Max Daily Mean (°C)	Max Temp (°C)	Max 7DADM (°C)	Max 7DADA (°C)	Count CWTier1 7DADM >20	Count CWTier1 Daily Mean >23.5	Count CWTier2 7DADA >21	Count CWTier2 Daily Mean >24.1	Count WW 7DADM >27.7	Count WW Daily Mean >28.3
W2408	06/01/13	09/15/13	106	99	24.9	26.6	25.4	24.0	66	10	27	4	0	0

MassDEP Short-term Continuous Temperature Data (Summer Index 2011-2018). (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

[Summer Index is June 1 – Sept 15; Most Deploys 3-5 Days in Length; Day Count= total # of days over all deploys; Max Daily Mean= Maximum 24-Hour Average, XDADM= 3-5 Day Average of the Daily Maxima, XDADA= 3-5 Day Average of the Daily Average, CW= Coldwater, WW= Warmwater]

Station Code	Data Year	Deploys Count	Day Count	Max Daily Mean (°C)	Max Temp (°C)	Max XDADM (°C)	Max XDADA (°C)	Count CWTier1 XDADM >20	Count CWTier1 Daily Mean >23.5	Count CWTier2 XDADA >21	Count CWTier2 Daily Mean >24.1	Count WW XDADM >27.7	Count WW Daily Mean >28.3
W2408	2013	2	8	25.1	26.7	25.2	23.9	1	2	1	2	0	0

24-hour Rolling Average Calculations for MassDEP Short- and Long-term Continuous Temperature Data (Summer Index 2011-2018). (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

[Summer Index is June 1 – Sept 15; CW= Coldwater, WW= Warmwater Note: In the case of more than one row of data in the same year for a site, different types of temperature probes were deployed.]

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	Count Days Deployed	24hr Rolling Count	Max 24hr Avg Rolling Temp (°C)	Count CWTier1 24hr Avg Rolling >23.5 °C	Count CWTier2 24hr Avg Rolling >24.1 °C	Count WW 24hr Avg Rolling >28.3°C
W2408	06/01/13	09/15/13	107	5134	25.0	500	192	0
W2408	07/18/13	08/20/13	33	389	25.2	109	95	0

MassDEP Discrete Temperature Data (2011-2018). (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

[Summer Index is June 1 – Sept 15; CW= Coldwater, WW= Warmwater]

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	Temp Count	Index Count	Temp Max (°C)	Temp Avg (°C)	Count CW >20	Count CW >22	Count WW >28.3	Count WW >30.3
W2408	05/15/13	09/18/13	4	2	23.6	18.1	2	1	0	0

MassDEP Discrete pH Data (2011-2018). (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	pH Count	pH Min (SU)	pH Max (SU)	pH Count <6.5 & >8.3	pH Count <6.0 & >8.8
W2408	05/15/13	09/18/13	2	6.5	6.6	0	0

Nutrients (Primary Producer Screening, Physico-chemical Screening)

MassDEP Nutrient Enrichment Indicator Data (2011-2018). (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

[Summer seasonal total phosphorus data collected May-Sept]

Station Code	Data Year	Seasonal TP Count	Seasonal TP Min (mg/L)	Seasonal TP Max (mg/L)	Seasonal TP Avg (mg/L)	Delta DO Max (mg/L)	Delta DO Avg (mg/L)	DO Sat Max (%)	pH Max (SU)	Count Algal Obsv.	Dense/V. Dense Film/Fila. Algae
W1955	2013	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	2	0
W2408	2013	5	0.046	0.091	0.065	2.8	1.0	97.8	6.6	7	0
W2441	2013	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	1	0
W2441	2014	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	1	0
W2442	2013	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	1	0
W2449	2013	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	1	0
W2505	2015	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	1	0
W2567	2015	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	2	0
W2568	2015	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	1	0

Toxics and other pollutants (metals, ammonia, chloride, chlorine)

MassDEP Clean Metals Water Column Data (2011-2018), Acute Criteria Violations. (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

[CMC= Criterion Maximum Concentration, TU= Toxic Unit]

Station Code	Data Year	Metals Count	As CMC TU >1	Cd CMC TU >1	Cr III CMC TU >1	Cu CMC TU >1	Pb CMC TU >1	Ni CMC TU >1	Ag CMC TU >1	Zn CMC TU >1
W2408	2013	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

MassDEP Clean Metals Water Column Data (2011-2018), Chronic Criteria Violations. (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

[CCC= Criterion Continuous Concentration, TU= Toxic Unit]

Station Code	Data Year	Metals Count	As CCC TU >1	Cd CCC TU >1	Cr III CCC TU >1	Cu CCC TU >1	Pb CCC TU >1	Ni CCC TU >1	Se CCC TU >1	Zn CCC TU >1
W2408	2013	3	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0

MassDEP Clean Metals Water Column Data (2011-2018), Selected TU Calculations. (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

[CMC= Criterion Maximum Concentration, CCC= Criterion Continuous Concentration, TU= Toxic Unit]

Station Code	Sample Date	Cd CMC TU	Cd CCC TU	Cu CMC TU	Cu CCC TU	Pb CMC TU	Pb CCC TU
W2408	05/20/13	0.1	0.3	0.3	0.36	0.0	0.6
W2408	07/01/13	0.2	0.4	0.2	0.32	0.0	1.0
W2408	08/12/13	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.39	0.0	1.1

MassDEP Dissolved Aluminum Water Column Data (2011-2018). (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

[Since only dissolved aluminum data were available, these data were compared to the default freshwater criteria for total recoverable aluminum (TRA), presented in Appendix E of MassDEP's 2022 CALM. As dissolved Al is a fraction of TRA, an exceedance count of 0 does not rule out violations of the TRA criteria. CMC= Criterion Maximum Concentration, CCC= Criterion Continuous Concentration, TU= Toxic Unit]

Station Code	Data Year	Dissolved Al Count	Al Min (mg/L)	Al Max (mg/L)	Al Avg (mg/L)	Al CMC TU Max	Al CCC TU Max	Al CMC TU >1	Al CCC TU >1
W2408	2013	3	0.084	0.16	0.135	0.4	0.7	0	0

MassDEP Total Ammonia Nitrogen (TAN) Data (2011-2018). (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

[TAN= NH3 + NH4+]

Station Code	Data Year	TAN Count	TAN Min (mg/L)	TAN Max (mg/L)	TAN Avg (mg/L)	Count TAN >Chronic	Count TAN >Acute
W2408	2013	4	0.030	0.050	0.040	0	0

MassDEP Chloride Data (2011-2018). (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

Station Code	Data Year	Chloride Count	Chloride Min (mg/L)	Chloride Max (mg/L)	Chloride Avg (mg/L)	Count Chloride >230	Count Chloride >860
W2408	2013	4	10	45	31	0	0

MassDEP Discrete Specific Conductance Data (2011-2018) Compared to Estimated Chloride Criteria. (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	SpCond Count	SpCond Min (µs/cm)	SpCond Max (µs/cm)	Count SpCond >904	Count SpCond >994	Count SpCond >3193	Count SpCond >3512	Consecutive sets >904	Consecutive sets >994
W2408	05/15/13	09/18/13	2	193	237	0	0	0	0	0	0

Fish Consumption

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Not Assessed	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
No site-specific fish consumption advisory has been issued by DPH; therefore, the Fish Consumption Use for this Runnins River AU (MA53-20) is Not Assessed.	

Aesthetic

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Fully Supporting	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
MassDEP staff recorded observation information along this Runnins River AU (MA53-20) in Seekonk, consisting of the following stations (data years): Greenwood Avenue (W2442) (2013); ~ 700 feet upstream Ledge Road (W2449) (2013); ~370 feet upstream Ledge Road (W2505) (2014-2015); ~260 feet upstream Ledge Road (W2568) (2015); ~150 feet upstream Ledge Road (W2567) (2015); Ledge Road (W2441) (2013-2015); Arcade Avenue (W1955) (2013) & ~50 feet downstream Arcade Avenue, Seekonk (W2408) (2013) (overall n=28). While data were limited to two observations at most sites/sampling year, there were many observations of the river at Arcade Ave, Seekonk (W2408) during the summer 2013. There were generally no noted objectionable conditions (odors, deposits, growths, or turbidity) recorded by DEP field sampling crews at any of the stations for any of the data years. The Aesthetics Use for this Runnins River AU (MA53-20) will continue to be assessed as Fully Supporting.	

Monitoring Stations

Station Code	Organization	Type	Water Body	Station Description	Latitude	Longitude
W1955	MassDEP	Water Quality	Runnins River	[Arcade Avenue, Seekonk]	41.830667	-71.329713
W2408	MassDEP	Water Quality	Runnins River	[approximately 50 feet downstream/southwest from Arcade Avenue, Seekonk (upstream of unnamed tributary on northwestern bank)]	41.830588	-71.329937
W2441	MassDEP	Water Quality	Runnins River	[Ledge Road, Seekonk]	41.836247	-71.323196
W2442	MassDEP	Water Quality	Runnins River	[Greenwood Avenue, Seekonk]	41.835710	-71.316507
W2449	MassDEP	Water Quality	Runnins River	[approximately 700 feet upstream/northeast of Ledge Road, Seekonk (upstream of private road crossing)]	41.835765	-71.321287
W2505	MassDEP	Water Quality	Runnins River	[approximately 370 feet upstream/east of Ledge Road, Seekonk]	41.836297	-71.322141
W2567	MassDEP	Water Quality	Runnins River	[approximately 150 feet upstream/north of Ledge Road, Seekonk]	41.836467	-71.322721
W2568	MassDEP	Water Quality	Runnins River	[approximately 260 feet upstream/north of Ledge Road, Seekonk]	41.836486	-71.322396

Aesthetic Observations

Aesthetics Summary Statements for MassDEP Stations (2011-2018) (MassDEP Undated 5)

Station Code	Waterbody	Data Year	Field Sheet Count	Aesthetics Summary Statement
W1955	Runnins River	2013	2	MassDEP aesthetics observations for station W1955 on Runnins River can be summarized as follows: there were generally no noted objectionable conditions (odors, deposits, growths, or turbidity) recorded by DEP field sampling crews during summer 2013. However, there is insufficient information to assess the Aesthetics Use since data were limited (n=2).
W2408	Runnins River	2013	8	MassDEP aesthetics observations for station W2408/MAP2-443 on Runnins River can be summarized as follows: there were generally no noted objectionable conditions (odors, deposits, growths, or turbidity) recorded by DEP field sampling crews during summer 2013.
W2441	Runnins River	2013	2	MassDEP aesthetics observations for station W2441 on Runnins River can be summarized as follows: there were generally no noted objectionable conditions (odors, deposits, growths, or turbidity) recorded by DEP field sampling crews during summer 2013. However, there is insufficient information to assess the Aesthetics Use since data were limited (n=2).
W2441	Runnins River	2014	2	MassDEP aesthetics observations for station W2441 on Runnins River can be summarized as follows: there were generally no noted objectionable conditions (odors, deposits, growths, or turbidity) recorded by DEP field sampling crews during summer 2014. However, there is insufficient information to assess the Aesthetics Use since data were limited (n=2).
W2441	Runnins River	2015	2	MassDEP aesthetics observations for station W2441 on Runnins River can be summarized as follows: there were generally no noted objectionable conditions (odors, deposits, growths, or turbidity) recorded by DEP field sampling crews during summer 2015. However, there is insufficient information to assess the Aesthetics Use since data were limited (n=2).
W2442	Runnins River	2013	2	MassDEP aesthetics observations for station W2442 on Runnins River can be summarized as follows: there were generally no noted objectionable conditions (odors, deposits, growths, or turbidity) recorded by DEP field sampling crews during summer 2013. However, there is insufficient information to assess the Aesthetics Use since data were limited (n=2).
W2449	Runnins River	2013	2	MassDEP aesthetics observations for station W2449 on Runnins River can be summarized as follows: there were generally no noted objectionable conditions (odors, deposits, growths, or turbidity) recorded by DEP field sampling crews during summer 2013. However, there is insufficient information to assess the Aesthetics Use since data were limited (n=2).
W2505	Runnins River	2014	2	MassDEP aesthetics observations for station W2505 on Runnins River can be summarized as follows: there were generally no noted objectionable conditions (odors, deposits, growths, or turbidity) recorded by DEP field sampling crews during summer 2014. However, there is insufficient information to assess the Aesthetics Use since data were limited (n=2).
W2505	Runnins River	2015	2	MassDEP aesthetics observations for station W2505 on Runnins River can be summarized as follows: there were generally no noted objectionable conditions (odors, deposits, growths, or turbidity) recorded by DEP field sampling crews during summer 2015. However, there is insufficient information to assess the Aesthetics Use since data were limited (n=2).

Station Code	Waterbody	Data Year	Field Sheet Count	Aesthetics Summary Statement
W2567	Runnins River	2015	2	MassDEP aesthetics observations for station W2567 on Runnins River can be summarized as follows: there were generally no noted objectionable conditions (odors, deposits, growths, or turbidity) recorded by DEP field sampling crews during summer 2015. However, there is insufficient information to assess the Aesthetics Use since data were limited (n=2).
W2568	Runnins River	2015	2	MassDEP aesthetics observations for station W2568 on Runnins River can be summarized as follows: there were generally no noted objectionable conditions (odors, deposits, growths, or turbidity) recorded by DEP field sampling crews during summer 2015. However, there is insufficient information to assess the Aesthetics Use since data were limited (n=2).

Observations of Filamentous/Film Algae at MassDEP Stations (2011-2018) (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

Station Code	Data Year	Field Sheet Count	Field Sheet Count w/ Film & Filamentous Algae Observations	Dense/ Very Dense Film/ Filamentous Algae
W1955	2013	2	2	0
W2408	2013	8	7	0
W2441	2013	2	1	0
W2441	2014	2	1	0
W2441	2015	2	0	0
W2442	2013	2	1	0
W2449	2013	2	1	0
W2505	2014	2	0	0
W2505	2015	2	1	0
W2567	2015	2	2	0
W2568	2015	2	1	0

MassDEP Aesthetics Observations (2011-2018) (MassDEP Undated 8)

Station Code	Waterbody	Data Year	Parameter	Result	Result Count	Total Field Sheet Count
W1955	Runnins River	2013	Color	Light Yellow/Tan	2	2
W1955	Runnins River	2013	Objectionable Deposits	Not Applicable (N/A)	2	2
W1955	Runnins River	2013	Odor	None	2	2
W1955	Runnins River	2013	Scum	Not Applicable (N/A)	2	2
W1955	Runnins River	2013	Turbidity	Moderately Turbid	1	2
W1955	Runnins River	2013	Turbidity	Slightly Turbid	1	2
W2408	Runnins River	2013	Color	Dark Tan	1	8
W2408	Runnins River	2013	Color	Light Yellow/Tan	4	8
W2408	Runnins River	2013	Color	None	1	8
W2408	Runnins River	2013	Color	Reddish	2	8
W2408	Runnins River	2013	Objectionable Deposits	No	4	8
W2408	Runnins River	2013	Objectionable Deposits	Unobservable	1	8
W2408	Runnins River	2013	Objectionable Deposits	Yes	3	8
W2408	Runnins River	2013	Odor	None	8	8
W2408	Runnins River	2013	Scum	No	7	8

Station Code	Waterbody	Data Year	Parameter	Result	Result Count	Total Field Sheet Count
W2408	Runnins River	2013	Scum	Yes	1	8
W2408	Runnins River	2013	Turbidity	None	8	8
W2441	Runnins River	2013	Color	Light Yellow/Tan	1	2
W2441	Runnins River	2013	Color	None	1	2
W2441	Runnins River	2013	Objectionable Deposits	Not Applicable (N/A)	2	2
W2441	Runnins River	2013	Odor	None	2	2
W2441	Runnins River	2013	Scum	Not Applicable (N/A)	2	2
W2441	Runnins River	2013	Turbidity	Moderately Turbid	1	2
W2441	Runnins River	2013	Turbidity	Slightly Turbid	1	2
W2441	Runnins River	2014	Color	Light Yellow/Tan	1	2
W2441	Runnins River	2014	Color	None	1	2
W2441	Runnins River	2014	Objectionable Deposits	Not Applicable (N/A)	2	2
W2441	Runnins River	2014	Odor	None	2	2
W2441	Runnins River	2014	Scum	Not Applicable (N/A)	2	2
W2441	Runnins River	2014	Turbidity	Slightly Turbid	2	2
W2441	Runnins River	2015	Color	Light Yellow/Tan	2	2
W2441	Runnins River	2015	Objectionable Deposits	Not Applicable (N/A)	2	2
W2441	Runnins River	2015	Odor	None	2	2
W2441	Runnins River	2015	Scum	Not Applicable (N/A)	2	2
W2441	Runnins River	2015	Turbidity	Slightly Turbid	2	2
W2442	Runnins River	2013	Color	Light Yellow/Tan	1	2
W2442	Runnins River	2013	Color	None	1	2
W2442	Runnins River	2013	Objectionable Deposits	Not Applicable (N/A)	2	2
W2442	Runnins River	2013	Odor	None	2	2
W2442	Runnins River	2013	Scum	Not Applicable (N/A)	2	2
W2442	Runnins River	2013	Turbidity	Moderately Turbid	1	2
W2442	Runnins River	2013	Turbidity	Slightly Turbid	1	2
W2449	Runnins River	2013	Color	None	2	2
W2449	Runnins River	2013	Objectionable Deposits	Not Applicable (N/A)	2	2
W2449	Runnins River	2013	Odor	None	2	2
W2449	Runnins River	2013	Scum	Not Applicable (N/A)	2	2
W2449	Runnins River	2013	Turbidity	Moderately Turbid	1	2
W2449	Runnins River	2013	Turbidity	Slightly Turbid	1	2
W2505	Runnins River	2014	Color	Light Yellow/Tan	1	2
W2505	Runnins River	2014	Color	None	1	2
W2505	Runnins River	2014	Objectionable Deposits	Not Applicable (N/A)	2	2
W2505	Runnins River	2014	Odor	None	2	2
W2505	Runnins River	2014	Scum	Not Applicable (N/A)	2	2
W2505	Runnins River	2014	Turbidity	Slightly Turbid	2	2
W2505	Runnins River	2015	Color	Light Yellow/Tan	2	2
W2505	Runnins River	2015	Objectionable Deposits	Not Applicable (N/A)	2	2
W2505	Runnins River	2015	Odor	None	2	2
W2505	Runnins River	2015	Scum	Not Applicable (N/A)	2	2
W2505	Runnins River	2015	Turbidity	Slightly Turbid	2	2
W2567	Runnins River	2015	Color	Light Yellow/Tan	2	2
W2567	Runnins River	2015	Objectionable Deposits	Not Applicable (N/A)	2	2

Station Code	Waterbody	Data Year	Parameter	Result	Result Count	Total Field Sheet Count
W2567	Runnins River	2015	Odor	None	2	2
W2567	Runnins River	2015	Scum	Not Applicable (N/A)	2	2
W2567	Runnins River	2015	Turbidity	Slightly Turbid	2	2
W2568	Runnins River	2015	Color	Light Yellow/Tan	2	2
W2568	Runnins River	2015	Objectionable Deposits	Not Applicable (N/A)	2	2
W2568	Runnins River	2015	Odor	None	2	2
W2568	Runnins River	2015	Scum	Not Applicable (N/A)	2	2
W2568	Runnins River	2015	Turbidity	Slightly Turbid	2	2

Primary Contact Recreation

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Not Supporting	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
<p><i>E. coli</i> bacteria sample were collected by MassDEP staff along this Runnins River AU (MA53-20) at the following sampling stations (data years) as part of either Bacteria Source Tracking (BST) projects or as part of the MAP2 sampling project: MassDEP 1 to 5 times per year – Greenwood Avenue (W2442) (2013); ~ 700 feet upstream Ledge Road (W2449) (2013); ~370 feet upstream Ledge Road (W2505) (2014-2015); ~260 feet upstream Ledge Road (W2568) (2015); ~150 feet upstream Ledge Road (W2567) (2015); Ledge Road (W2441) (2013-2015); Arcade Avenue (W1955) (2013) & ~50 feet downstream Arcade Avenue, Seekonk (W2408) (2013). The BST work was conducted at 11 sites in total along the river between 2012 & 2015 with the following notes reported: “Despite the identification of hotspot areas (the Arcade Ave/Ledge Rd area), human marker analysis at Ledge Rd in 2015, indicated ‘none’, for evidence of a human source. No correctable source was ever found.” Too limited bacteria samples were collected at these BST sites to assess the Primary Contact Recreational Use for this AU according to the CALM “Use Attainment Impairment Decision Schema”. At Arcade Ave (W2408) in 2013, data analysis indicated 33% of intervals had GMs >126 cfu/100ml, only one sample exceeded the 410 cfu/100ml STV, with a seasonal GM of 108 cfu/100ml. Although these data do not exceed the CALM “Use Attainment Impairment Decision Schema” since bacteria data collected further upstream at Ledge Rd (W2441) significantly exceeded the STV 1-2 times in 2013 and 2014, the removal of the <i>E. coli</i> impairment is not considered to be warranted at this time. The Primary Contact Recreational Use for this Runnins River AU (MA53-20) will continue to be assessed as Not Supporting with the <i>E. coli</i> impairment being carried forward.</p>	

Monitoring Stations

Station Code	Organization	Type	Water Body	Station Description	Latitude	Longitude
W1955	MassDEP	Water Quality	Runnins River	[Arcade Avenue, Seekonk]	41.830667	-71.329713
W2408	MassDEP	Water Quality	Runnins River	[approximately 50 feet downstream/southwest from Arcade Avenue, Seekonk (upstream of unnamed tributary on northwestern bank)]	41.830588	-71.329937
W2441	MassDEP	Water Quality	Runnins River	[Ledge Road, Seekonk]	41.836247	-71.323196
W2442	MassDEP	Water Quality	Runnins River	[Greenwood Avenue, Seekonk]	41.835710	-71.316507
W2449	MassDEP	Water Quality	Runnins River	[approximately 700 feet upstream/northeast of Ledge Road, Seekonk (upstream of private road crossing)]	41.835765	-71.321287

Station Code	Organization	Type	Water Body	Station Description	Latitude	Longitude
W2505	MassDEP	Water Quality	Runnins River	[approximately 370 feet upstream/east of Ledge Road, Seekonk]	41.836297	-71.322141
W2567	MassDEP	Water Quality	Runnins River	[approximately 150 feet upstream/north of Ledge Road, Seekonk]	41.836467	-71.322721
W2568	MassDEP	Water Quality	Runnins River	[approximately 260 feet upstream/north of Ledge Road, Seekonk]	41.836486	-71.322396

Bacteria Data

Bacteria Data Collected by MassDEP and External Data Providers 2011-2020 (90-day Interval Analysis) (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

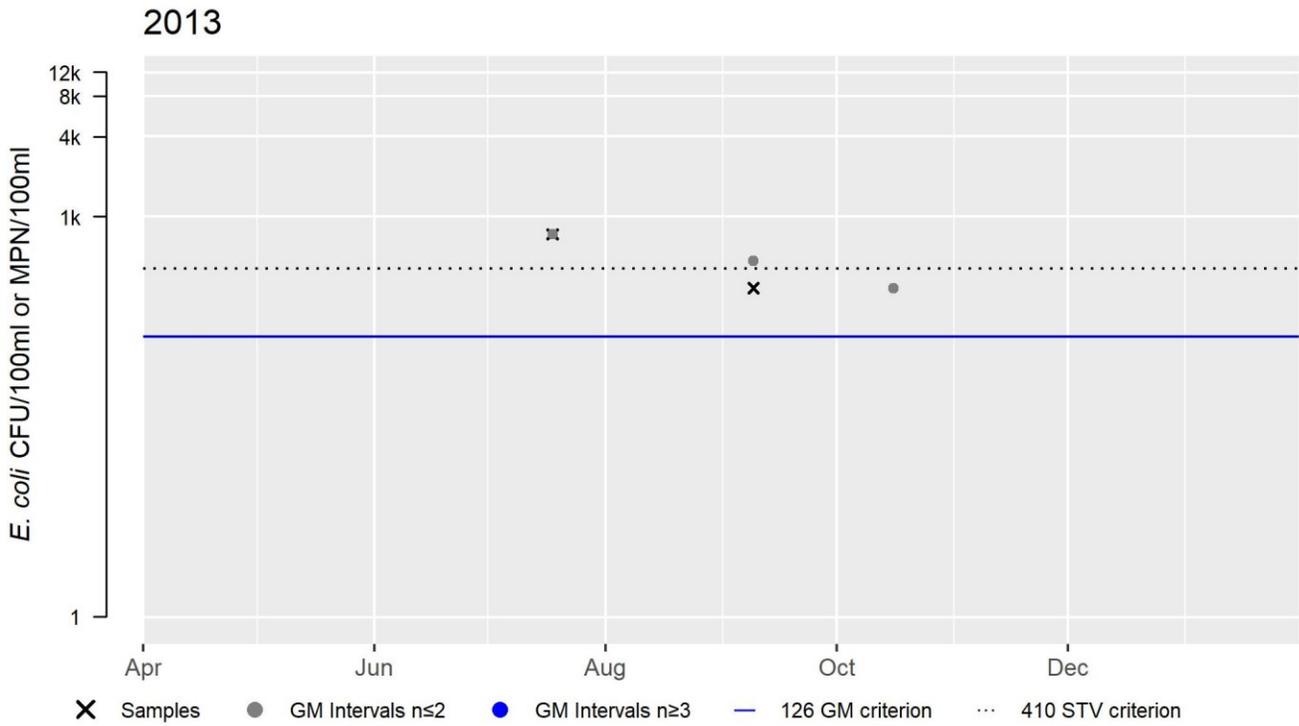
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Station Code	Organization	Indicator	Start Date	End Date	Sample Count	Minimum Sample Result	Maximum Sample Result	Seasonal Geometric Mean
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W2408	MassDEP	E. coli	05/16/13	09/11/13	5	30	417	108
W2441	MassDEP	E. coli	09/09/13	10/22/13	2	816	2419.6	1405
W2441	MassDEP	E. coli	06/09/14	07/31/14	2	199	7270	1203
W2441	MassDEP	Enterococci	08/19/14	08/19/14	1	1800	1800	1800
W2441	MassDEP	E. coli	05/07/15	07/07/15	2	41	178	85
W2442	MassDEP	E. coli	09/09/13	10/22/13	2	7	166	34
W2449	MassDEP	E. coli	10/22/13	10/22/13	1	14	14	14
W2505	MassDEP	E. coli	06/09/14	07/31/14	2	185	2419.6	669
W2505	MassDEP	E. coli	05/07/15	07/07/15	2	68	261	133
W2567	MassDEP	E. coli	05/07/15	07/07/15	2	71	365	161
W2568	MassDEP	E. coli	05/07/15	07/07/15	2	48	548	162

W1955 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Primary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	2
SeasGM	463
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	1
%n>STV	50

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

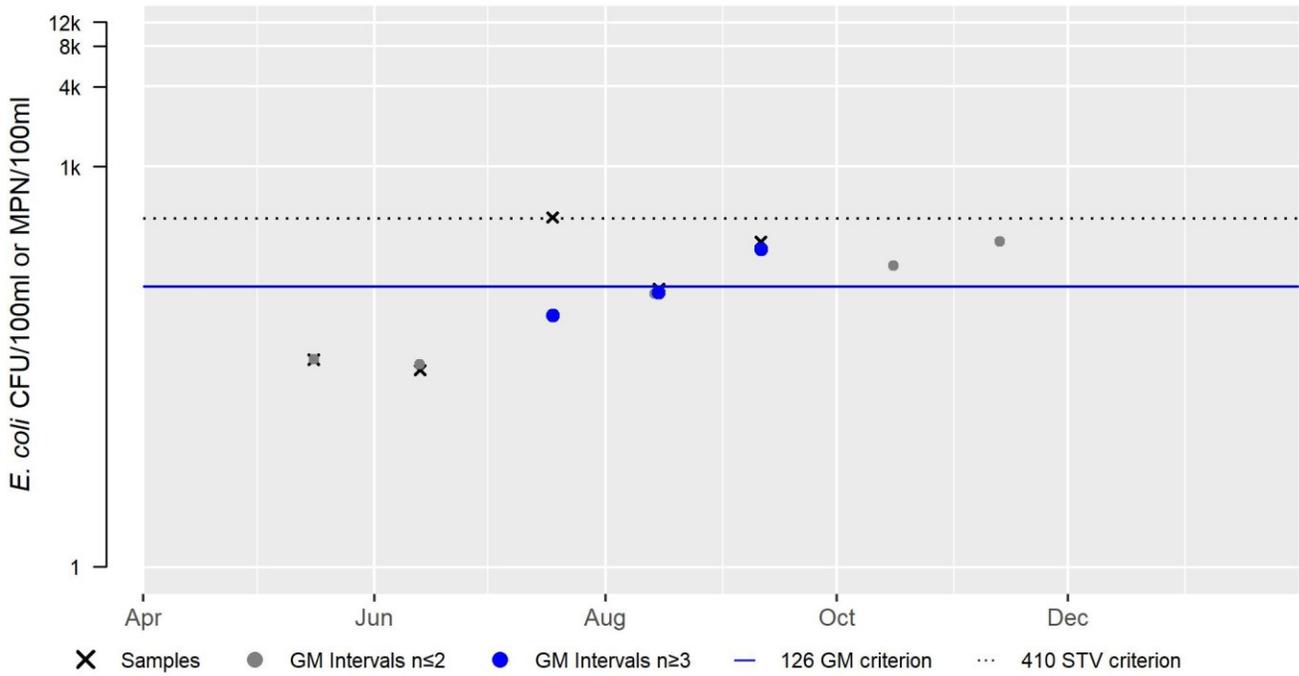


W2408 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Primary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	5
SeasGM	108
#GMI	3
#GMI Ex	1
%GMI Ex	33
n>STV	1
%n>STV	20

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

2013



W2441 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Primary Contact Recreational Use Season

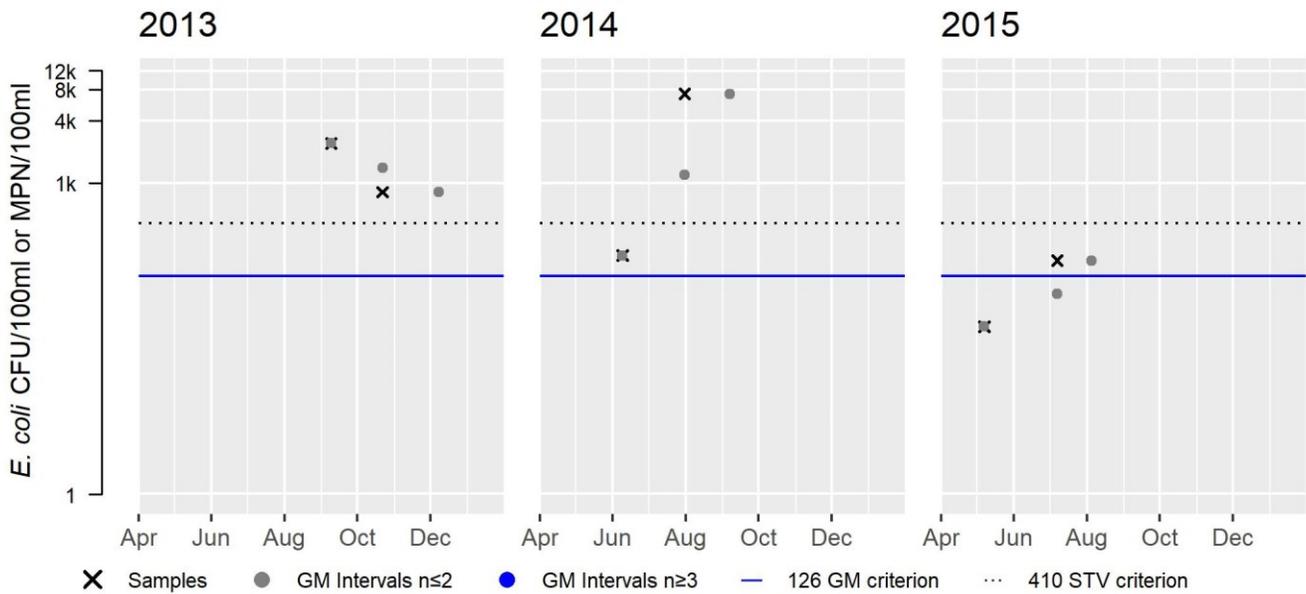
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SeasGM	1405
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#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	2
%n>STV	100

Var	Res
Samples	2
SeasGM	1203
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	1
%n>STV	50

Var	Res
Samples	2
SeasGM	85
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

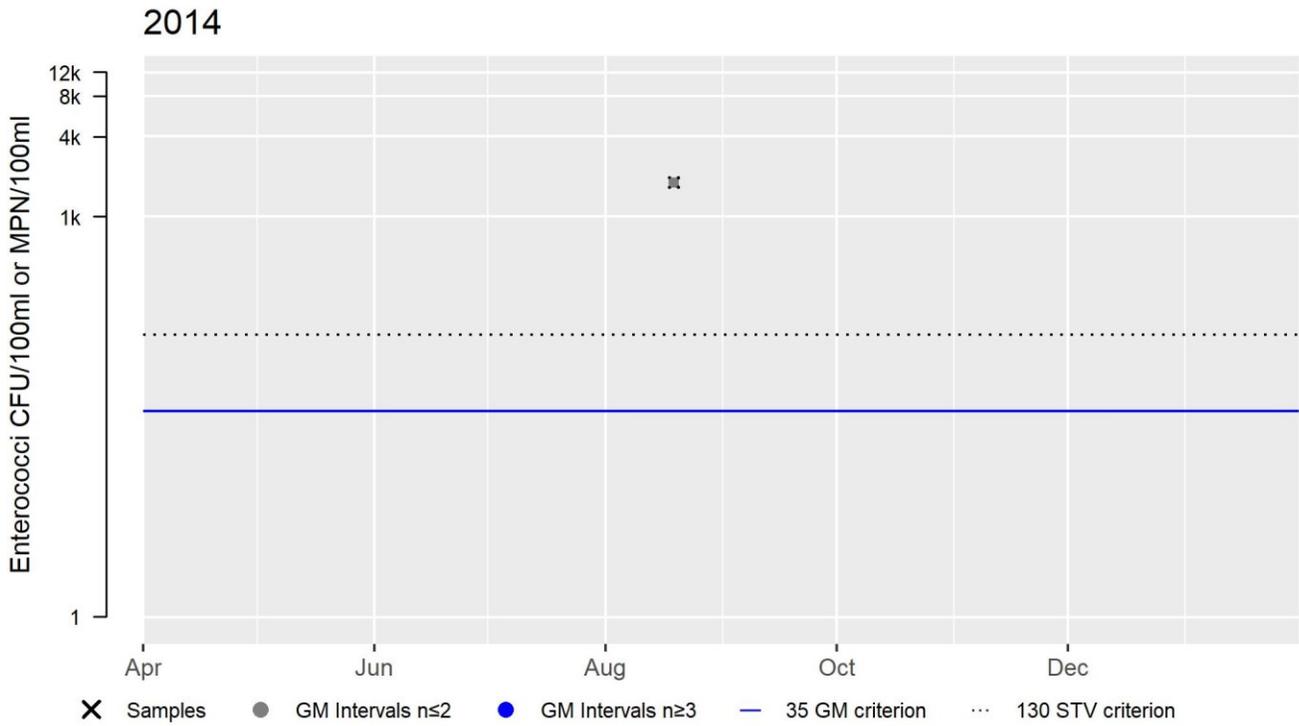
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Result	0



W2441 Enterococci (90-day Interval), Primary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	1
SeasGM	1800
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	1
%n>STV	100

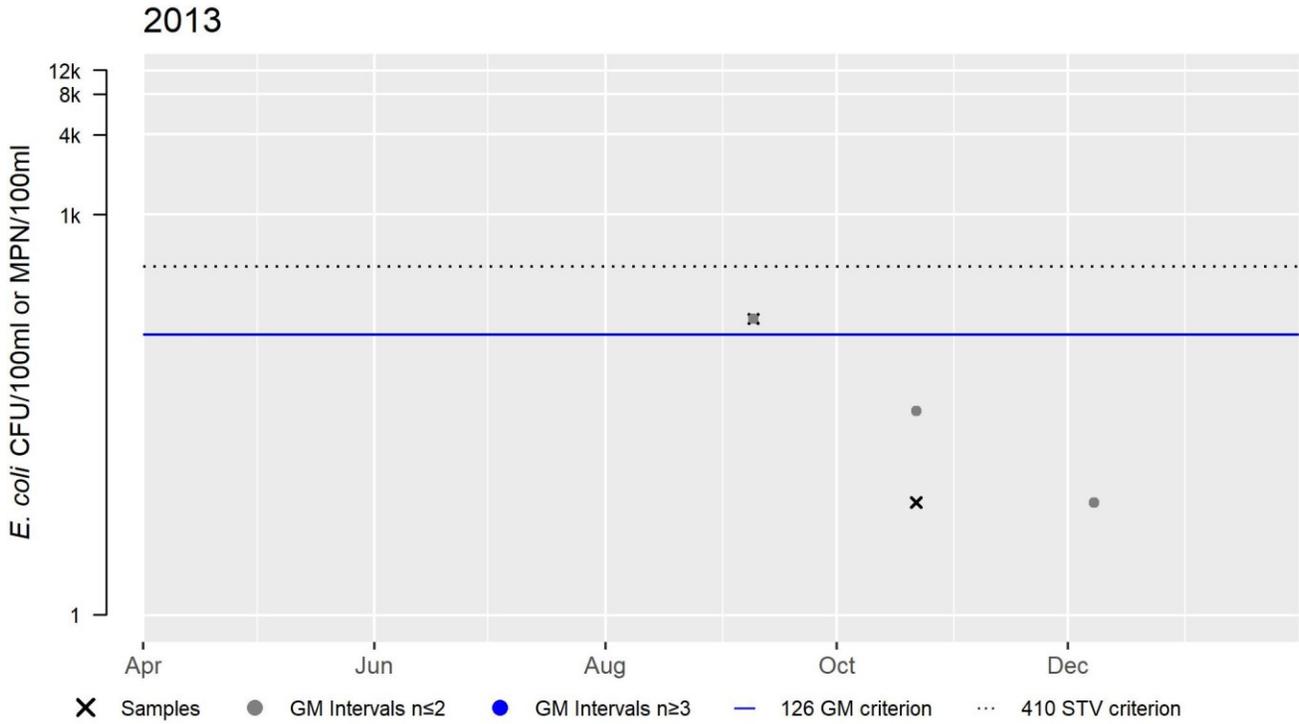
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W2442 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Primary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	2
SeasGM	34
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#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
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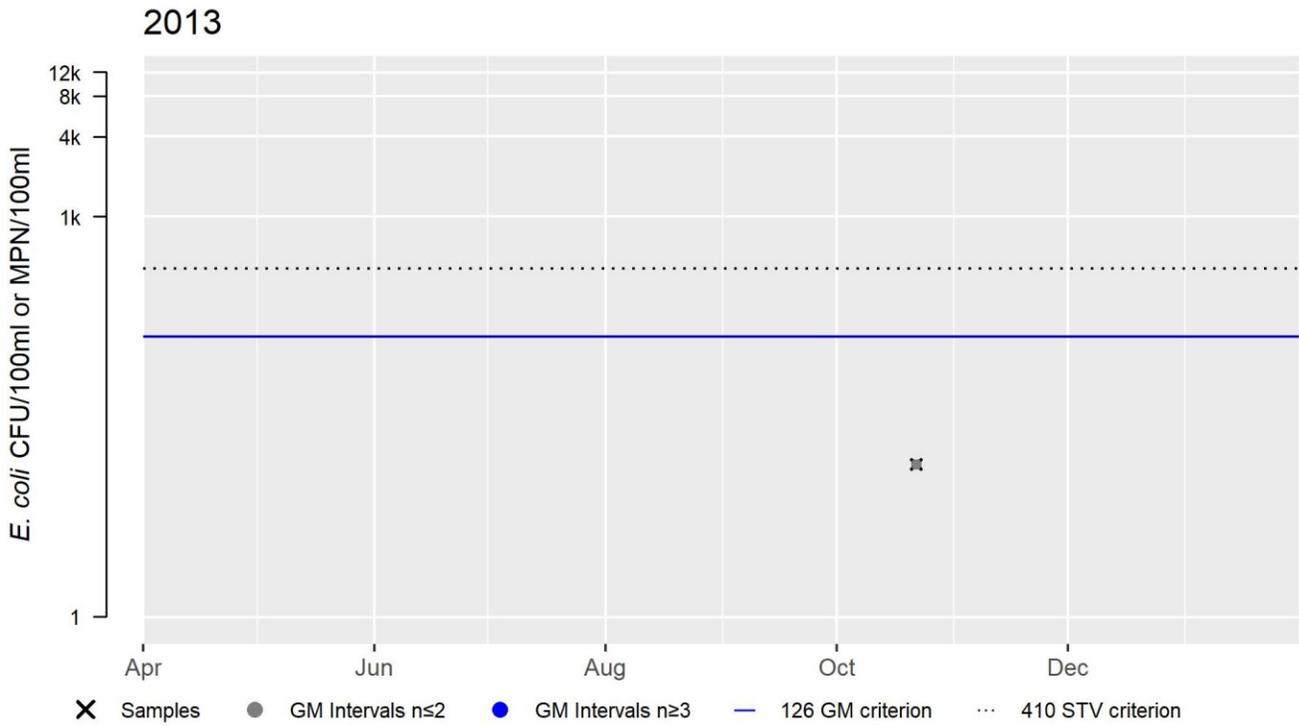
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W2449 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Primary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	1
SeasGM	14
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV



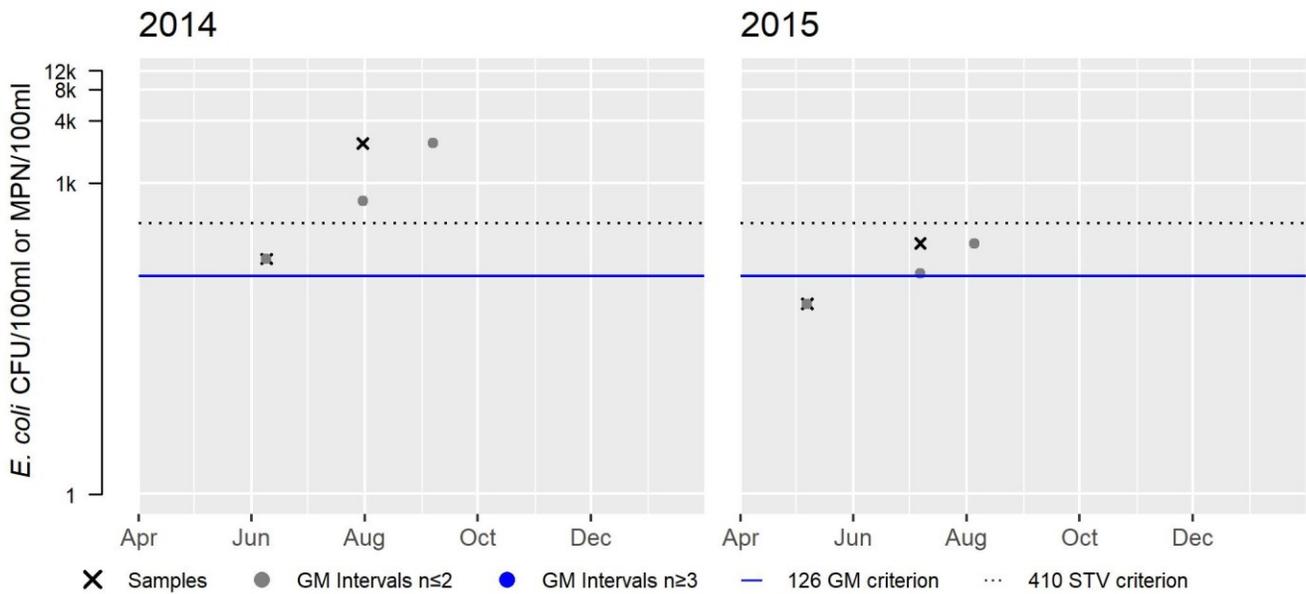
W2505 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Primary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	2
SeasGM	669
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	1
%n>STV	50

Var	Res
Samples	2
SeasGM	133
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

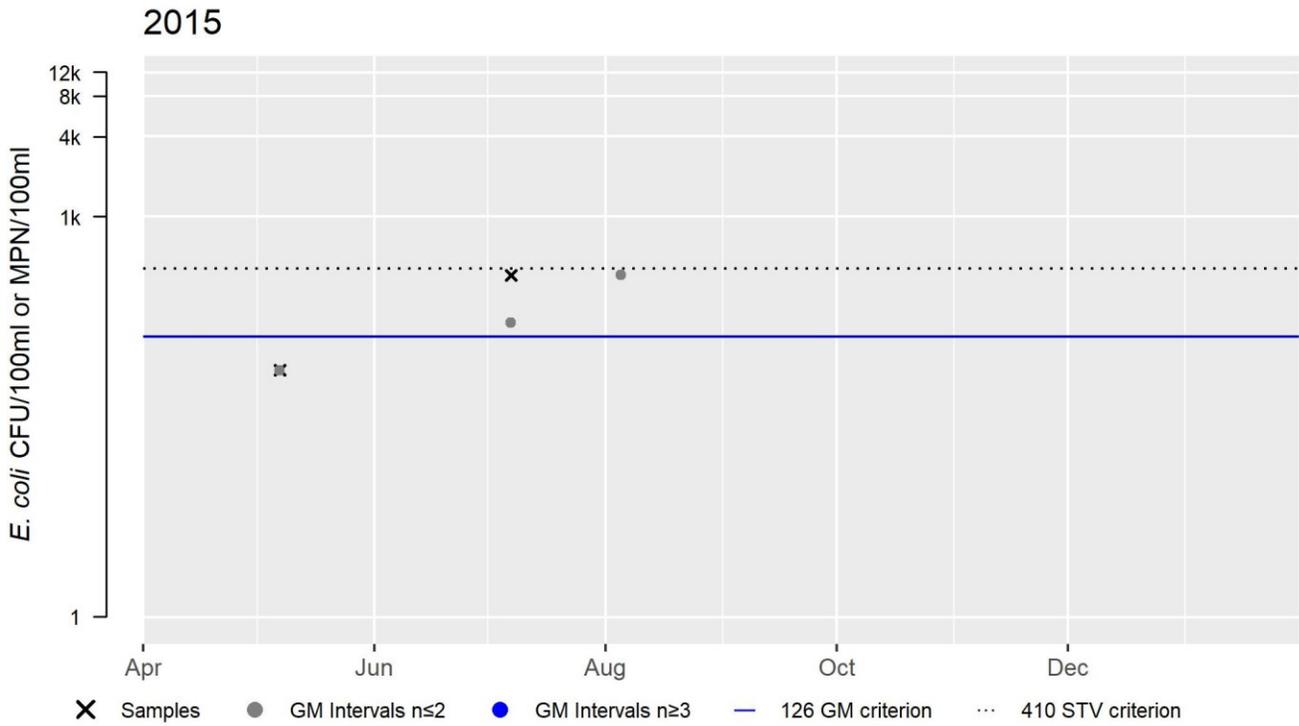
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Result	0



W2567 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Primary Contact Recreational Use Season

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SeasGM	161
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#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
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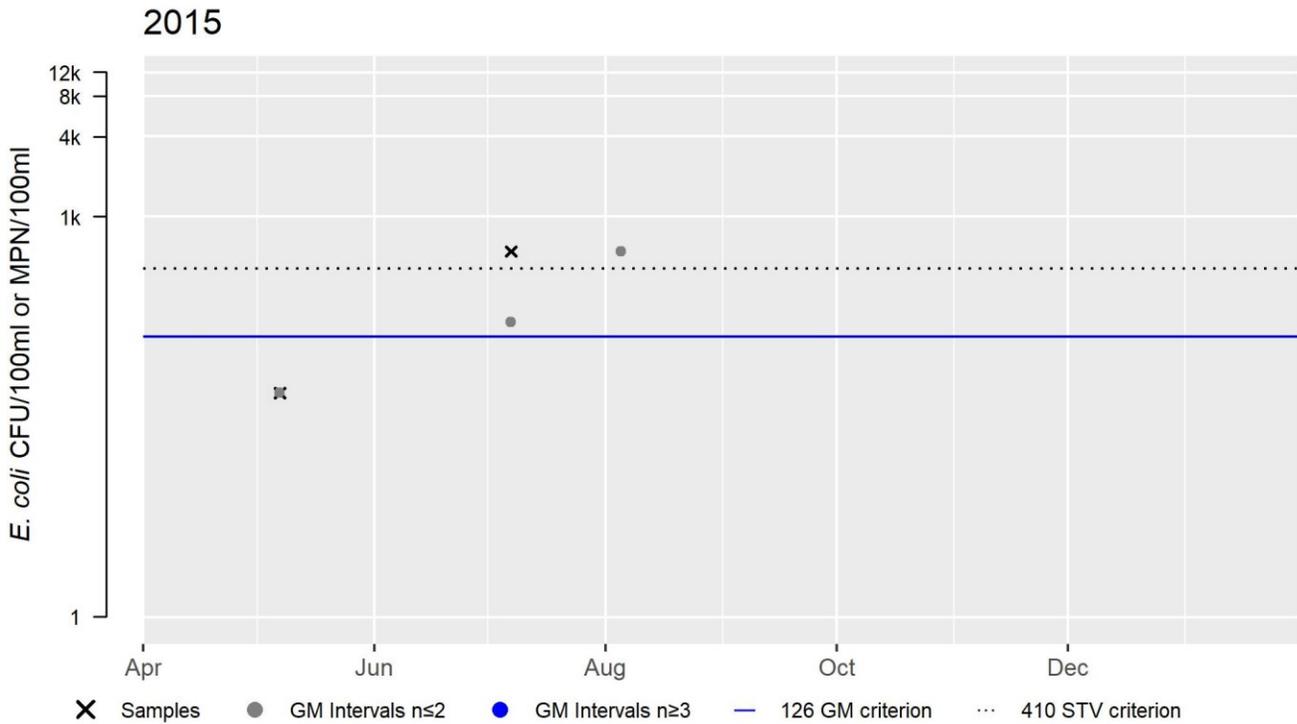
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W2568 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Primary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	2
SeasGM	162
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	1
%n>STV	50

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV



MassDEP Bacteria Source Tracking (BST) Summary Statement for 2011-2019 (MassDEP Undated 1)

Summary
Prior to 2011, BST work was conducted along the Runnins River AU (MA53-20) and in 1 unnamed tributary; with a max <i>E. coli</i> count of >2,419.6MPN at Arcade Ave. Additional BST work was conducted between 2012-2015, at 11 sites along Runnins River and in 1 unnamed tributary, with a max <i>E. coli</i> count of 8,664MPN. Despite the identification of hotspot areas (in particular the Arcade Ave/Ledge Rd area); human marker analysis at Ledge Rd in 2015, indicated "none", for evidence of a human source. No correctable source was ever found.

Secondary Contact Recreation

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Fully Supporting	YES
2022 Use Attainment Summary	

E. coli bacteria sample were collected by MassDEP staff along this Runnins River AU (MA53-20) at the following sampling stations (data years) as part of either Bacteria Source Tracking (BST) projects or as part of the MAP2 sampling project: MassDEP 1 to 5 times per year – Greenwood Avenue (W2442) (2013); ~ 700 feet upstream Ledge Road (W2449) (2013); ~370 feet upstream Ledge Road (W2505) (2014-2015); ~260 feet upstream Ledge Road (W2568) (2015); ~150 feet upstream Ledge Road (W2567) (2015); Ledge Road (W2441) (2013-2015); Arcade Avenue (W1955) (2013) & ~50 feet downstream Arcade Avenue, Seekonk (W2408) (2013). The BST work was conducted between 2012 & 2015 with the following notes reported: “Despite the identification of hotspot areas (the Arcade Ave/Ledge Rd area), human marker analysis at Ledge Rd in 2015, indicated ‘none’, for evidence of a human source. No correctable source was ever found.” While too limited bacteria samples were collected at the BST sites to assess the Secondary Contact Recreational Use for this AU according to the CALM “Use Attainment Impairment Decision Schema”, data analysis of samples collected downstream of Arcade Ave (W2408) indicated 0% of intervals had GMs >630 cfu/100ml, no samples exceeded the 1,260 cfu/100ml STV, with a seasonal GM of 108 cfu/100ml. Bacteria counts further upstream at Ledge Rd (W2441) significantly exceeded the STV once in 2013 and once in 2014. Since the *E. coli* concentrations in the river were below the use attainment impairment thresholds for the single year moderate frequency dataset downstream of Arcade Ave (W2408), the Secondary Contact Recreational Use for this Runnins River AU (MA53-20) is assessed as Fully Supporting. An Alert is being identified however due to the intermittently elevated *E. coli* counts at Ledge Rd (W2441) in 2013 and 2014.

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W2441	MassDEP	Water Quality	Runnins River	[Ledge Road, Seekonk]	41.836247	-71.323196
W2442	MassDEP	Water Quality	Runnins River	[Greenwood Avenue, Seekonk]	41.835710	-71.316507
W2449	MassDEP	Water Quality	Runnins River	[approximately 700 feet upstream/northeast of Ledge Road, Seekonk (upstream of private road crossing)]	41.835765	-71.321287
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W2567	MassDEP	Water Quality	Runnins River	[approximately 150 feet upstream/north of Ledge Road, Seekonk]	41.836467	-71.322721
W2568	MassDEP	Water Quality	Runnins River	[approximately 260 feet upstream/north of Ledge Road, Seekonk]	41.836486	-71.322396

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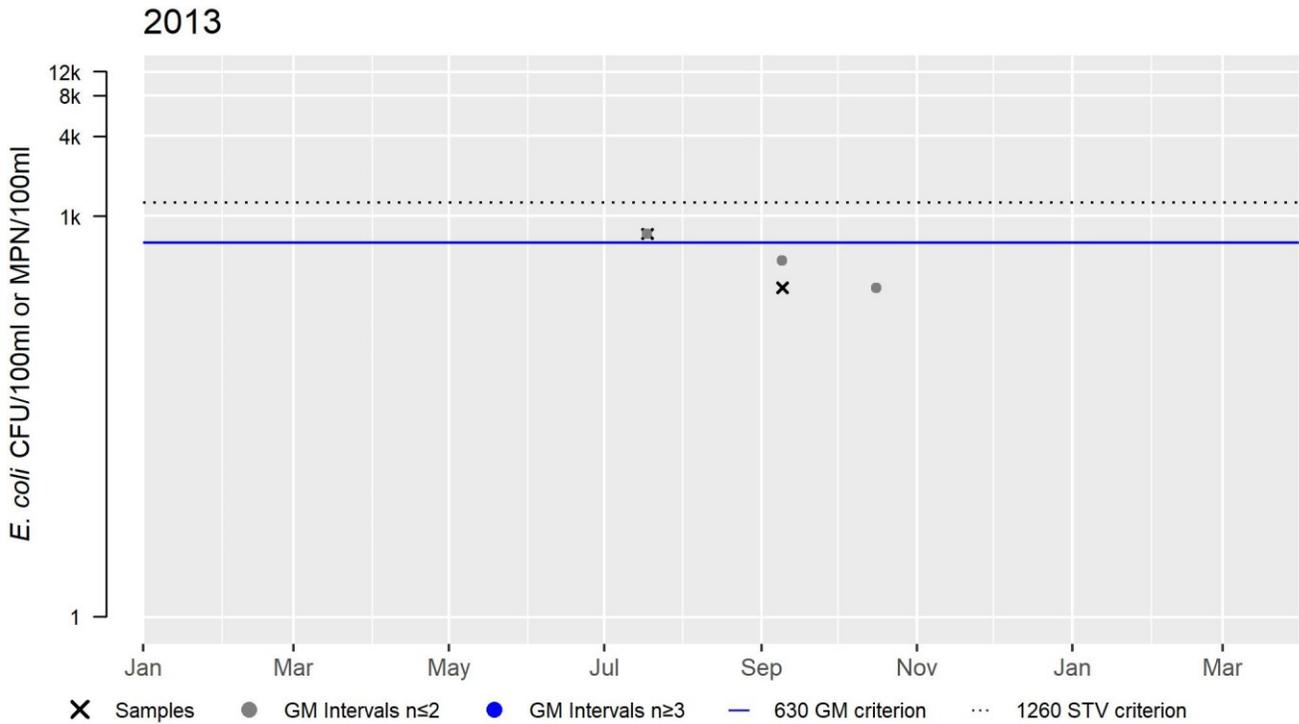
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Station Code	Organization	Indicator	Start Date	End Date	Sample Count	Minimum Sample Result (CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml)	Maximum Sample Result (CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml)	Seasonal Geometric Mean (CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml)
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W2505	MassDEP	E. coli	06/09/14	07/31/14	2	185	2419.6	669
W2505	MassDEP	E. coli	05/07/15	07/07/15	2	68	261	133
W2567	MassDEP	E. coli	05/07/15	07/07/15	2	71	365	161
W2568	MassDEP	E. coli	05/07/15	07/07/15	2	48	548	162

W1955 E. coli (90-day Interval), Secondary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	2
SeasGM	463
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

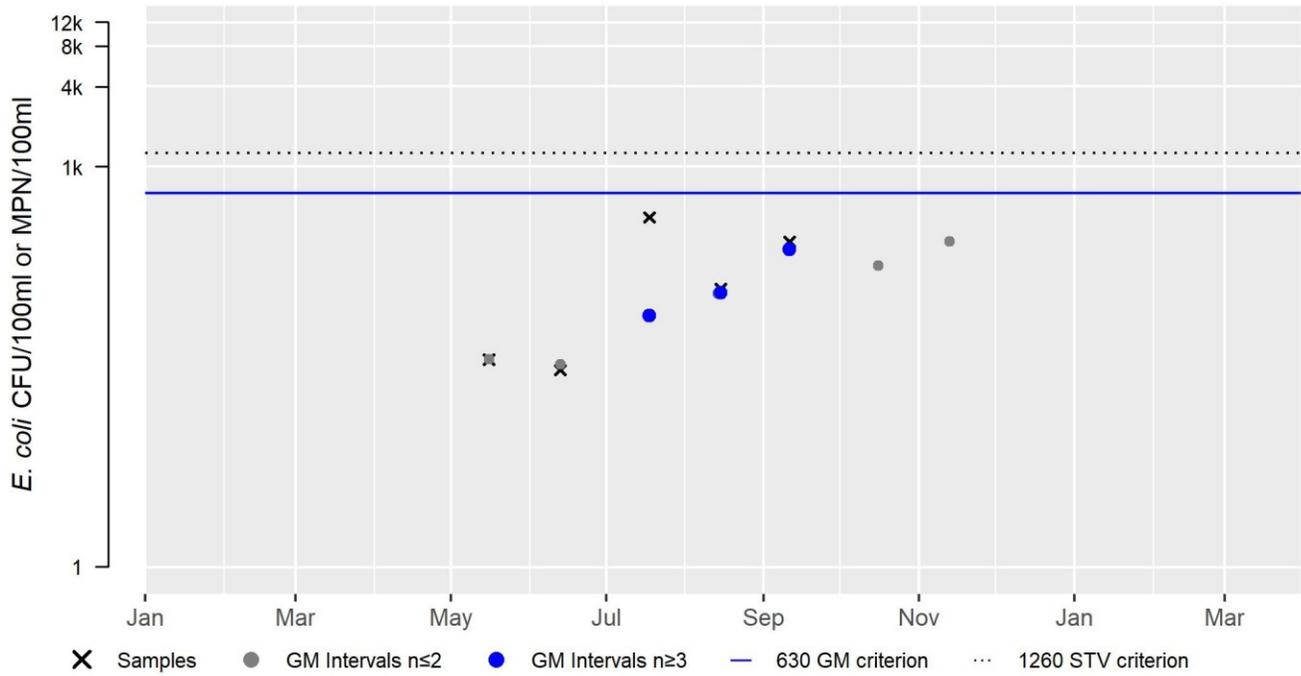


W2408 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Secondary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	5
SeasGM	108
#GMI	3
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

2013



W2441 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Secondary Contact Recreational Use Season

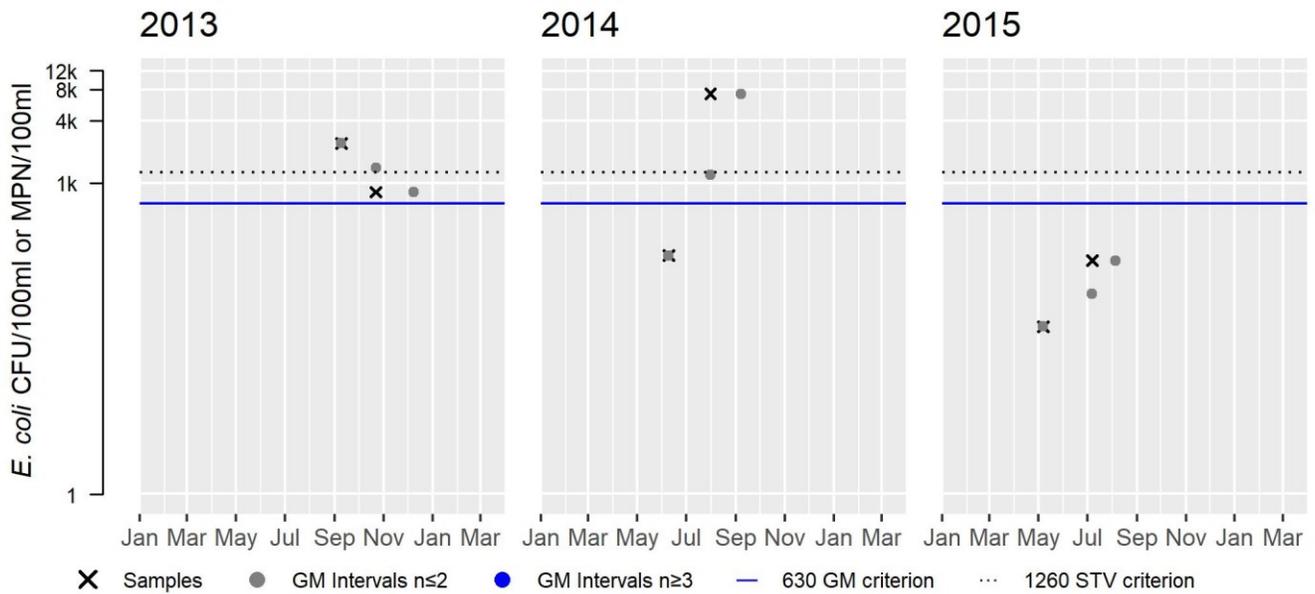
Var	Res
Samples	2
SeasGM	1405
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	1
%n>STV	50

Var	Res
Samples	2
SeasGM	1203
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	1
%n>STV	50

Var	Res
Samples	2
SeasGM	85
#GMI	0
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n>STV	0
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Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

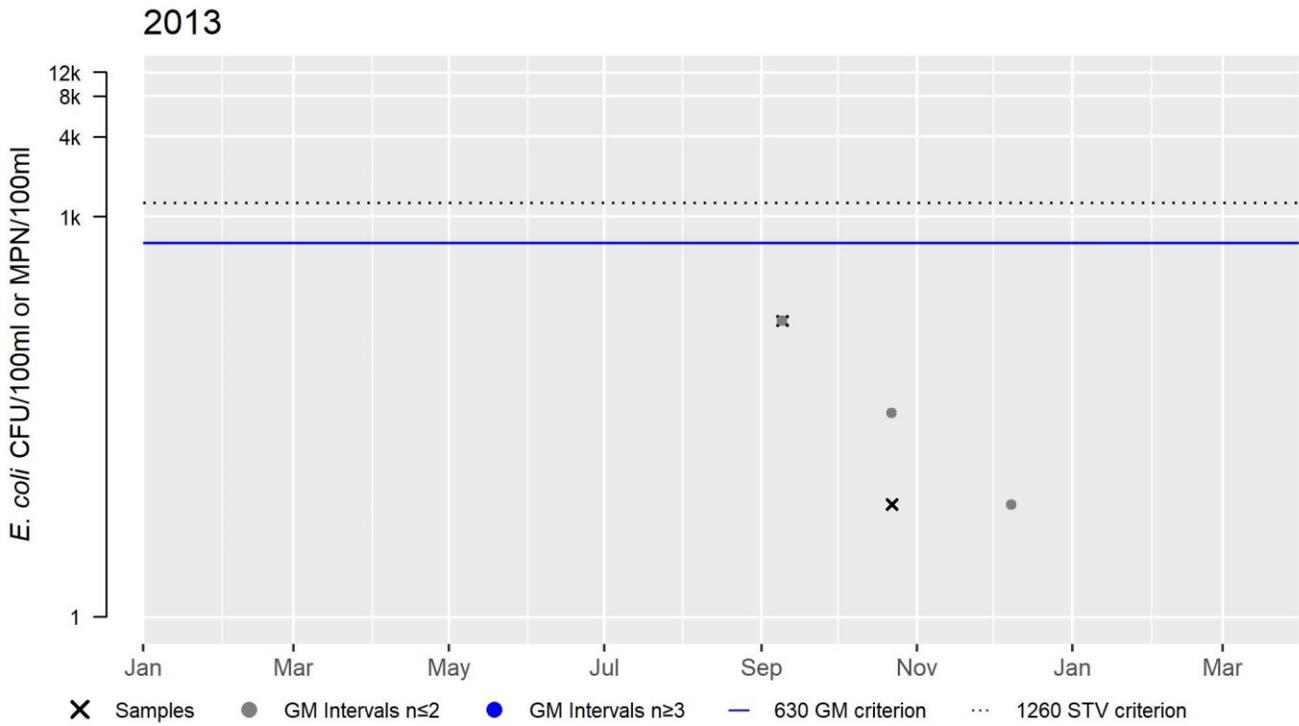
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Result	0



W2442 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Secondary Contact Recreational Use Season

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SeasGM	34
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#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
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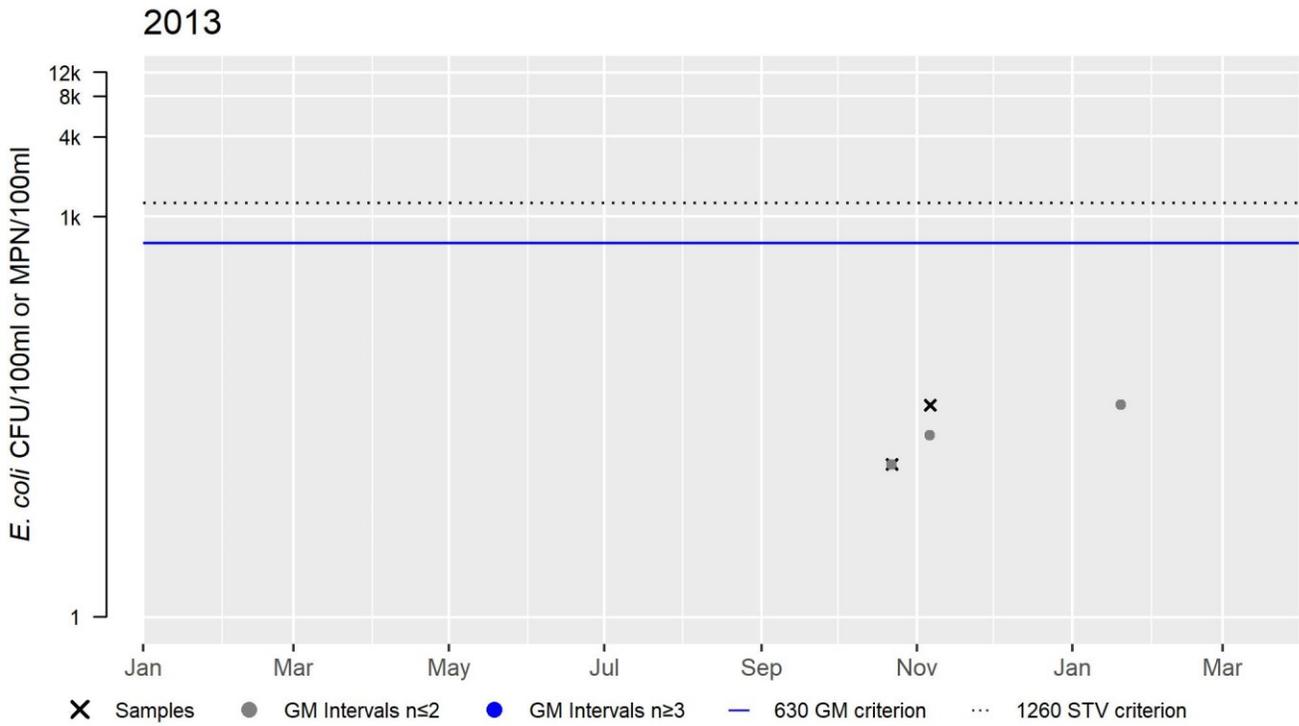
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W2449 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Secondary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	2
SeasGM	23
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
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Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV



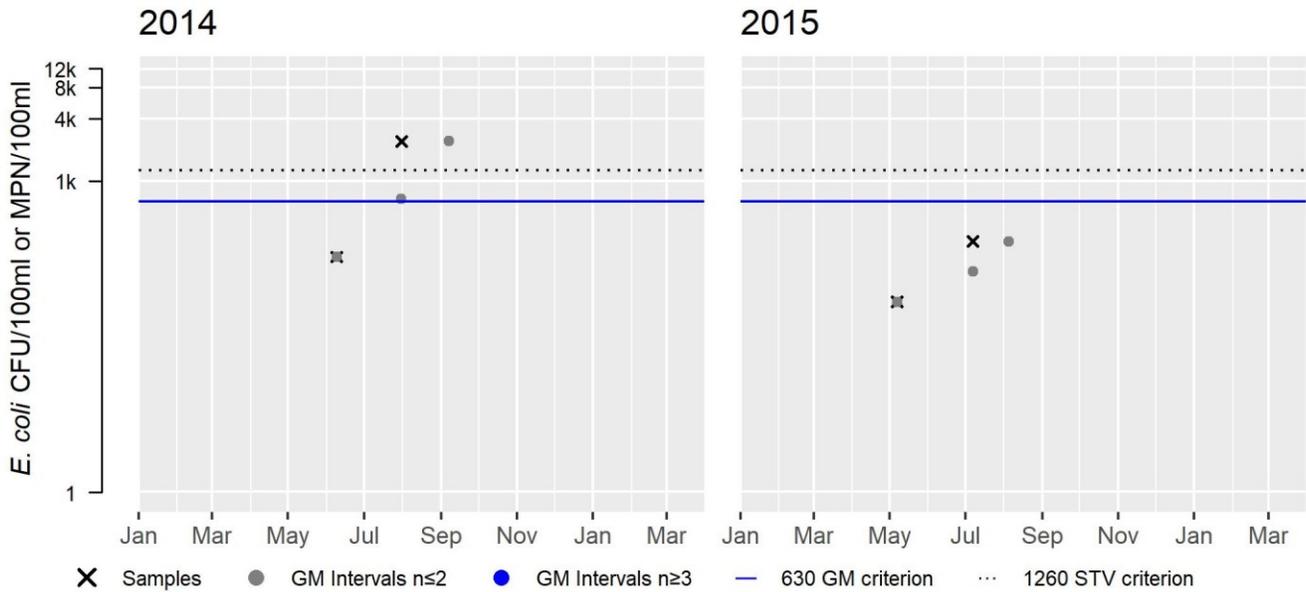
W2505 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Secondary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	2
SeasGM	669
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	1
%n>STV	50

Var	Res
Samples	2
SeasGM	133
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
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Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

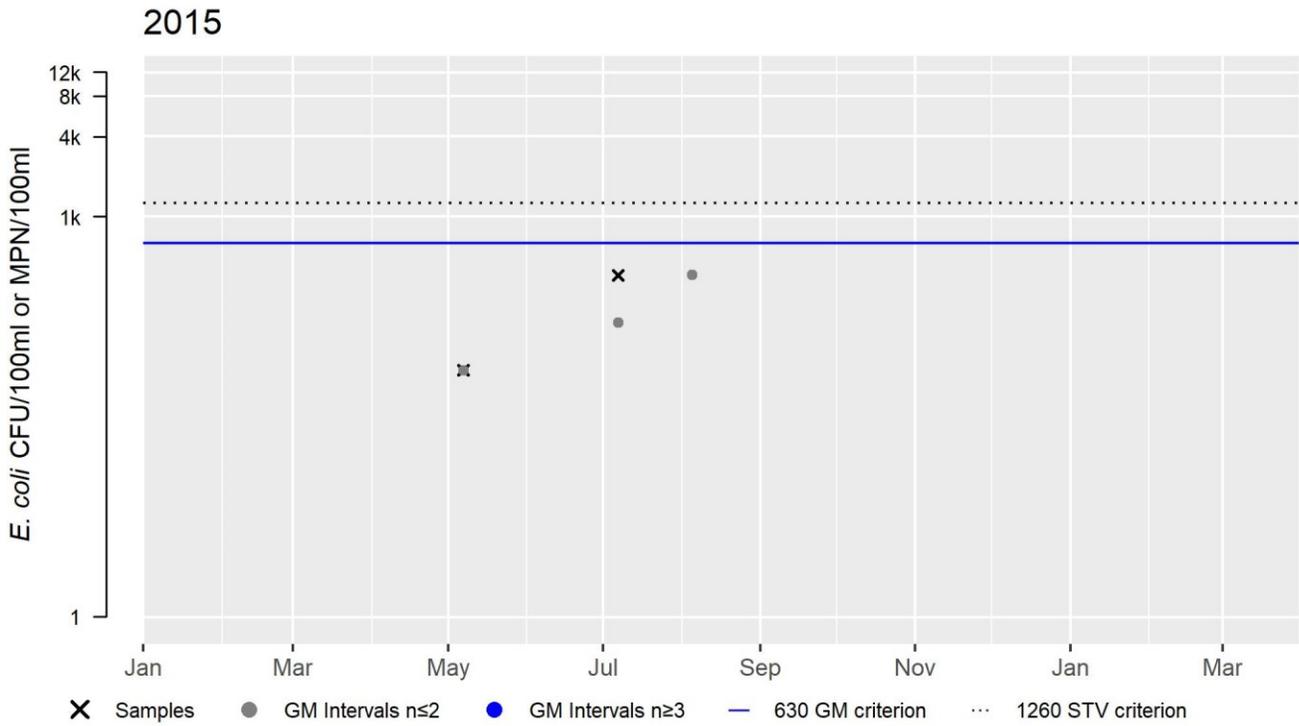
Variable	Cumulative %GMI Ex (all years)
Result	0



W2567 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Secondary Contact Recreational Use Season

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SeasGM	161
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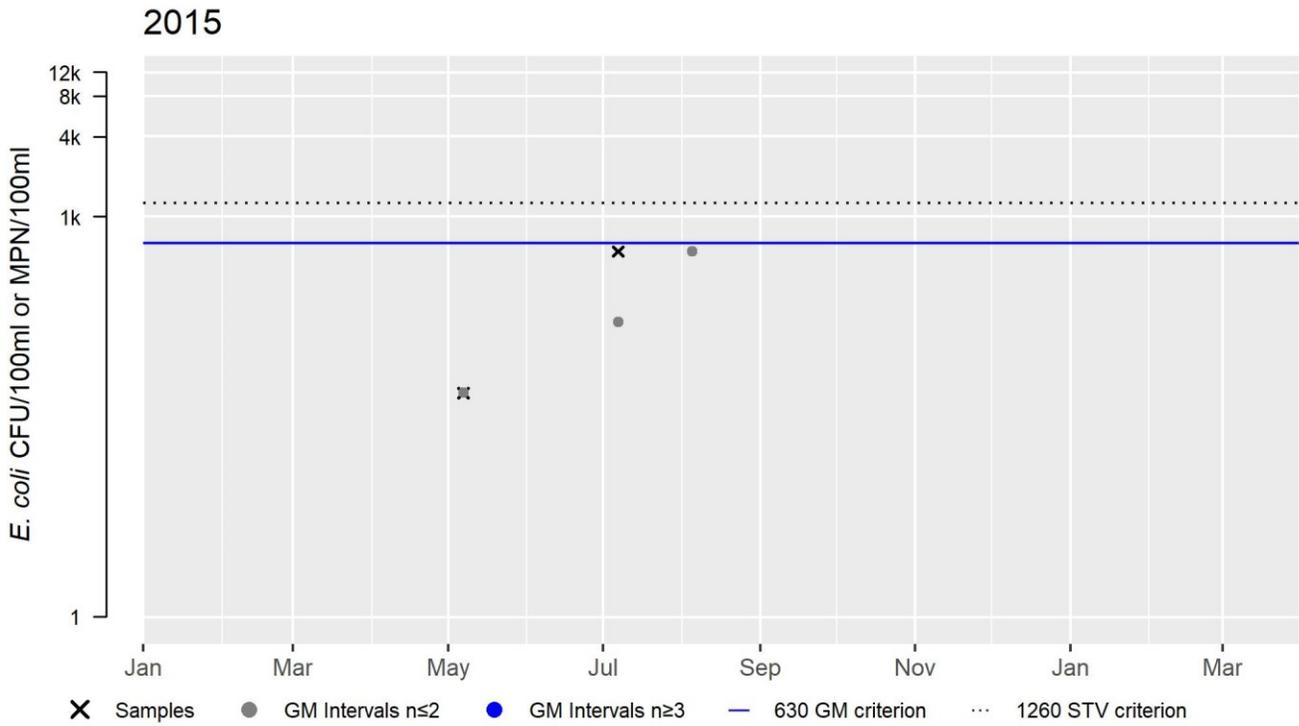
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W2568 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Secondary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	2
SeasGM	162
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
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Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV



Shad Factory Pond (MA53005)

Location:	Rehoboth (formerly part of 2014 segment: Palmer River MA53-04).
AU Type:	FRESHWATER LAKE
AU Size:	31 ACRES
Classification/Qualifier:	B: TWS, PWS

2018/20 AU Category	2022 AU Category	Impairment	ATTAINS Action ID	Impairment Change Summary
5	5	(Dewatering*)		Unchanged
5	5	Fecal Coliform	35086	Unchanged
5	5	Nutrient/Eutrophication Biological Indicators		Unchanged

Impairment	Source (Confirmed Y/N)	Fish, other Aquatic Life and Wildlife	Fish Consumption	Aesthetic	Primary Contact Recreation	Secondary Contact Recreation
(Dewatering*)	Source Unknown (N)	X				
Fecal Coliform	Agriculture (Y)				X	
Fecal Coliform	Discharges from Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4) (Y)				X	
Fecal Coliform	Waterfowl (N)				X	
Nutrient/Eutrophication Biological Indicators	Source Unknown (N)	X				

Designated Use Attainment Decisions

Fish, other Aquatic Life and Wildlife

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Not Supporting	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
<p>DMF biologists note one potential barrier providing adequate passage to diadromous fish at the boundary between the Shad Factory Pond and downstream Palmer River AU (MA53-05). The Shad Factory Pond Dam (NATID# MA00787) (with existing fishway-new in 2006) was given a passage score of "2" on a 0-10 scale, indicating that the dam is only a minor obstruction to the passage of the targeted fish species, river herring and American shad. The population score was noted to be "4". It was further noted by DMF that there are ongoing water management concerns in this area and that there has been recent interest in dam removal. A passage score of 2 is supportive of the Aquatic Life Use. No other monitoring data were collected so the Aquatic Life Use for Shad Factory Pond will continue to be assessed as Not Supporting with the impairments for "Dewatering" and "Nutrient Eutrophication Biological Indicators" being carried forward.</p>	

Biological Monitoring Information

Habitat and Flow Data (anthropogenic alterations)

MassDMF Status of Priority Diadromous Fish Passage Barriers. (Chase 2020)

Assessment Summary	
DMF biologists note one potential barrier providing adequate passage to diadromous fish at the boundary between the Shad Factory Pond and downstream Palmer River AU (MA53-05). The Shad Factory Pond Dam (NATID# MA00787) (with existing fishway-new in 2006) was given a passage score of "2" on a 0-10 scale, indicating that the dam is only a minor obstruction to the passage of the targeted fish species, river herring and American shad. The population score was noted to be "4". It was further noted by DMF that there are ongoing water management concerns in this area and that there has been recent interest in dam removal.	

Fish Consumption

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Not Assessed	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
No site-specific fish consumption advisory has been issued by DPH; therefore, the Fish Consumption Use for Shad Factory Pond (MA53005) is Not Assessed.	

Aesthetic

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Not Assessed	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
No data are available to assess the status of the Aesthetic Use for Shad Factory Pond (MA53005), so it is Not Assessed.	

Primary Contact Recreation

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Not Supporting	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
No recent data are available to assess the status of the Primary Contact Recreation Use for Shad Factory Pond (MA53005), so it will continue to be assessed as Not Supporting with the Fecal Coliform impairment being carried forward.	

Secondary Contact Recreation

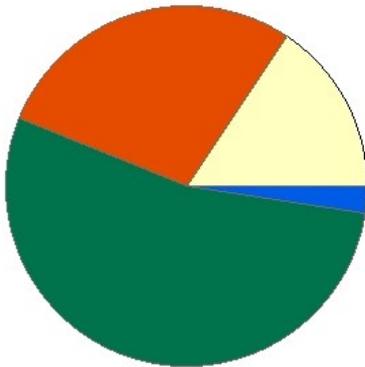
2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Not Assessed	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
No data are available to assess the status of the Secondary Contact Recreation Use for Shad Factory Pond (MA53005), so it is Not Assessed.	

Torrey Creek (MA53-14)

Location:	Headwaters in wetland east of Benson Avenue, Seekonk to just downstream of Barney Avenue, Rehoboth (includes culverted section [approximately 1200 feet] near Seekonk Speedway, Seekonk) (prior to 2010 this segment included estuarine portion).
AU Type:	RIVER
AU Size:	2.1 MILES
Classification/Qualifier:	B

Torrey Creek - MA53-14

Watershed Area: 2.11 square miles



Percent Agriculture
 Percent Natural
 Percent Developed
 Percent Wetland

Landuse Type	Entire Basin	5km Radius Proximal Subbasin	100m Stream Buffer	Proximal Stream Buffer
Land Use Area (square miles)	2.11	2.11	0.92	0.92
Agriculture	15.6%	15.6%	14.2%	14.2%
Developed	28.3%	28.3%	21.1%	21.1%
Natural	53.8%	53.8%	61.7%	61.7%
Wetland	2.4%	2.4%	2.9%	2.9%
Impervious Cover	13.3%			

2018/20 AU Category	2022 AU Category	Impairment	ATTAINS Action ID	Impairment Change Summary
4a	5	(Alteration in Stream-side or Littoral Vegetative Covers*)		Unchanged
4a	5	(Habitat Assessment*)		Unchanged
4a	5	Enterococcus		Added
4a	5	Escherichia Coli (E. Coli)	35088	Unchanged

Impairment	Source (Confirmed Y/N)	Fish, other Aquatic Life and Wildlife	Fish Consumption	Aesthetic	Primary Contact Recreation	Secondary Contact Recreation
(Alteration in Stream-side or Littoral Vegetative Covers*)	Habitat Modification - other than Hydromodification (Y)	X				
(Habitat Assessment*)	Habitat Modification - other than Hydromodification (Y)	X				
Enterococcus	Agriculture (Y)				X	

Impairment	Source (Confirmed Y/N)	Fish, other Aquatic Life and Wildlife	Fish Consumption	Aesthetic	Primary Contact Recreation	Secondary Contact Recreation
Enterococcus	Discharges from Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4) (N)				X	
Enterococcus	On-site Treatment Systems (Septic Systems and Similar Decentralized Systems) (N)				X	
Enterococcus	Waterfowl (Y)				X	
Escherichia Coli (E. Coli)	Agriculture (Y)				X	
Escherichia Coli (E. Coli)	Discharges from Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4) (N)				X	
Escherichia Coli (E. Coli)	On-site Treatment Systems (Septic Systems and Similar Decentralized Systems) (N)				X	
Escherichia Coli (E. Coli)	Waterfowl (Y)				X	

Designated Use Attainment Decisions

Fish, other Aquatic Life and Wildlife

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Not Supporting	YES
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
<p>EPA conducted discrete water quality monitoring in the middle and at the downstream end of this Torrey Creek AU (MA53-14) as follows: on Seekonk Speedway property, Seekonk (EPA_TC05) and at an access road off Barney Ave (EPA_TC07), Rehoboth (both to a limited extent in 2012 & 2013) and then more often 2016-2019 (typically monthly) at EPA_TC07. Most data were indicative of good water quality: pH ranged from 6.2-7.0SU (n=6) (with 2 out of 6 measurements falling below 6.5SU); maximum temperature 24.2°C (n=16); minimum DO 5.1mg/L, with a max DO% saturation of 89.5% (n=6). Specific conductance was low at EPA_TC05 (n=3) (max 367 µS/cm) with no chloride toxicity indicated; however, at EPA_TC07 specific conductance sometimes appeared high, with a max of 23,374µS/cm (n=35). The high measurements are likely a result of the intermittent salt-water intrusion observed at EPA_TC07, in combination with the observed lack of freshwater when the brook dried out during the summer months (chloride tox calculations not applicable). Total ammonia nitrogen ranged 0.07-0.86mg/L (n=9), with no toxicity estimated. The seasonal average for total phosphorus was low, ranging 0.05-0.06 mg/L (typically n=5). The seasonal average Total Nitrogen concentration (measured at EPA_TC07) was consistent at 0.9mg/L (typically n=5). In estuarine systems, TN seasonal averages >0.5mg/L can be indicative of degraded overall health; however, this AU is not fully estuarine despite what conditions the downstream end of the AU might experience (i.e., some tidal incursion).</p> <p>The Aquatic Life Use of Torrey Creek (MA53-14) will continue to be assessed as Not Supporting with the habitat assessment and alteration in stream-side or littoral vegetative covers impairments being carried forward (the creek is culverted at the upstream end of the AU -- near the Seekonk Speedway). An alert is also being identified for the elevated Total Nitrogen concentrations in the creek near Barney Ave and its potential impact on the downstream estuarine portion of Torrey Creek and ultimately the Palmer River.</p>	

Monitoring Stations

Station Code	Organization	Type	Water Body	Station Description	Latitude	Longitude
W2447	MassDEP	Water Quality	Torrey Creek	[just downstream of culvert southeast of Barney Avenue, Rehoboth]	41.780692	-71.288306

Station Code	Organization	Type	Water Body	Station Description	Latitude	Longitude
EPA_TC05	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Torrey Creek	On Seekonk Speedway property, Seekonk	41.785509	-71.298848
EPA_TC07	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Torrey Creek	Torrey Creek @ access rd off Barney Ave, approximately 350ft SSW from RT.195, Rehoboth	41.780662	-71.288315

Biological Monitoring Information

Habitat and Flow Data (anthropogenic alterations)

EPA Discrete Total Suspended Solids Data (2016-2019). (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	TSS Count	TSS Max (mg/L)	TSS Avg (mg/L)	TSS Count >25
EPA_TC07	04/19/16	11/09/16	8	18	6.2	0
EPA_TC07	04/20/17	11/14/17	8	3.3	2.6	0
EPA_TC07	04/24/18	11/05/18	8	3.8	2.9	0
EPA_TC07	05/13/19	11/06/19	7	120	27.8	2

Physico-chemical Water Quality Information

DO, pH, Temperature

EPA Freshwater Discrete Dissolved Oxygen Data (2012-2013). (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)

[CW= Coldwater, WW= Warmwater]

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	DO Count	DO Min (mg/L)	DO Avg (mg/L)	Count CW <5.0	Count WW Early Life Stages <5.0	Count WW Other Life Stages <4.0
EPA_TC05	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	8.6	8.6	0	0	0
EPA_TC05	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	6.8	7.0	0	0	0
EPA_TC07	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	9.6	9.6	0	0	0
EPA_TC07	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	5.1	7.3	0	0	0

EPA Freshwater Discrete Temperature Data (2012, 2013 & 2016-2019). (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)

[Summer Index is June 1 – Sept 15; CW= Coldwater, WW= Warmwater]

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	Temp Count	Index Count	Temp Max (°C)	Temp Avg (°C)	Count CW >20	Count CW >22	Count WW >28.3	Count WW >30.3
EPA_TC05	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	0	14.2	14.2	0	0	0	0

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	Temp Count	Index Count	Temp Max (°C)	Temp Avg (°C)	Count CW >20	Count CW >22	Count WW >28.3	Count WW >30.3
EPA_TC05	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	1	20.9	18.5	1	0	0	0
EPA_TC07	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	0	11.1	11.1	0	0	0	0
EPA_TC07	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	1	23.4	17.7	1	1	0	0
EPA_TC07	04/19/16	11/09/16	8	4	24.2	14.8	1	1	0	0
EPA_TC07	04/20/17	11/14/17	8	4	21.0	15.6	2	0	0	0
EPA_TC07	04/24/18	11/05/18	8	3	23.2	14.6	1	1	0	0
EPA_TC07	04/29/19	11/06/19	8	3	21.6	14.7	2	0	0	0

EPA Discrete pH Data (2012-2013). (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	pH Count	pH Min (SU)	pH Max (SU)	pH Count <6.5 or >8.3	pH Count <6.0 or >8.8
EPA_TC05	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	6.4	6.4	1	0
EPA_TC05	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	6.2	6.6	1	0
EPA_TC07	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	7.0	7.0	0	0
EPA_TC07	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	6.8	6.8	0	0

Nutrients (Primary Producer Screening, Physico-chemical Screening)

MassDEP Nutrient Enrichment Indicator Data (2011-2018). (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

[Summer seasonal total phosphorus data collected May-Sept]

Station Code	Data Year	Seasonal TP Count	Seasonal TP Min (mg/L)	Seasonal TP Max (mg/L)	Seasonal TP Avg (mg/L)	Delta DO Max (mg/L)	Delta DO Avg (mg/L)	DO Sat Max (%)	pH Max (SU)	Count Algal Obsv.	Dense/V. Dense Film/Fila. Algae
W2447	2013	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	2	0
W2447	2015	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	3	0
W2447	2016	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	1	0

EPA Freshwater Nutrient Enrichment Indicator Data (2012, 2013 & 2016-2019). (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)

[Summer seasonal total phosphorus data collected May-Sept]

Station Code	Data Year	Seasonal TP Count	Seasonal TP Min (mg/L)	Seasonal TP Max (mg/L)	Seasonal TP Avg (mg/L)	DO Sat Max (%)	pH Max (SU)
EPA_TC05	2012	--	--	--	--	83.0	6.4
EPA_TC05	2013	--	--	--	--	77.8	6.6
EPA_TC07	2012	--	--	--	--	87.5	7.0
EPA_TC07	2013	--	--	--	--	89.5	6.8
EPA_TC07	2016	5	0.034	0.080	0.047	--	--
EPA_TC07	2017	5	0.023	0.071	0.044	--	--
EPA_TC07	2018	5	0.031	0.072	0.048	--	--
EPA_TC07	2019	5	0.005	0.088	0.059	--	--

EPA Summer Seasonal Total Nitrogen Data (2016-2019). (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)

[Total nitrogen data collected May-Sept]

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	Seasonal TN Count	Seasonal TN Min (mg/L)	Seasonal TN Max (mg/L)	Seasonal TN Avg (mg/L)
EPA_TC07	05/17/16	09/13/16	5	0.5	1.2	0.9
EPA_TC07	05/31/17	09/14/17	5	0.6	1.2	0.9
EPA_TC07	05/09/18	09/19/18	5	0.7	1.2	0.9
EPA_TC07	05/13/19	09/24/19	5	0.7	1.2	0.9

Toxics and other pollutants (metals, ammonia, chloride, chlorine)

EPA Freshwater Total Ammonia Nitrogen (TAN) Data (2017 & 2019). (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)

[Toxicity evaluations made using site- and date-specific temperature plus site-specific max pH measurements from 2012 & 2013; TAN= NH₃ + NH₄⁺]

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	TAN Count	TAN Min (mg/L)	TAN Max (mg/L)	TAN Avg (mg/L)	Count TAN >Chronic	Count TAN >Acute
EPA_TC07	11/14/17	11/14/17	1	0.86	0.86	0.86	0	0
EPA_TC07	04/29/19	11/06/19	8	0.07	0.21	0.11	0	0

EPA Discrete Specific Conductance Data (2012-2013, 2016-2019) Compared to Estimated Chloride Criteria. (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3).

[Chloride tox calculations not applicable due to intermittent salt-water incursion at EPA_TC07.]

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	SpCond Count	SpCond Min (µs/cm)	SpCond Max (µs/cm)	Count SpCond >904	Count SpCond >994	Count SpCond >3193	Count SpCond >3512	Consecutive sets >904	Consecutive sets >994
EPA_TC05	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	283	283	0	0	0	0	0	0
EPA_TC05	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	331	367	0	0	0	0	0	0
EPA_TC07	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	817	817	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
EPA_TC07	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	547	621	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
EPA_TC07	04/19/16	11/09/16	8	383	23374	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
EPA_TC07	04/20/17	11/14/17	8	367	3394	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
EPA_TC07	04/24/18	11/05/18	8	289	884	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
EPA_TC07	04/29/19	11/06/19	8	270	809	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

Fish Consumption

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Not Assessed	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
No site-specific fish consumption advisory has been issued by DPH; therefore, the Fish Consumption Use for Torrey Creek (MA53-14) is Not Assessed.	

Aesthetic

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Fully Supporting	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	

MassDEP staff surveyed this Torrey Creek AU (MA53-14) just downstream of culvert southeast of Barney Avenue, Rehoboth (W2447) during the summers of 2013, 2015, and 2016 (n=7). There were generally no objectionable conditions (i.e., odors, deposits, growths, or turbidity) were observed during any of the surveys. The Aesthetics Use for this Torrey Creek AU (MA53-14) is assessed as Fully Supporting based on the lack of any objectionable conditions documented by MassDEP staff during the summers of 2013, 2015, and 2016.

Monitoring Stations

Station Code	Organization	Type	Water Body	Station Description	Latitude	Longitude
W2447	MassDEP	Water Quality	Torrey Creek	[just downstream of culvert southeast of Barney Avenue, Rehoboth]	41.780692	-71.288306

Aesthetic Observations

Aesthetics Summary Statements for MassDEP Stations (2011-2018) (MassDEP Undated 5)

Station Code	Waterbody	Data Year	Field Sheet Count	Aesthetics Summary Statement
W2447	Torrey Creek	2013	3	MassDEP aesthetics observations for station W2447 on Torrey Creek can be summarized as follows: there were generally no noted objectionable conditions (odors, deposits, growths, or turbidity) recorded by DEP field sampling crews during summer 2013.
W2447	Torrey Creek	2015	3	MassDEP aesthetics observations for station W2447 on Torrey Creek can be summarized as follows: there were generally no noted objectionable conditions (odors, deposits, growths, or turbidity) recorded by DEP field sampling crews during summer 2015.
W2447	Torrey Creek	2016	1	MassDEP aesthetics observations for station W2447 on Torrey Creek can be summarized as follows: there were generally no noted objectionable conditions (odors, deposits, growths, or turbidity) recorded by DEP field sampling crews during summer 2016. However, there is insufficient information to assess the Aesthetics Use since data were limited (n=1).

Observations of Filamentous/Film Algae at MassDEP Stations (2011-2018) (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

Station Code	Data Year	Field Sheet Count	Field Sheet Count w/ Film & Filamentous Algae Observations	Dense/ Very Dense Film/ Filamentous Algae
W2447	2013	3	2	0
W2447	2015	3	3	0
W2447	2016	1	1	0

MassDEP Aesthetics Observations (2011-2018) (MassDEP Undated 8)

Station Code	Waterbody	Data Year	Parameter	Result	Result Count	Total Field Sheet Count
W2447	Torrey Creek	2013	Color	None	2	3
W2447	Torrey Creek	2013	Color	NR	1	3
W2447	Torrey Creek	2013	Objectionable Deposits	Not Applicable (N/A)	3	3
W2447	Torrey Creek	2013	Odor	None	2	3

Station Code	Waterbody	Data Year	Parameter	Result	Result Count	Total Field Sheet Count
W2447	Torrey Creek	2013	Odor	NR	1	3
W2447	Torrey Creek	2013	Scum	Not Applicable (N/A)	3	3
W2447	Torrey Creek	2013	Turbidity	Moderately Turbid	2	3
W2447	Torrey Creek	2013	Turbidity	NR	1	3
W2447	Torrey Creek	2015	Color	None	3	3
W2447	Torrey Creek	2015	Objectionable Deposits	Not Applicable (N/A)	3	3
W2447	Torrey Creek	2015	Odor	None	3	3
W2447	Torrey Creek	2015	Scum	Not Applicable (N/A)	3	3
W2447	Torrey Creek	2015	Turbidity	Moderately Turbid	1	3
W2447	Torrey Creek	2015	Turbidity	Slightly Turbid	2	3
W2447	Torrey Creek	2016	Color	None	1	1
W2447	Torrey Creek	2016	Objectionable Deposits	Not Applicable (N/A)	1	1
W2447	Torrey Creek	2016	Odor	None	1	1
W2447	Torrey Creek	2016	Scum	Not Applicable (N/A)	1	1
W2447	Torrey Creek	2016	Turbidity	Slightly Turbid	1	1

Primary Contact Recreation

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Not Supporting	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
<p><i>E. coli</i> and <i>Enterococcus</i> bacteria samples were collected by MassDEP and EPA staff in the middle and at the downstream end of this Torrey Creek AU (MA53-14), at the following sampling stations (data years): EPA 1-2 times per year – on Seekonk Speedway property, Seekonk (EPA_TC05) (2012 & 2013), MassDEP 4-7 times per year – just downstream of culvert southeast of Barney Avenue, Rehoboth (W2447) (2015-2018) and (just a few feet further downstream) EPA 6-7 times per year – @ the access Rd. off Barney Ave, ~350ft SSW from RT.195 (EPA_TC07) (2016-2019). EPA <i>E. coli</i> data in the middle and downstream end of the AU (EPA_TC05 and EPA_TC07, respectively) were insufficient to make an assessment (as per the CALM “Use Attainment Impairment Decision Schema”). However, analysis of the DEP <i>E. coli</i> data (at the downstream end of the AU) indicated 67-100% of intervals had GMs >126 cfu/100ml in 4 years and 2-3 samples each year exceeded the 410 cfu/100ml STV in 3 of the sample years. Analysis of the EPA <i>Enterococcus</i> data (also at the downstream end of the AU at EPA_TC07) indicated 100% of intervals had GMs >35 cfu/100ml in 4 years and 4-5 samples each year exceeded the 130 cfu/100ml STV in 4 of the sample years. MassDEP conducted BST work in 2011 and 2013-2019 at one site along the Torrey Creek AU at Barney Ave, with <i>E. coli</i> ranging 15 to 12,033MPN. Agriculture and geese were both observed sources of bacteria in the watershed.</p> <p>The Primary Contact Recreational Use for this Torrey Creek AU (MA53-14) will continue to be assessed as Not Supporting. The existing impairment for <i>E. coli</i> will be carried forward (with an additionally recognized source of “waterfowl” based on observations made by the MassDEP BST program) and an <i>Enterococcus</i> impairment is being added.</p>	

Monitoring Stations

Station Code	Organization	Type	Water Body	Station Description	Latitude	Longitude
EPA_TC05	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Torrey Creek	On Seekonk Speedway property, Seekonk	41.785509	-71.298848

Station Code	Organization	Type	Water Body	Station Description	Latitude	Longitude
EPA_TC07	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Torrey Creek	Torrey Creek @ access rd off Barney Ave, approximately 350ft SSW from RT.195, Rehoboth	41.780662	-71.288315
W2447	MassDEP	Water Quality	Torrey Creek	[just downstream of culvert southeast of Barney Avenue, Rehoboth]	41.780692	-71.288306

Bacteria Data

Bacteria Data Collected by MassDEP and External Data Providers 2011-2020 (90-day Interval Analysis) (EPA 2020)

(MassDEP Undated 3) (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

[Result units are CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml]

Station Code	Organization	Indicator	Start Date	End Date	Sample Count	Minimum Sample Result	Maximum Sample Result	Seasonal Geometric Mean
EPA_TC05	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	16	16	16
EPA_TC05	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	4	147	24
EPA_TC07	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	85	85	85
EPA_TC07	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	318	953	551
EPA_TC07	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	07/09/15	09/09/15	2	2480	5480	3687
EPA_TC07	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	09/09/15	09/09/15	1	1670	1670	1670
EPA_TC07	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	04/19/16	04/19/16	1	187	187	187
EPA_TC07	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	04/19/16	10/12/16	7	16	6488	218
EPA_TC07	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	04/20/17	05/31/17	2	21	179	61
EPA_TC07	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	04/20/17	10/12/17	6	41	798	261
EPA_TC07	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	04/24/18	10/18/18	7	10	749	124
EPA_TC07	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	04/29/19	10/22/19	7	31	4106	248
W2447	MassDEP	E. coli	05/06/13	09/09/13	2	248	921	478
W2447	MassDEP	Enterococci	10/01/13	10/01/13	1	610	610	610
W2447	MassDEP	E. coli	07/07/15	09/09/15	4	261	1670	576
W2447	MassDEP	E. coli	05/17/16	10/12/16	6	116	12000	631
W2447	MassDEP	E. coli	05/31/17	10/12/17	6	73	866	310
W2447	MassDEP	E. coli	04/24/18	10/18/18	7	15	727	155

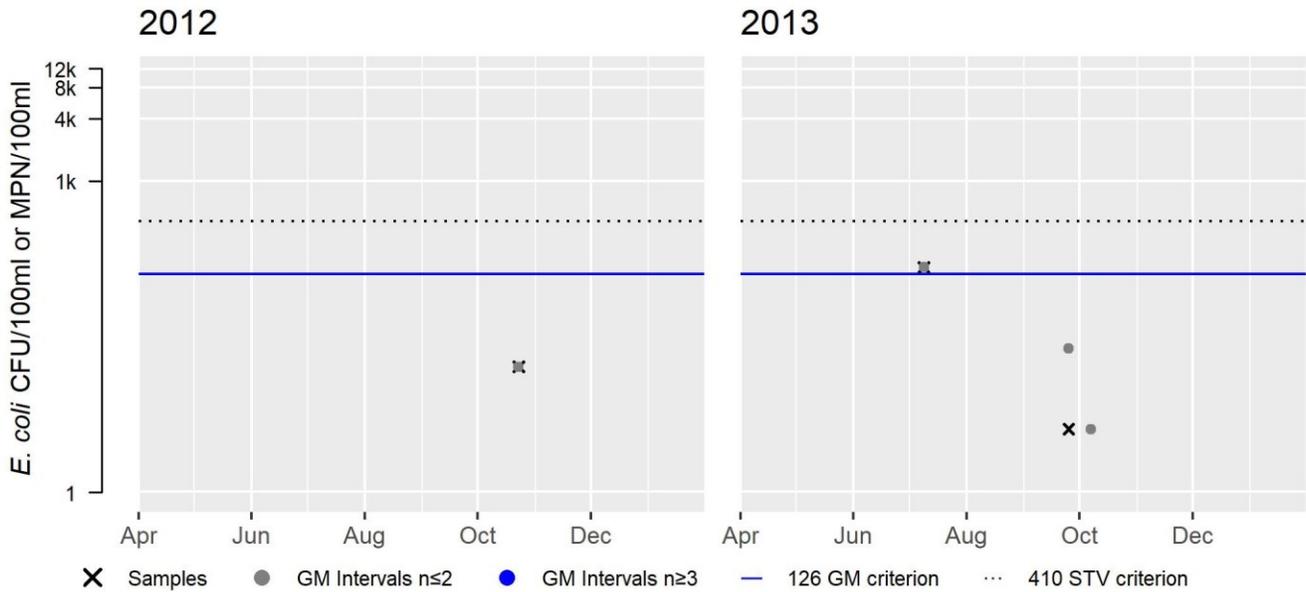
EPA_TC05 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Primary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	1
SeasGM	16
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Var	Res
Samples	2
SeasGM	24
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

Variable	Cumulative %GMI Ex (all years)
Result	0

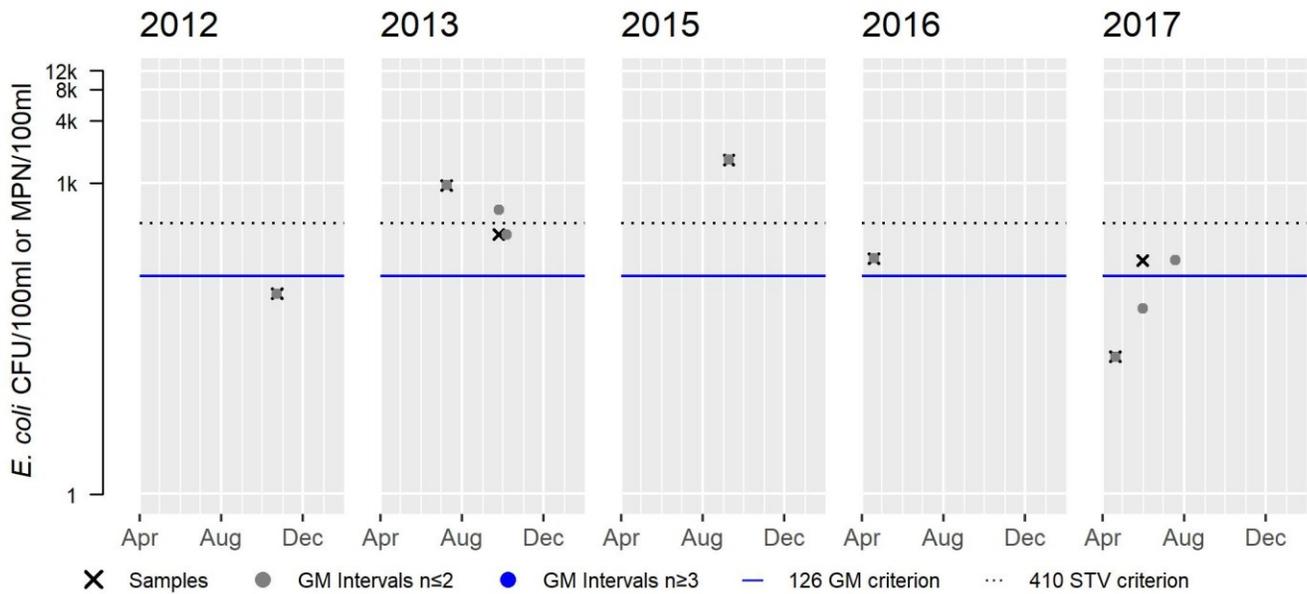


EPA_TC07 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Primary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res	Var	Res	Var	Res	Var	Res	Var	Res
Samples	1	Samples	2	Samples	1	Samples	1	Samples	2
SeasGM	85	SeasGM	551	SeasGM	1670	SeasGM	187	SeasGM	61
#GMI	0	#GMI	0	#GMI	0	#GMI	0	#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0	#GMI Ex	0	#GMI Ex	0	#GMI Ex	0	#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0	%GMI Ex	0	%GMI Ex	0	%GMI Ex	0	%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0	n>STV	1	n>STV	1	n>STV	0	n>STV	0
%n>STV	0	%n>STV	50	%n>STV	100	%n>STV	0	%n>STV	0

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

Variable	Cumulative %GMI Ex (all years)
Result	0

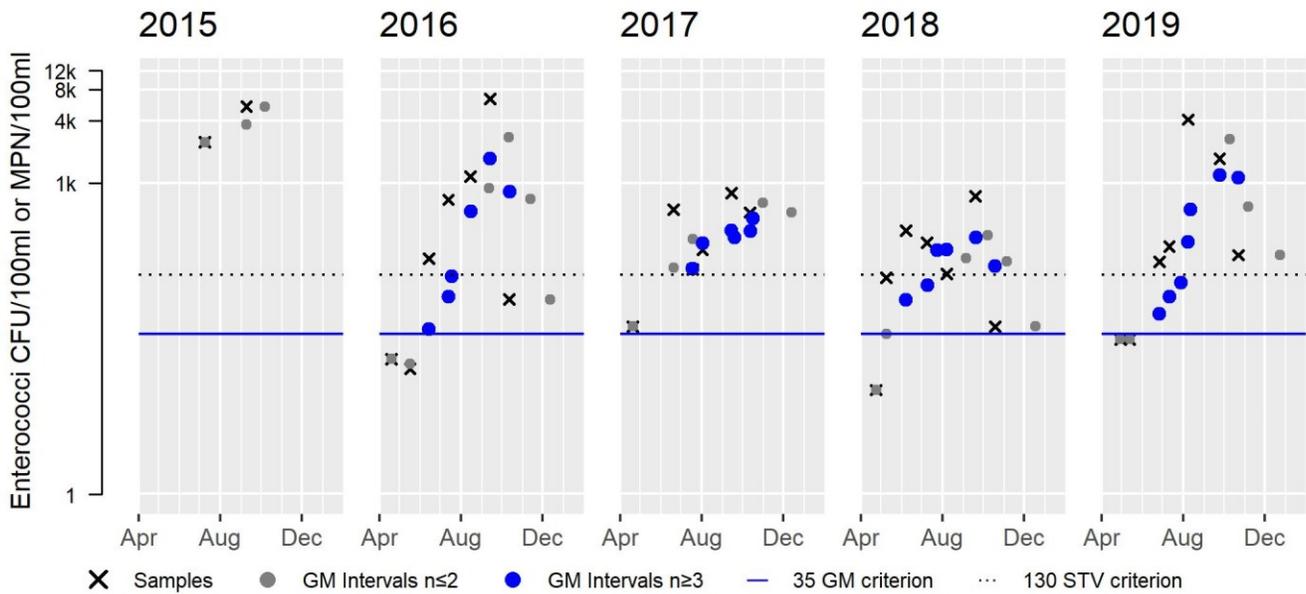


EPA_TC07 Enterococci (90-day Interval), Primary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res	Var	Res	Var	Res	Var	Res	Var	Res
Samples	2	Samples	7	Samples	6	Samples	7	Samples	7
SeasGM	3687	SeasGM	218	SeasGM	261	SeasGM	124	SeasGM	248
#GMI	0	#GMI	6	#GMI	6	#GMI	6	#GMI	7
#GMI Ex	0	#GMI Ex	6	#GMI Ex	6	#GMI Ex	6	#GMI Ex	7
%GMI Ex	0	%GMI Ex	100						
n>STV	2	n>STV	4	n>STV	5	n>STV	4	n>STV	5
%n>STV	100	%n>STV	57	%n>STV	83	%n>STV	57	%n>STV	71

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

Variable	Cumulative %GMI Ex (all years)
Result	100

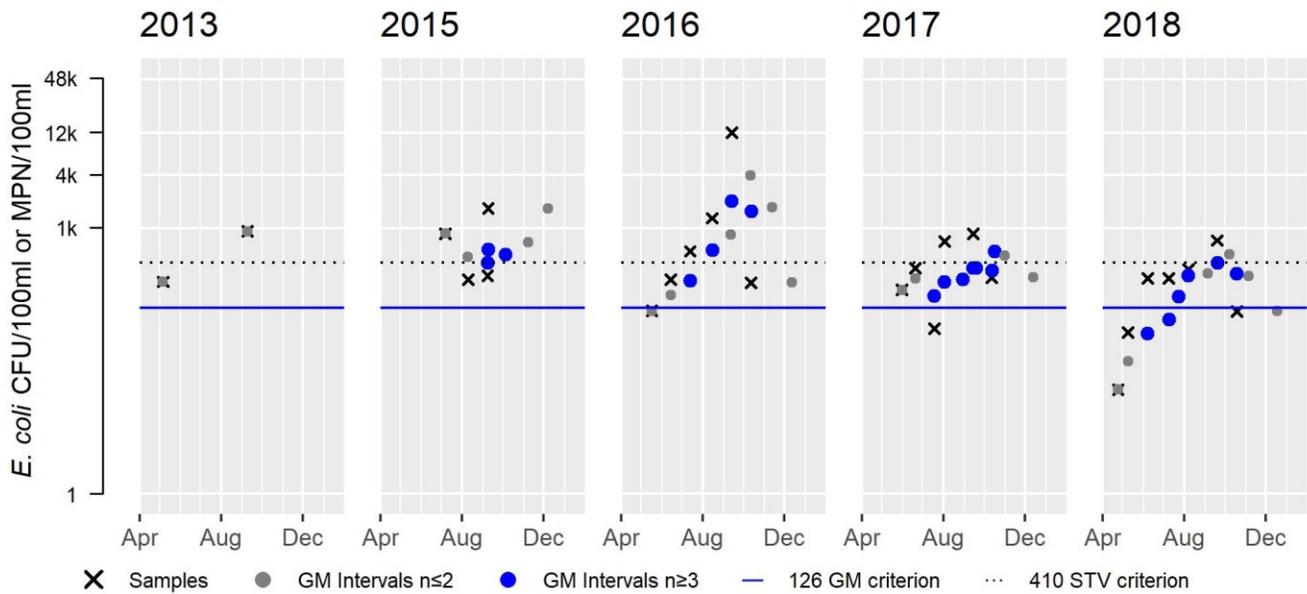


W2447 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Primary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res								
Samples	2	Samples	4	Samples	6	Samples	6	Samples	7
SeasGM	478	SeasGM	576	SeasGM	631	SeasGM	310	SeasGM	155
#GMI	0	#GMI	3	#GMI	4	#GMI	7	#GMI	6
#GMI Ex	0	#GMI Ex	3	#GMI Ex	4	#GMI Ex	7	#GMI Ex	4
%GMI Ex	0	%GMI Ex	100	%GMI Ex	100	%GMI Ex	100	%GMI Ex	67
n>STV	1	n>STV	2	n>STV	3	n>STV	2	n>STV	1
%n>STV	50	%n>STV	50	%n>STV	50	%n>STV	33	%n>STV	14

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

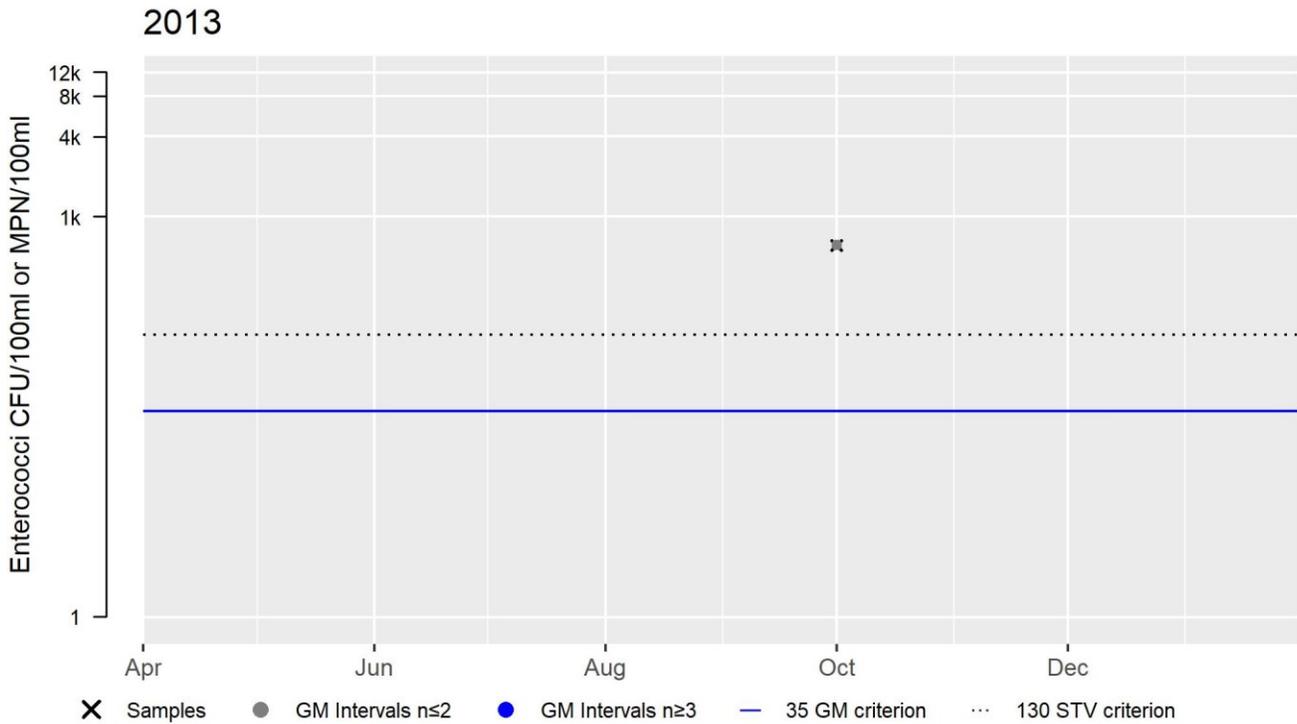
Variable	Cumulative %GMI Ex (all years)
Result	90



W2447 Enterococci (90-day Interval), Primary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	1
SeasGM	610
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	1
%n>STV	100

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV



MassDEP Bacteria Source Tracking (BST) Summary Statement for 2011-2019 (MassDEP Undated 1)

Summary
BST work was conducted in 2011 and 2013-2019 at one site along the Torrey Creek AU (MA53-14) at Barney Ave, with <i>E. coli</i> ranging 15 to 12,033MPN. It was noted that agriculture and geese were observed sources of bacteria in the watershed.

Secondary Contact Recreation

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Fully Supporting	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	

E. coli bacteria samples were collected by MassDEP and EPA staff in the middle and at the downstream end of this Torrey Creek AU (MA53-14), at the following sampling stations (data years): EPA 1-2 times per year – on Seekonk Speedway property, Seekonk (EPA_TC05) (2012 & 2013), MassDEP 4-8 times per year – just downstream of culvert southeast of Barney Avenue, Rehoboth (W2447) (2015-2018) and (just a few feet further downstream) EPA 1-2 times per year – @ the access Rd. off Barney Ave, ~350ft SSW from RT.195 (EPA_TC07) (2012-13 & 2015-19). EPA data were insufficient to make an assessment (as per the CALM “Use Attainment Impairment Decision Schema”). However, analysis of the DEP data (at the downstream end of the AU) indicated 50% of intervals had GMs >630 cfu/100ml in 2016, but 0% of intervals did in the other 3 sample years; 2 samples exceeded the 1260 cfu/100ml STV in 2016, but there were only 0-1 exceedances of the STV in the other 3 sample years; in addition, only 12% of the cumulative intervals had GMs >630 cfu/100ml. Since the *E. coli* concentrations were below the use attainment impairment thresholds for this multi-year moderate frequency dataset, the Secondary Contact Recreational Use for this Torrey Creek AU (MA53-14) will continue to be assessed as Fully Supporting.

Monitoring Stations

Station Code	Organization	Type	Water Body	Station Description	Latitude	Longitude
EPA_TC05	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Torrey Creek	On Seekonk Speedway property, Seekonk	41.785509	-71.298848
EPA_TC07	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Torrey Creek	Torrey Creek @ access rd off Barney Ave, approximately 350ft SSW from RT.195, Rehoboth	41.780662	-71.288315
W2447	MassDEP	Water Quality	Torrey Creek	[just downstream of culvert southeast of Barney Avenue, Rehoboth]	41.780692	-71.288306

Bacteria Data

Bacteria Data Collected by MassDEP and External Data Providers 2011-2020 (90-day Interval Analysis) (EPA 2020)

(MassDEP Undated 3) (MassDEP Undated 8) (MassDEP Undated 5)

[Result units are CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml]

Station Code	Organization	Indicator	Start Date	End Date	Sample Count	Minimum Sample Result (CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml)	Maximum Sample Result (CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml)	Seasonal Geometric Mean (CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml)
EPA_TC05	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	16	16	16
EPA_TC05	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	4	147	24
EPA_TC07	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	85	85	85
EPA_TC07	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	318	953	551
EPA_TC07	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	09/09/15	09/09/15	1	1670	1670	1670
EPA_TC07	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	04/19/16	04/19/16	1	187	187	187
EPA_TC07	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	04/20/17	05/31/17	2	21	179	61
W2447	MassDEP	E. coli	05/06/13	09/09/13	2	248	921	478
W2447	MassDEP	E. coli	07/07/15	09/09/15	4	261	1670	576
W2447	MassDEP	E. coli	05/17/16	11/09/16	7	74	12000	464
W2447	MassDEP	E. coli	05/31/17	11/14/17	7	73	866	257
W2447	MassDEP	E. coli	04/24/18	11/05/18	8	15	727	135

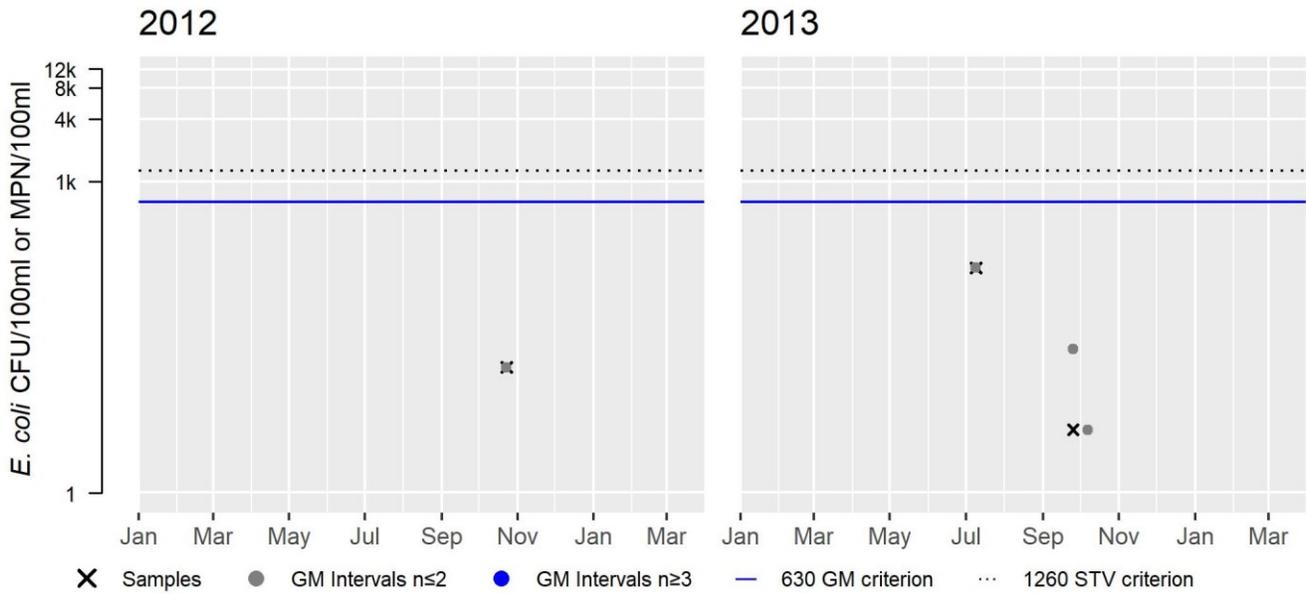
EPA_TC05 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Secondary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	1
SeasGM	16
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Var	Res
Samples	2
SeasGM	24
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

Variable	Cumulative %GMI Ex (all years)
Result	0

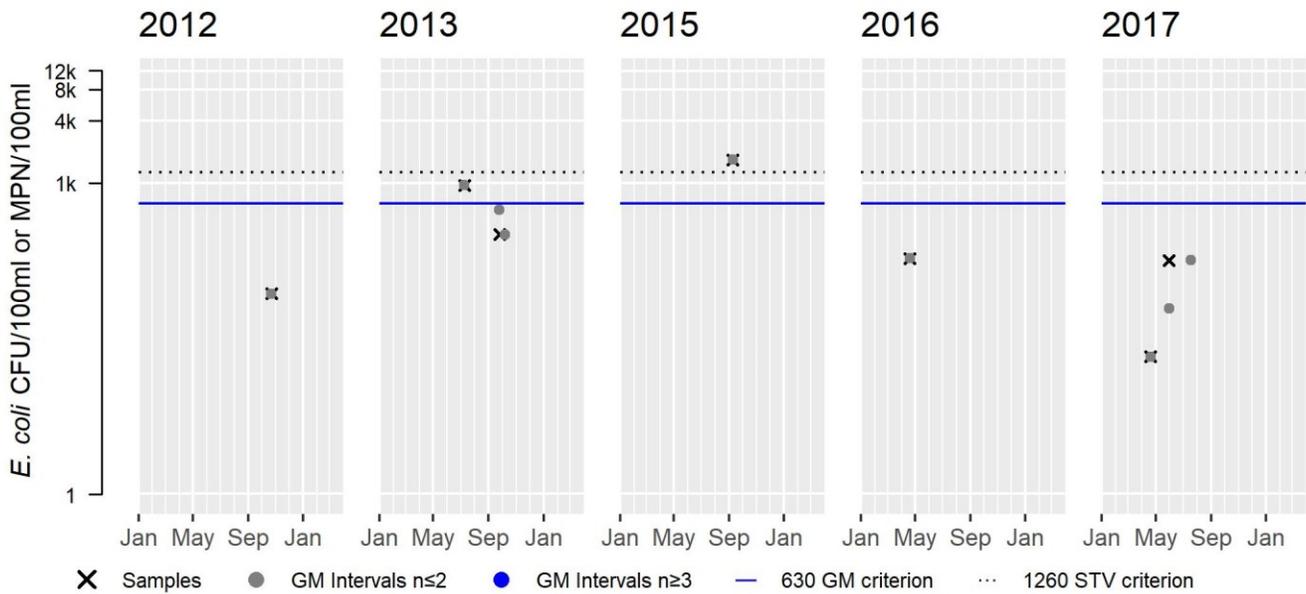


EPA_TC07 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Secondary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res	Var	Res	Var	Res	Var	Res	Var	Res
Samples	1	Samples	2	Samples	1	Samples	1	Samples	2
SeasGM	85	SeasGM	551	SeasGM	1670	SeasGM	187	SeasGM	61
#GMI	0	#GMI	0	#GMI	0	#GMI	0	#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0	#GMI Ex	0	#GMI Ex	0	#GMI Ex	0	#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0	%GMI Ex	0	%GMI Ex	0	%GMI Ex	0	%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0	n>STV	0	n>STV	1	n>STV	0	n>STV	0
%n>STV	0	%n>STV	0	%n>STV	100	%n>STV	0	%n>STV	0

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

Variable	Cumulative %GMI Ex (all years)
Result	0

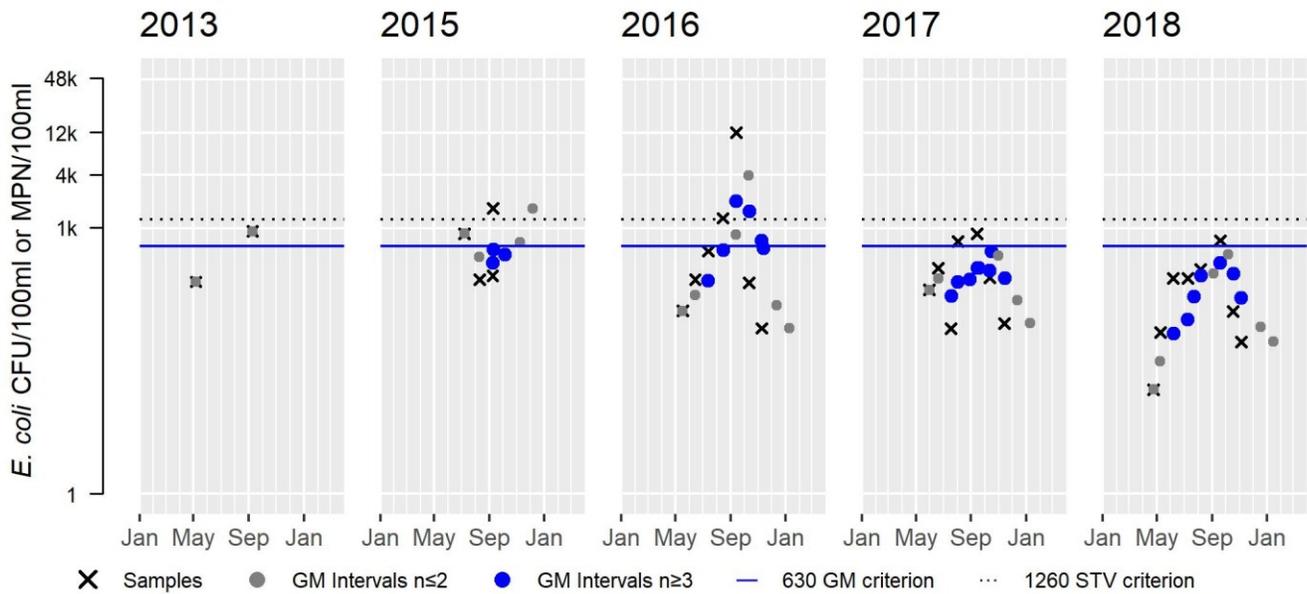


W2447 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Secondary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res								
Samples	2	Samples	4	Samples	7	Samples	7	Samples	8
SeasGM	478	SeasGM	576	SeasGM	464	SeasGM	257	SeasGM	135
#GMI	0	#GMI	3	#GMI	6	#GMI	8	#GMI	7
#GMI Ex	0	#GMI Ex	0	#GMI Ex	3	#GMI Ex	0	#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0	%GMI Ex	0	%GMI Ex	50	%GMI Ex	0	%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0	n>STV	1	n>STV	2	n>STV	0	n>STV	0
%n>STV	0	%n>STV	25	%n>STV	29	%n>STV	0	%n>STV	0

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

Variable	Cumulative %GMI Ex (all years)
Result	12



Torrey Creek (MA53-17)

Location:	From just downstream of Barney Avenue, Rehoboth to confluence with Palmer River, Rehoboth (formerly part of 2008 segment: Torrey Creek MA53-14).
AU Type:	ESTUARY
AU Size:	0.004 SQUARE MILES
Classification/Qualifier:	SA: SFO

2018/20 AU Category	2022 AU Category	Impairment	ATTAINS Action ID	Impairment Change Summary
4a	4a	Fecal Coliform	35088	Unchanged

Impairment	Source (Confirmed Y/N)	Fish, other Aquatic Life and Wildlife	Fish Consumption	Shellfish Harvesting	Aesthetic	Primary Contact Recreation	Secondary Contact Recreation
Fecal Coliform	Agriculture (Y)			X			

Designated Use Attainment Decisions

Fish, other Aquatic Life and Wildlife

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Not Assessed	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
No data are available to assess the status of the Aquatic Life Use for this Torrey Creek AU (MA53-17), so it is Not Assessed.	

Fish Consumption

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Not Assessed	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
No site-specific fish consumption advisory has been issued by DPH; therefore, the Fish Consumption Use for this Torrey Creek AU (MA53-17) is Not Assessed.	

Shellfish Harvesting

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Not Supporting	YES
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
Torrey Creek (MA53-17): The total of all shellfish growing area classifications (Bettencourt August 25, 2021) within this AU is 0.0003 sq mi (6%). The approved shellfish growing area represents 0 sq mi (0%). The prohibited shellfish growing area represents 0.0003 sq mi (6%). There is insufficient information available to assess the Shellfish Harvesting Use because the growing areas within this AU are classified as either entirely prohibited or a combination of approved and prohibited. Alert due to prohibited area >= 0.0001 sq mi. There is insufficient information available to delist the existing Fecal Coliform impairment, so the Shellfish Harvesting Use is evaluated as not supporting.	

Shellfish Growing Area Classifications

MassDFG-Division of Marine Fisheries Shellfish Growing Area Classification Data (Bettencourt August 25, 2021) (MassDEP Undated 6)

Area Name	Waterbody/Area Description	Classification	Area (Sq. Mi.)	Area (% of AU)
MHB5.0	Palmer River	Prohibited	0.00026	6.2%

Aesthetic

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Not Assessed	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
No data are available to assess the status of the Aesthetic Use for this Torrey Creek AU (MA53-17), so it is Not Assessed.	

Primary Contact Recreation

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Insufficient Information	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
<i>Enterococcus</i> bacteria data were collected by EPA in this Torrey Creek AU (MA53-17) at the outlet of the creek (the downstream end of the AU) (EPA_PM62) once in 2013. Too limited bacteria data are available to assess the Primary Contact Recreational Use for this Torrey Creek AU (MA53-17) according to the CALM "Use Attainment Impairment Decision Schema" so it is assessed as Insufficient Information.	

Monitoring Stations

Station Code	Organization	Type	Water Body	Station Description	Latitude	Longitude
EPA_PM62	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Palmer River	Torrey Creek outlet to Palmer Mainstem, discharging at right bank of mainstem, ~ 0.2 mi downstrm I-195, Rehoboth	41.776854	-71.283571

Bacteria Data

Bacteria Data Collected by MassDEP and External Data Providers 2011-2020 (90-day Interval Analysis) (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)

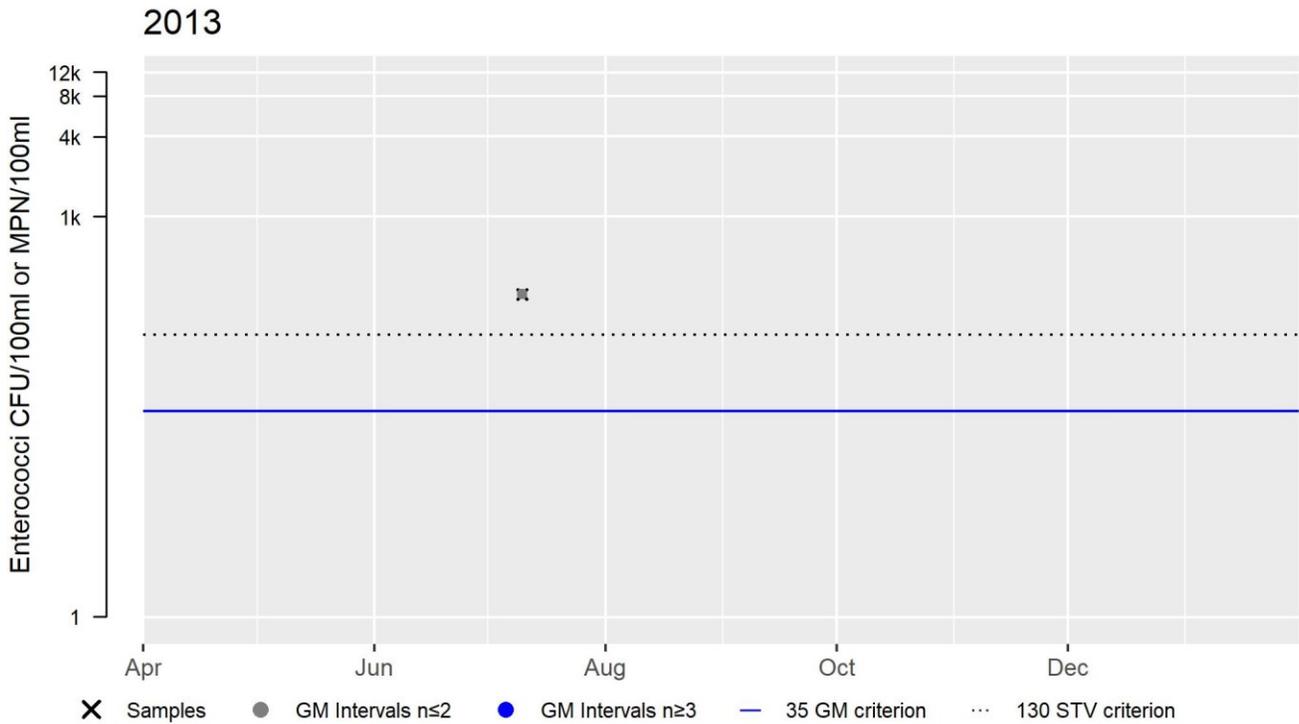
[Result units are CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml]

Station Code	Organization	Indicator	Start Date	End Date	Sample Count	Minimum Sample Result	Maximum Sample Result	Seasonal Geometric Mean
EPA_PM62	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	07/10/13	07/10/13	1	262	262	262

EPA_PM62 Enterococci (90-day Interval), Primary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	1
SeasGM	262
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	1
%n>STV	100

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV



Shellfish Growing Area Classifications

MassDEP Summary Statement for MassDFG Shellfish Growing Area Classification Data (Bettencourt August 25, 2021)
(MassDEP Undated 6)

Summary
Torrey Creek (MA53-17): The total of all shellfish growing area classifications (Bettencourt August 25, 2021) within this AU is 0.0003 sq mi (6%). The approved shellfish growing area represents 0 sq mi (0%). Because the total of all shellfish growing area classifications is anything less than “approved”, the Primary Contact Recreational Use cannot be assessed for 2022 using the shellfish classification data.

Secondary Contact Recreation

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Insufficient Information	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	

Enterococcus bacteria data were collected by EPA in this Torrey Creek AU (MA53-17) at the outlet of the creek (the downstream end of the AU) (EPA_PM62) once in 2013. Too limited bacteria data are available to assess the Secondary Contact Recreational Use for this Torrey Creek AU (MA53-17) according to the CALM "Use Attainment Impairment Decision Schema" so it is assessed as Insufficient Information.

Monitoring Stations

Station Code	Organization	Type	Water Body	Station Description	Latitude	Longitude
EPA_PM62	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Palmer River	Torrey Creek outlet to Palmer Mainstem, discharging at right bank of mainstem, ~ 0.2 mi downstrm I-195, Rehoboth	41.776854	-71.283571

Bacteria Data

Bacteria Data Collected by MassDEP and External Data Providers 2011-2020 (90-day Interval Analysis) (EPA 2020)

(MassDEP Undated 3)

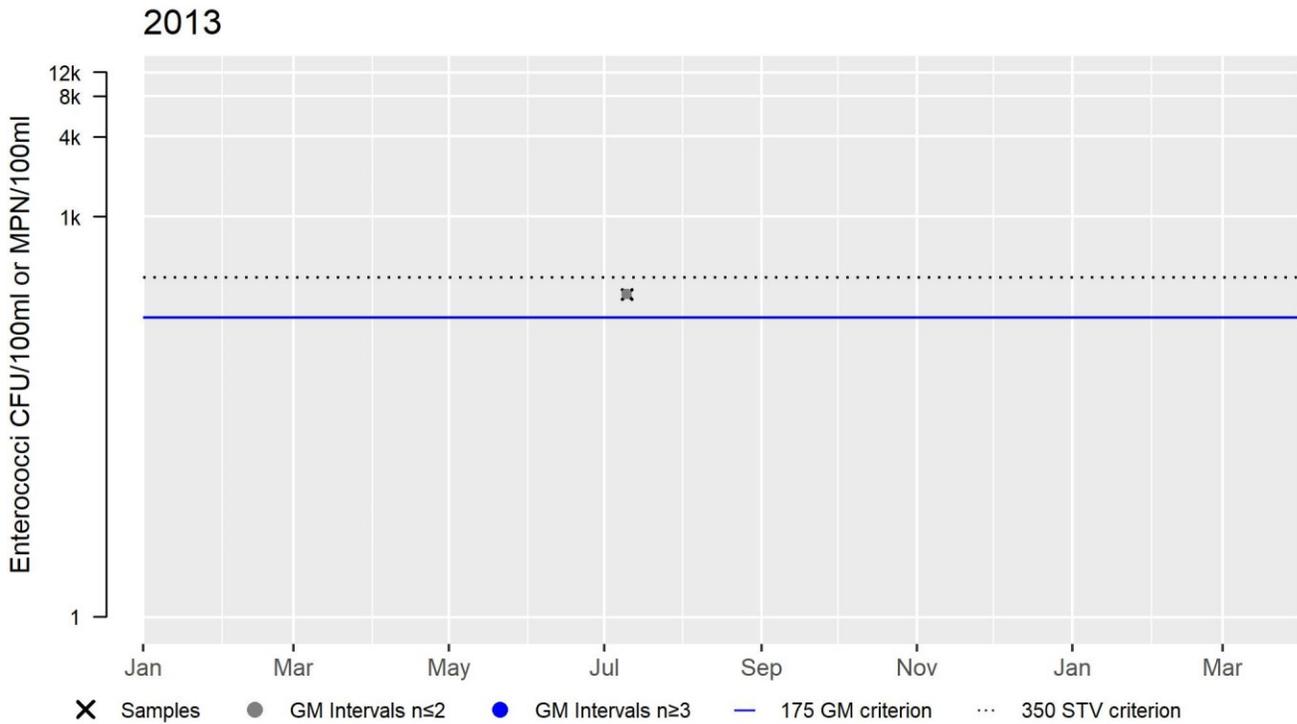
[Result units are CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml]

Station Code	Organization	Indicator	Start Date	End Date	Sample Count	Minimum Sample Result (CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml)	Maximum Sample Result (CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml)	Seasonal Geometric Mean (CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml)
EPA_PM62	Environmental Protection Agency	Enterococci	07/10/13	07/10/13	1	262	262	262

EPA_PM62 Enterococci (90-day Interval), Secondary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	1
SeasGM	262
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV



Shellfish Growing Area Classifications

MassDEP Summary Statement for MassDFG Shellfish Growing Area Classification Data (Bettencourt August 25, 2021)
(MassDEP Undated 6)

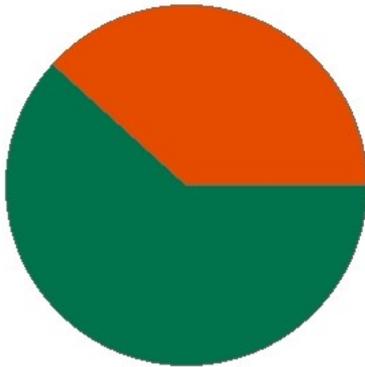
Summary
Torrey Creek (MA53-17): The total of all shellfish growing area classifications (Bettencourt August 25, 2021) within this AU is 0.0003 sq mi (6%). The approved shellfish growing area represents 0 sq mi (0%). Because the total of all shellfish growing area classifications is anything less than “approved”, the Secondary Contact Recreational Use cannot be assessed for 2022 using the shellfish classification data.

Unnamed Tributary (MA53-21)

Location:	Headwaters east of Agawam Court, Seekonk to inlet of unnamed pond south of Sagamore Road, Seekonk.
AU Type:	RIVER
AU Size:	0.6 MILES
Classification/Qualifier:	B

Unnamed Tributary - MA53-21

Watershed Area: 0.33 square miles



Percent Agriculture
 Percent Natural
 Percent Developed
 Percent Wetland

Landuse Type	Entire Basin	5km Radius Proximal Subbasin	100m Stream Buffer	Proximal Stream Buffer
Land Use Area (square miles)	0.33	0.33	0.07	0.07
Agriculture	0%	0%	0%	0%
Developed	38.3%	38.3%	20.5%	20.5%
Natural	61.7%	61.7%	79.5%	79.5%
Wetland	0%	0%	0%	0%
Impervious Cover	16.9%			

2018/20 AU Category	2022 AU Category	Impairment	ATTAINS Action ID	Impairment Change Summary
5	5	Escherichia Coli (E. Coli)		Unchanged

Impairment	Source (Confirmed Y/N)	Fish, other Aquatic Life and Wildlife	Fish Consumption	Aesthetic	Primary Contact Recreation	Secondary Contact Recreation
Escherichia Coli (E. Coli)	Discharges from Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4) (N)				X	
Escherichia Coli (E. Coli)	On-site Treatment Systems (Septic Systems and Similar Decentralized Systems) (N)				X	
Escherichia Coli (E. Coli)	Source Unknown (N)				X	

Designated Use Attainment Decisions

Fish, other Aquatic Life and Wildlife

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Insufficient Information	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
EPA conducted limited discrete water quality monitoring at downstream end of this unnamed tributary AU (MA53-21) at Sagamore Rd, Seekonk (EPA_CR04), in the fall of 2012 and summer of 2013. The data were indicative of good water quality: pH ranged from 6.7-7.7SU (n=3); maximum temperature 14.7°C (n=1); minimum DO 9.3mg/L and maximum DO saturation 105.3% (n=3). Specific conductance was all low with a maximum of 293µS/cm (n=3), with none measuring above the estimated chloride criterion. There was no other monitoring data (biological or physico-chemical) collected for in this Unnamed Tributary. Too limited data are available to assess the Aquatic Life Use for this Unnamed Tributary (MA53-21) so it is assessed as Insufficient Information.	

Monitoring Stations

Station Code	Organization	Type	Water Body	Station Description	Latitude	Longitude
EPA_CR04	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Unnamed Tributary	Unnamed tributary @ Sagamore Road, Seekonk	41.805617	-71.310738

Physico-chemical Water Quality Information

DO, pH, Temperature

EPA Freshwater Discrete Dissolved Oxygen Data (2012-2013). (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)

[CW= Coldwater, WW= Warmwater]

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	DO Count	DO Min (mg/L)	DO Avg (mg/L)	Count CW <5.0	Count WW Early Life Stages <5.0	Count WW Other Life Stages <4.0
EPA_CR04	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	10.9	10.9	0	0	0
EPA_CR04	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	9.3	9.3	0	0	0

EPA Freshwater Discrete Temperature Data (2012, 2013 & 2016-2019). (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)

[Summer Index is June 1 – Sept 15; CW= Coldwater, WW= Warmwater]

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	Temp Count	Index Count	Temp Max (°C)	Temp Avg (°C)	Count CW >20	Count CW >22	Count WW >28.3	Count WW >30.3
EPA_CR04	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	0	13.6	13.6	0	0	0	0
EPA_CR04	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	1	14.7	14.3	0	0	0	0

EPA Discrete pH Data (2012-2013). (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	pH Count	pH Min (SU)	pH Max (SU)	pH Count <6.5 or >8.3	pH Count <6.0 or >8.8
EPA_CR04	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	7.7	7.7	0	0
EPA_CR04	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	6.7	7.1	0	0

Nutrients (Primary Producer Screening, Physico-chemical Screening)

EPA Freshwater Nutrient Enrichment Indicator Data (2012, 2013 & 2016-2019). (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)

[Summer seasonal total phosphorus data collected May-Sept]

Station Code	Data Year	Seasonal TP Count	Seasonal TP Min (mg/L)	Seasonal TP Max (mg/L)	Seasonal TP Avg (mg/L)	DO Sat Max (%)	pH Max (SU)
EPA_CR04	2012	--	--	--	--	105.3	7.7
EPA_CR04	2013	--	--	--	--	92.4	7.1

Toxics and other pollutants (metals, ammonia, chloride, chlorine)

EPA Discrete Specific Conductance Data (2012-2013, 2016-2019) Compared to Estimated Chloride Criteria. (EPA 2020)

(MassDEP Undated 3)

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	SpCond Count	SpCond Min (µs/cm)	SpCond Max (µs/cm)	Count SpCond >904	Count SpCond >994	Count SpCond >3193	Count SpCond >3512	Consecutive sets >904	Consecutive sets >994
EPA_CR04	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	227	227	0	0	0	0	0	0
EPA_CR04	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	239	293	0	0	0	0	0	0

Fish Consumption

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Not Assessed	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
No site-specific fish consumption advisory has been issued by DPH; therefore, the Fish Consumption Use for Unnamed Tributary (MA53-21) is Not Assessed.	

Aesthetic

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Not Assessed	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
No data are available to assess the status of the Aesthetic Use for this Unnamed Tributary (MA53-21), so it is Not Assessed.	

Primary Contact Recreation

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Not Supporting	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
<p><i>E. coli</i> bacteria data were collected in the unnamed tributary (MA53-21) at the following sampling stations (data years): EPA sampled at the downstream end of the AU (at Sagamore Rd) (EPA_CR04) once in 2012 and twice in 2013. <i>E. coli</i> counts were usually less than 126 cfu/100ml and always less than the 410 STV criterion. Too limited data are available to assess the Primary Contact Recreational Use for this Unnamed Tributary (MA53-21) according to the CALM "Use Attainment Impairment Decision Schema" so this use will continue to be assessed as Not Supporting with the <i>E. coli</i> impairment being carried forward.</p>	

Monitoring Stations

Station Code	Organization	Type	Water Body	Station Description	Latitude	Longitude
EPA_CR04	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Clear Run Brook	Clear Run Brook @ Sagamore Road, Seekonk	41.805617	-71.310738

*Bacteria Data***Bacteria Data Collected by MassDEP and External Data Providers 2011-2020 (90-day Interval Analysis) (EPA 2020)**

(MassDEP Undated 3)

[Result units are CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml]

Station Code	Organization	Indicator	Start Date	End Date	Sample Count	Minimum Sample Result	Maximum Sample Result	Seasonal Geometric Mean
EPA_CR04	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	8	8	8
EPA_CR04	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	73	215	125

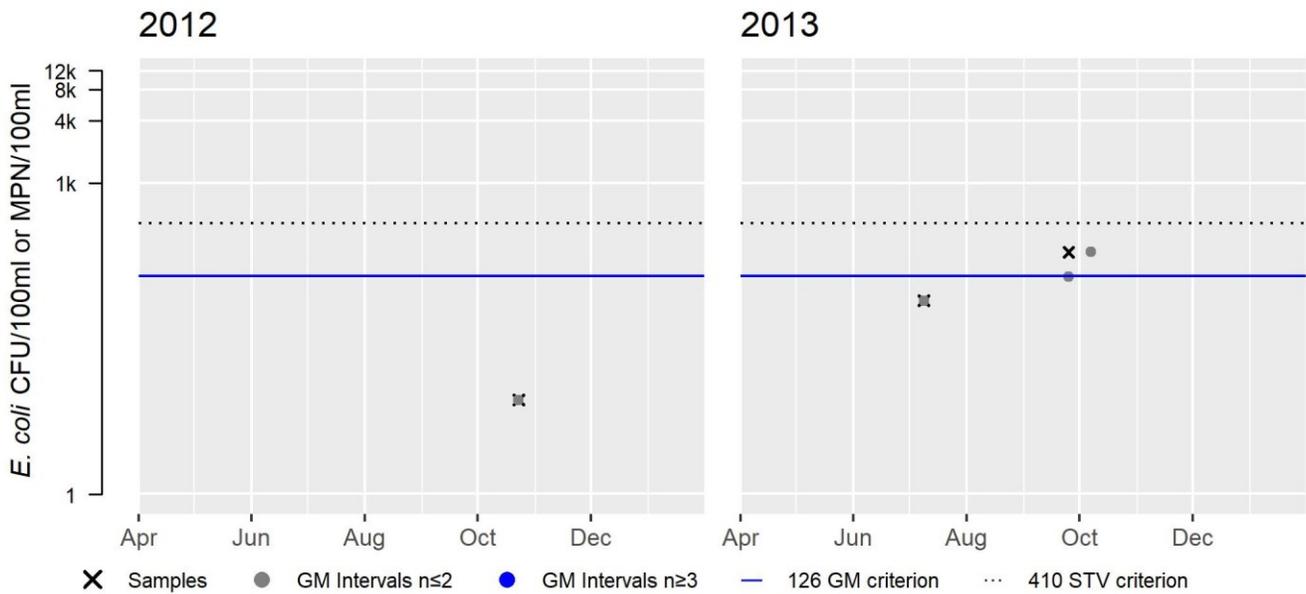
EPA_CR04 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Primary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	1
SeasGM	8
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Var	Res
Samples	2
SeasGM	125
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

Variable	Cumulative %GMI Ex (all years)
Result	0



Secondary Contact Recreation

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Insufficient Information	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
<p><i>E. coli</i> bacteria data were collected in the unnamed tributary (MA53-21) at the following sampling stations (data years): EPA sampled at the downstream end of the AU (at Sagamore Rd) (EPA_CR04) once in 2012 and twice in 2013 at EPA_CR04. <i>E. coli</i> counts were always less than 630 cfu/100ml. The available bacteria data are too limited to assess the Secondary Contact Recreational Use for this AU according to the CALM "Use Attainment Impairment Decision Schema"; consequently, this unnamed tributary is assessed as having Insufficient Information</p>	

Monitoring Stations

Station Code	Organization	Type	Water Body	Station Description	Latitude	Longitude
EPA_CR04	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Clear Run Brook	Clear Run Brook @ Sagamore Road, Seekonk	41.805617	-71.310738

Bacteria Data

Bacteria Data Collected by MassDEP and External Data Providers 2011-2020 (90-day Interval Analysis) (EPA 2020)

(MassDEP Undated 3)

[Result units are CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml]

Station Code	Organization	Indicator	Start Date	End Date	Sample Count	Minimum Sample Result (CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml)	Maximum Sample Result (CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml)	Seasonal Geometric Mean (CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml)
EPA_CR04	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	8	8	8
EPA_CR04	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	73	215	125

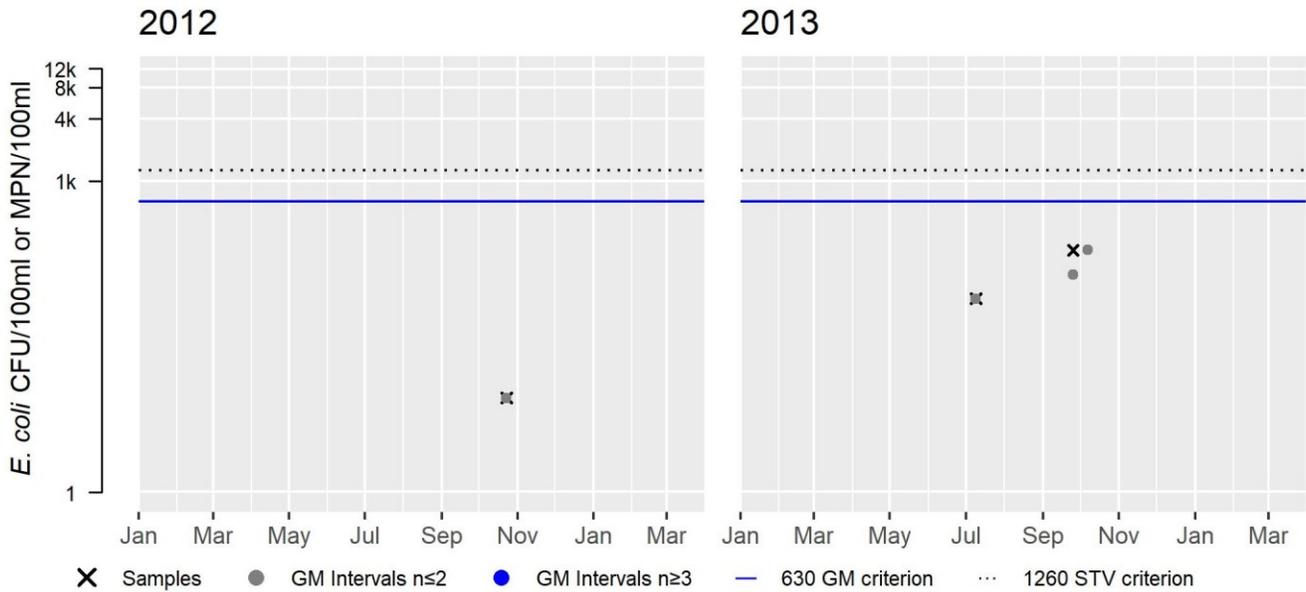
EPA_CR04 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Secondary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	1
SeasGM	8
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Var	Res
Samples	2
SeasGM	125
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

Variable	Cumulative %GMI Ex (all years)
Result	0



Warren River Pond (MA53-06)

Location:	Salt pond in Swansea on MA/RI border (portion in MA only).
AU Type:	ESTUARY
AU Size:	0.06 SQUARE MILES
Classification/Qualifier:	SA: SFO

2018/20 AU Category	2022 AU Category	Impairment	ATTAINS Action ID	Impairment Change Summary
4a	4a	Fecal Coliform	38904	Unchanged

Impairment	Source (Confirmed Y/N)	Fish, other Aquatic Life and Wildlife	Fish Consumption	Shellfish Harvesting	Aesthetic	Primary Contact Recreation	Secondary Contact Recreation
Fecal Coliform	Source Unknown (N)			X			

Recommendations

2022 Recommendations

ALU: Additional dissolved oxygen monitoring at Warren River Pond should be conducted to better evaluate to clarify if it is meeting criteria.

Designated Use Attainment Decisions

Fish, other Aquatic Life and Wildlife

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Insufficient Information	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
EPA conducted one discrete water quality monitoring survey at the Warren River Pond spillway where it discharges into the Palmer River, in Swansea (EPA_SC42), in July 2013. The data were usually indicative of good water quality for this estuarine AU: pH was 7.1SU; maximum temperature 27.4°C; minimum DO was a little low to be protective of anadromous fish early life stages (at 4.2mg/L), with a maximum DO saturation of 53%. No other monitoring data (biological or physico-chemical) were collected. Too limited data area available to assess the Aquatic Life Use for Warren River Pond so it is assessed as having Insufficient Information.	

Monitoring Stations

Station Code	Organization	Type	Water Body	Station Description	Latitude	Longitude
EPA_SC42	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	Palmer R Estuary	Pond spillway into Palmer River, Swansea	41.762753	-71.282398

Physico-chemical Water Quality Information

DO, pH, Temperature

EPA Estuarine Discrete Dissolved Oxygen Data (2012-2013). (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	DO Count	DO Min (mg/L)	DO Avg (mg/L)	% Meas. <5.0	% Meas. <4.0
EPA_SC42	07/09/13	07/09/13	1	4.2	4.2	100	0

EPA Estuarine Discrete Temperature Data (2012, 2013 & 2016-2019). (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)

[Summer Index is June 1 – Sept 15]

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	Temp Count	Index Count	Temp Max (°C)	Temp Avg (°C)	Count >29.4
EPA_SC42	07/09/13	07/09/13	1	1	27.4	27.4	0

EPA Discrete pH Data (2012-2013). (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	pH Count	pH Min (SU)	pH Max (SU)	pH Count <6.5 or >8.3	pH Count <6.0 or >8.8
EPA_SC42	07/09/13	07/09/13	1	7.1	7.1	0	0

Nutrients (Primary Producer Screening, Physico-chemical Screening)

Fish Consumption

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Not Assessed	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
No site-specific fish consumption advisory has been issued by DPH; therefore, the Fish Consumption Use for Warren River Pond (MA53-06) is Not Assessed.	

Shellfish Harvesting

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Not Supporting	YES
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
Warren River Pond (MA53-06): The total of all shellfish growing area classifications (Bettencourt August 25, 2021) within this AU is 0.0538 sq mi (91%). The approved shellfish growing area represents 0 sq mi (0%). The prohibited shellfish growing area represents 0.0538 sq mi (91%). There is insufficient information available to assess the Shellfish Harvesting Use because the growing areas within this AU are classified as either entirely prohibited or a combination of approved and prohibited. Alert due to prohibited area >= 0.0001 sq mi. There is insufficient information available to delist the existing Fecal Coliform impairment, so the Shellfish Harvesting Use is evaluated as not supporting.	

Shellfish Growing Area Classifications

MassDFG-Division of Marine Fisheries Shellfish Growing Area Classification Data (Bettencourt August 25, 2021) (MassDEP Undated 6)

Area Name	Waterbody/Area Description	Classification	Area (Sq. Mi.)	Area (% of AU)
MHB5.0	Palmer River	Prohibited	0.05379	90.7%

Aesthetic

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Not Assessed	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
No data are available to assess the status of the Aesthetic Use for Warren River Pond (MA53-06), so it is Not Assessed.	

Primary Contact Recreation

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Not Assessed	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
No data are available to assess the Primary Contact Recreational Use for Warren River Pond, so it is Not Assessed.	

*Bacteria Data***MassDEP Bacteria Source Tracking (BST) Summary Statement for 2011-2019** (MassDEP Undated 1)

Summary
BST work was conducted at 1 site in the Warren Pond AU (MA53-06) in 2013, at the point where the pond discharges to the Palmer River (MA53-03), with <i>E. coli</i> counts of <10MPN (n=2). BST work was also conducted on an unnamed tributary (in effect a series of small ponds) to the Warren Pond AU in 2013, with <i>E. coli</i> counts ranging <1 to 3,654MPN. No correctable source was ever found.

*Shellfish Growing Area Classifications***MassDEP Summary Statement for MassDFG Shellfish Growing Area Classification Data** (Bettencourt August 25, 2021) (MassDEP Undated 6)

Summary
Warren River Pond (MA53-06): The total of all shellfish growing area classifications (Bettencourt August 25, 2021) within this AU is 0.0538 sq mi (91%). The approved shellfish growing area represents 0 sq mi (0%). Because the total of all shellfish growing area classifications is anything less than “approved”, the Primary Contact Recreational Use cannot be assessed for 2022 using the shellfish classification data.

Secondary Contact Recreation

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Not Assessed	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
No data are available to assess the Secondary Contact Recreational Use for Warren River Pond, so it is Not Assessed	

*Shellfish Growing Area Classifications***MassDEP Summary Statement for MassDFG Shellfish Growing Area Classification Data** (Bettencourt August 25, 2021) (MassDEP Undated 6)

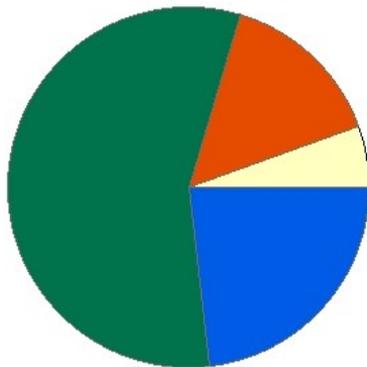
Summary
Warren River Pond (MA53-06): The total of all shellfish growing area classifications (Bettencourt August 25, 2021) within this AU is 0.0538 sq mi (91%). The approved shellfish growing area represents 0 sq mi (0%). Because the total of all shellfish growing area classifications is anything less than “approved”, the Secondary Contact Recreational Use cannot be assessed for 2022 using the shellfish classification data.

West Branch Palmer River (MA53-07)

Location:	Headwaters just north of Fairfield Street, Rehoboth to confluence with East Branch Palmer River (forming Palmer River), Rehoboth.
AU Type:	RIVER
AU Size:	4.4 MILES
Classification/Qualifier:	B

West Branch Palmer River - MA53-07

Watershed Area: 7.78 square miles



Percent Agriculture
 Percent Natural
 Percent Developed
 Percent Wetland

Landuse Type	Entire Basin	5km Radius Proximal Subbasin	100m Stream Buffer	Proximal Stream Buffer
Land Use Area (square miles)	7.78	5.02	2.25	1.57
Agriculture	5.5%	4%	7.7%	6%
Developed	14.9%	13%	13.4%	13.7%
Natural	56.5%	60.8%	45.2%	49.3%
Wetland	23.1%	22.1%	33.8%	31%
Impervious Cover	4.8%			

2018/20 AU Category	2022 AU Category	Impairment	ATTAINS Action ID	Impairment Change Summary
2	5	(Fish Passage Barrier*)		Added
2	5	Dissolved Oxygen		Added

Impairment	Source (Confirmed Y/N)	Fish, other Aquatic Life and Wildlife	Fish Consumption	Aesthetic	Primary Contact Recreation	Secondary Contact Recreation
(Fish Passage Barrier*)	Dam or Impoundment (Y)	X				
Dissolved Oxygen	Source Unknown (N)	X				

Recommendations

2022 Recommendations
ALU: Conduct water quality monitoring in the West Branch Palmer River (specifically long term DO and temperature probe deployments) to better evaluate the Aquatic Life Use and CFR habitat.

Designated Use Attainment Decisions

Fish, other Aquatic Life and Wildlife

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Not Supporting	YES
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
<p>DMF biologists note a structure causing passage limitation to diadromous fish in the middle of the West Branch Palmer River AU. The Perryville Dam (NATID# MA02466) (with no associated fishway) located just upstream of Danforth Street in Rehoboth, was given a passage score of "10" on a 0-10 scale, indicating that the dam allows no possible passage of the targeted fish species, river herring and American shad. The population score in the area was noted to be "2". It was suggested by DMF biologists that this dam could possibly be a candidate for removal, though it was noted that a fishway at this site would have little benefit. MassDFG biologists sampled the fish population (using a backpack shocker), close to the downstream end of the river above Carpenter St, Rehoboth (SampleID 5298) in October 2014. This Cold-Water Fishery Resource was found to support 17% cold-water individuals (four Eastern brook trout measuring <140mm). EPA conducted limited discrete water quality monitoring throughout the river from up to downstream at Ash Street (EPA_WB33), Perryville Rd (EPA_WB36) & Carpenter Rd (EPA_WB37), Rehoboth, in the fall of 2012 and summer of 2013. The data can be summarized as follows: pH ranged from 6.7-7.7SU (n=9); maximum temperature 22.1°C (3 of 9 measurements above 20°C at all three sites in July 2013 and above 22°C in the river at EPA_WB36. The minimum DO was 3.0mg/L (n=9), failing to meet the cold-water criterion of 5.0mg/L at all three sample stations in July 2013. The maximum DO saturation was 87.6% (n=9). Specific conductance was low (maximum 166µS/cm, n=9), with none measuring above the estimated chloride criterion. The Aquatic Life Use for the West Branch Palmer River is assessed as Not Supporting because of the barrier to diadromous fish passage at the Perryville Dam and the low DO conditions documented in the river by EPA at all three of their sampling stations in July 2013. The prior Alert for elevated temperature is being carried forward (July 9th, 2013 survey also elevated).</p>	

Monitoring Stations

Station Code	Organization	Type	Water Body	Station Description	Latitude	Longitude
5298	MassDFG	Fish Community	West Branch Palmer River	Above Carpenter Street, Rehoboth	41.85509	-71.25581

Station Code	Organization	Type	Water Body	Station Description	Latitude	Longitude
EPA_WB33	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	West Branch Palmer R	West Branch Palmer R @ Ash Street, Rehoboth	41.887273	-71.257581
EPA_WB36	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	West Branch Palmer R	West Branch Palmer River mainstem @ Perryville Rd, Rehoboth	41.870341	-71.260755
EPA_WB37	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	West Branch Palmer R	West Branch Palmer River mainstem @ Carpenter Rd, Rehoboth	41.855134	-71.255732

Biological Monitoring Information

Fish Community Data and DELTS

Fish Community Data (2014-2019) Provided by MassDFG. (MassDFG 2020) (MassDEP Undated 2)

[Sample Type: TP= Total Pickup, SP= Selective Pickup, Method: BT=Boat Shocking, BP= Backpack Shocking, BG= Barge Shocking, SE= Seine, SL= Snorkel, NS= Not Stated, MT= Minnow Trap, GN= Gillnet, FY= Fyke Net]

[Species List: AE = American Eel, CP = Chain Pickerel, EBT = Brook Trout, LMB = Largemouth Bass, RP = Redfin Pickerel, TD = Tessellated Darter]

Sample ID	Sample Date	Method	Sample Type	Total Taxa	Total Ind	EBT Ind	EBT Min Length (mm)	EBT Max Length (mm)	EBT ≤140mm Ind	SC Ind	Cold Ind %	Fluvial Ind %	Notables	CFR	Species List
5298	10/02/14	BP	TP	6	24	4	80	102	4	0	17%	25%	Yes	Yes	AE, CP, EBT, LMB, RP, TD,

Habitat and Flow Data (anthropogenic alterations)

MassDMF Status of Priority Diadromous Fish Passage Barriers. (Chase 2020)

Assessment Summary
DMF biologists note a structure causing passage limitation to diadromous fish in the middle of this Palmer River AU. The Perryville Dam (NATID# MA02466) (with no associated fishway) located just upstream of Danforth Street in Rehoboth, was given a passage score of "10" on a 0-10 scale, indicating that the dam allows no possible passage of the targeted fish species, river herring and American shad. The population score in the area was noted to be "2". It was suggested by DMF biologists that this dam could possibly be a candidate for removal, though it was noted that a fishway at this site would have little benefit. The Aquatic Life Use for Palmer River (Assessment Unit MA53-07) is assessed as Not Supporting, based on the barrier to diadromous fish passage at the Perryville Dam.

Physico-chemical Water Quality Information

DO, pH, Temperature

EPA Freshwater Discrete Dissolved Oxygen Data (2012-2013). (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)

[CW= Coldwater, WW= Warmwater]

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	DO Count	DO Min (mg/L)	DO Avg (mg/L)	Count CW <5.0	Count WW Early Life Stages <5.0	Count WW Other Life Stages <4.0
EPA_WB33	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	8.3	8.3	0	0	0
EPA_WB33	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	3.0	5.9	1	1	1
EPA_WB36	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	9.0	9.0	0	0	0
EPA_WB36	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	3.5	6.3	1	1	1
EPA_WB37	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	9.7	9.7	0	0	0
EPA_WB37	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	4.2	6.7	1	1	0

EPA Freshwater Discrete Temperature Data (2012, 2013 & 2016-2019). (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)

[Summer Index is June 1 – Sept 15; CW= Coldwater, WW= Warmwater]

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	Temp Count	Index Count	Temp Max (°C)	Temp Avg (°C)	Count CW >20	Count CW >22	Count WW >28.3	Count WW >30.3
EPA_WB33	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	0	10.4	10.4	0	0	0	0
EPA_WB33	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	1	21.1	16.2	1	0	0	0
EPA_WB36	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	0	10.7	10.7	0	0	0	0
EPA_WB36	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	1	22.1	16.7	1	1	0	0
EPA_WB37	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	0	10.8	10.8	0	0	0	0
EPA_WB37	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	1	21.8	17.0	1	0	0	0

EPA Discrete pH Data (2012-2013). (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	pH Count	pH Min (SU)	pH Max (SU)	pH Count <6.5 or >8.3	pH Count <6.0 or >8.8
EPA_WB33	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	7.4	7.4	0	0
EPA_WB33	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	6.7	7.7	0	0
EPA_WB36	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	7.4	7.4	0	0
EPA_WB36	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	7.0	7.0	0	0
EPA_WB37	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	7.3	7.3	0	0
EPA_WB37	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	6.9	6.9	0	0

Nutrients (Primary Producer Screening, Physico-chemical Screening)

EPA Freshwater Nutrient Enrichment Indicator Data (2012, 2013 & 2016-2019). (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)

[Summer seasonal total phosphorus data collected May-Sept]

Station Code	Data Year	Seasonal TP Count	Seasonal TP Min (mg/L)	Seasonal TP Max (mg/L)	Seasonal TP Avg (mg/L)	DO Sat Max (%)	pH Max (SU)
EPA_WB33	2012	--	--	--	--	74.8	7.4
EPA_WB33	2013	--	--	--	--	80.0	7.7
EPA_WB36	2012	--	--	--	--	81.3	7.4
EPA_WB36	2013	--	--	--	--	81.7	7.0
EPA_WB37	2012	--	--	--	--	87.6	7.3
EPA_WB37	2013	--	--	--	--	85.8	6.9

Toxics and other pollutants (metals, ammonia, chloride, chlorine)

EPA Discrete Specific Conductance Data (2012-2013, 2016-2019) Compared to Estimated Chloride Criteria. (EPA 2020) (MassDEP Undated 3)

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	SpCond Count	SpCond Min (µs/cm)	SpCond Max (µs/cm)	Count SpCond >904	Count SpCond >994	Count SpCond >3193	Count SpCond >3512	Consecutive sets >904	Consecutive sets >994
EPA_WB33	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	150	150	0	0	0	0	0	0
EPA_WB33	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	165	166	0	0	0	0	0	0
EPA_WB36	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	131	131	0	0	0	0	0	0
EPA_WB36	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	139	150	0	0	0	0	0	0
EPA_WB37	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	123	123	0	0	0	0	0	0

Station Code	Start Date	End Date	SpCond Count	SpCond Min ($\mu\text{s}/\text{cm}$)	SpCond Max ($\mu\text{s}/\text{cm}$)	Count SpCond >904	Count SpCond >994	Count SpCond >3193	Count SpCond >3512	Consecutive sets >904	Consecutive sets >994
EPA_WB37	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	127	133	0	0	0	0	0	0

Fish Consumption

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Not Assessed	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
No site-specific fish consumption advisory has been issued by DPH; therefore, the Fish Consumption Use for West Branch Palmer River (MA53-07) is Not Assessed.	

Aesthetic

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Not Assessed	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
No data are available to assess the status of the Aesthetic Use for West Branch Palmer River (MA53-07), so it is Not Assessed.	

Primary Contact Recreation

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Insufficient Information	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
<p><i>E. coli</i> bacteria data were collected in West Branch Palmer River (MA53-07) in Rehoboth at the following sampling stations (data years): EPA 1-2 times per year – Ash Street (EPA_WB33), Perryville Rd (EPA_WB36), and Carpenter Rd (EPA_WB37) (fall of 2012 & summer of 2013). Too limited data are available to assess the Primary Contact Recreational Use for this AU according to the CALM “Use Attainment Impairment Decision Schema”; consequently, the Primary Contact Recreational Use for the West Branch Palmer River is assessed as having Insufficient Information.</p>	

Monitoring Stations

Station Code	Organization	Type	Water Body	Station Description	Latitude	Longitude
EPA_WB33	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	West Branch Palmer R	West Branch Palmer R @ Ash Street, Rehoboth	41.887273	-71.257581
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EPA_WB37	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	West Branch Palmer R	West Branch Palmer River mainstem @ Carpenter Rd, Rehoboth	41.855134	-71.255732

*Bacteria Data***Bacteria Data Collected by MassDEP and External Data Providers 2011-2020 (90-day Interval Analysis) (EPA 2020)**

(MassDEP Undated 3)

[Result units are CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml]

Station Code	Organization	Indicator	Start Date	End Date	Sample Count	Minimum Sample Result	Maximum Sample Result	Seasonal Geometric Mean
EPA_WB33	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	4	4	4
EPA_WB33	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	81	542	210
EPA_WB36	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	133	133	133
EPA_WB36	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	326	442	380
EPA_WB37	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	12	12	12
EPA_WB37	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	76	93	84

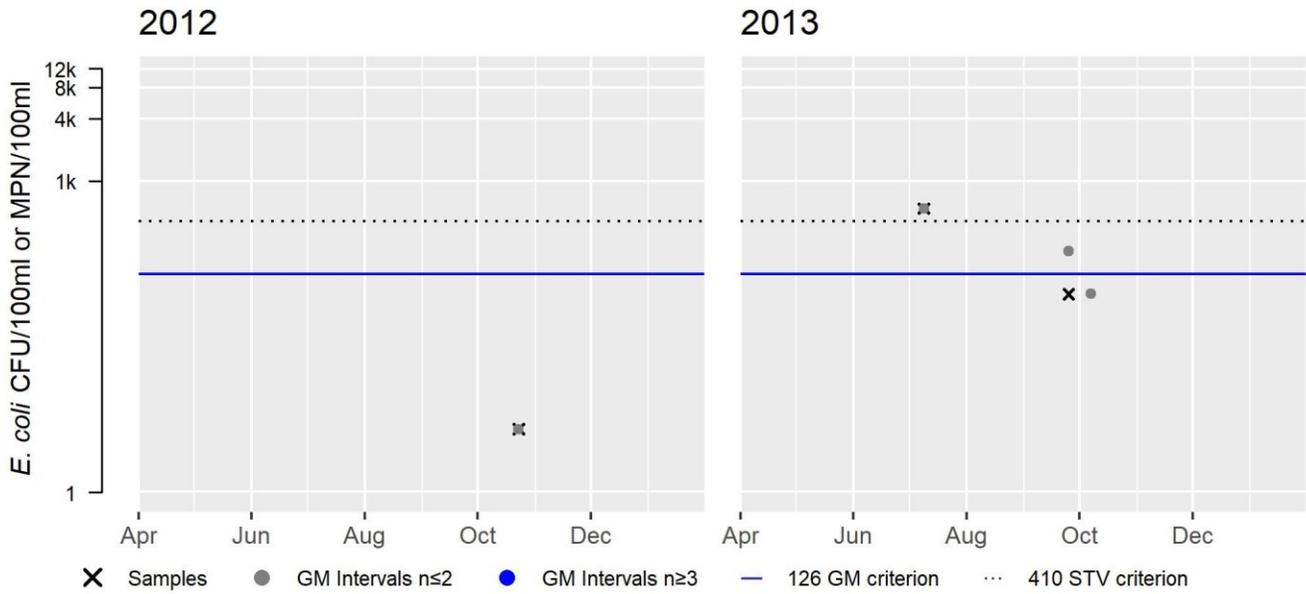
EPA_WB33 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Primary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	1
SeasGM	4
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Var	Res
Samples	2
SeasGM	210
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	1
%n>STV	50

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

Variable	Cumulative %GMI Ex (all years)
Result	0



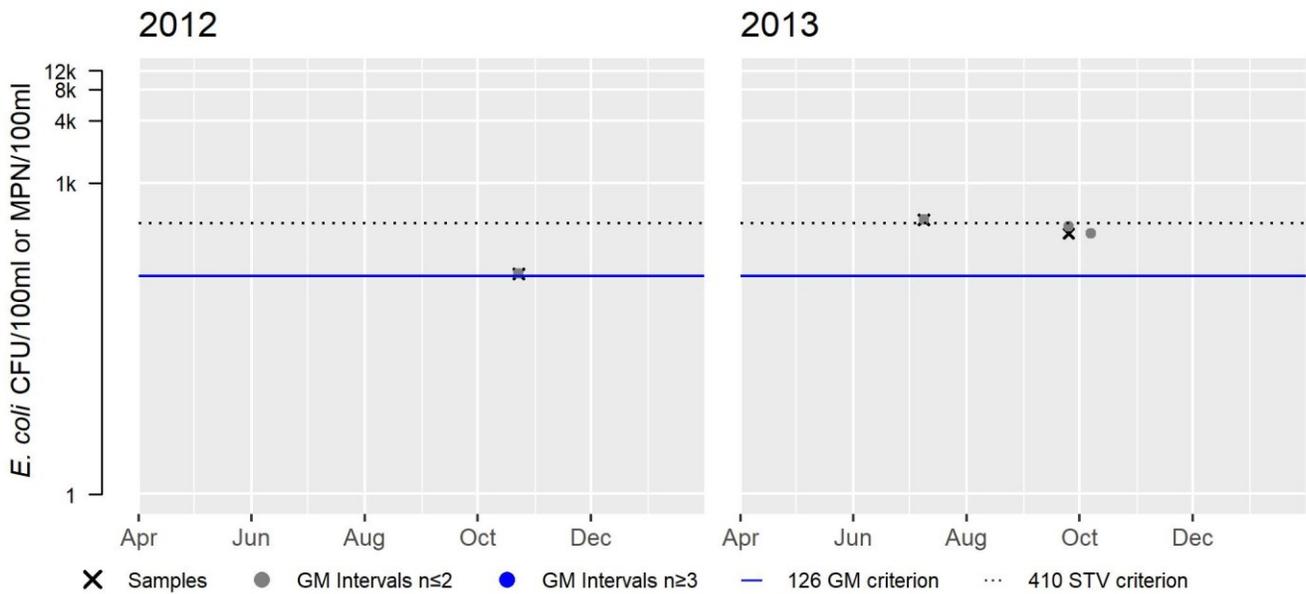
EPA_WB36 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Primary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	1
SeasGM	133
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
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n>STV	0
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Var	Res
Samples	2
SeasGM	380
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Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

Variable	Cumulative %GMI Ex (all years)
Result	0



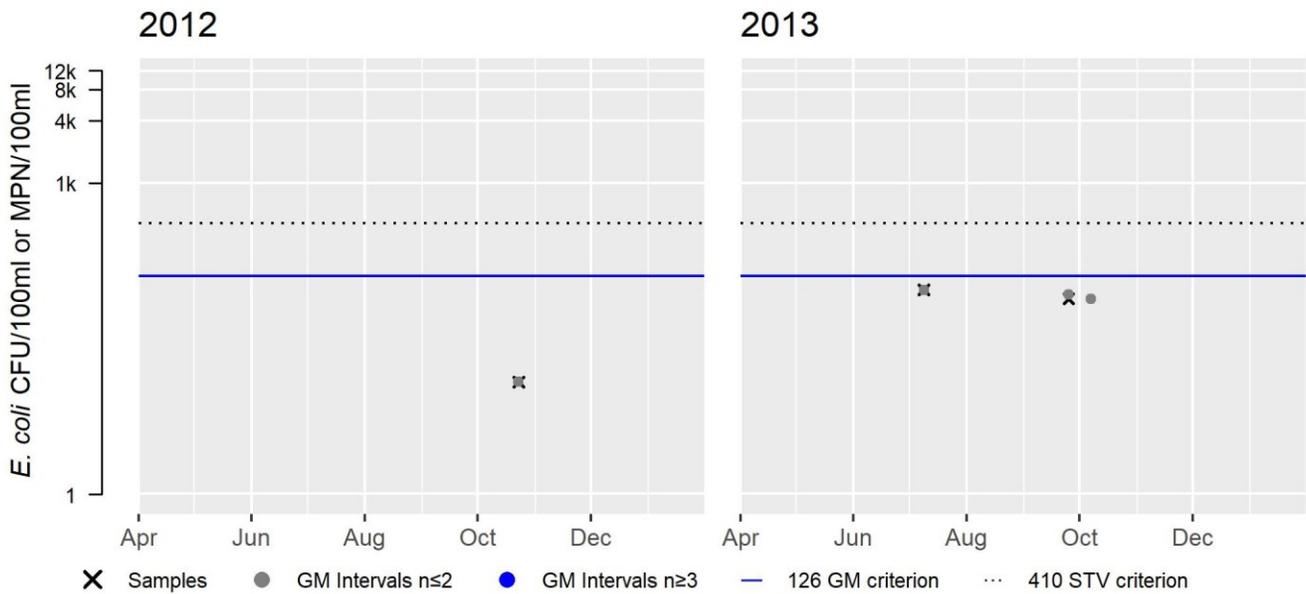
EPA_WB37 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Primary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	1
SeasGM	12
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Var	Res
Samples	2
SeasGM	84
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

Variable	Cumulative %GMI Ex (all years)
Result	0



Secondary Contact Recreation

2022 Use Attainment	Alert
Insufficient Information	NO
2022 Use Attainment Summary	
<p><i>E. coli</i> bacteria data were collected in West Branch Palmer River (MA53-07) in Rehoboth at the following sampling stations (data years): EPA 1-2 times per year – Ash Street (EPA_WB33), Perryville Rd (EPA_WB36), and Carpenter Rd (EPA_WB37) (fall of 2012 & summer of 2013). Too limited data are available to assess the Secondary Contact Recreational Use for this AU according to the CALM “Use Attainment Impairment Decision Schema”; consequently, the Secondary Contact Recreational Use for the West Branch Palmer River is assessed as having Insufficient Information.</p>	

Monitoring Stations

Station Code	Organization	Type	Water Body	Station Description	Latitude	Longitude
EPA_WB33	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	West Branch Palmer R	West Branch Palmer R @ Ash Street, Rehoboth	41.887273	-71.257581
EPA_WB36	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	West Branch Palmer R	West Branch Palmer River mainstem @ Perryville Rd, Rehoboth	41.870341	-71.260755
EPA_WB37	Environmental Protection Agency	Water Quality	West Branch Palmer R	West Branch Palmer River mainstem @ Carpenter Rd, Rehoboth	41.855134	-71.255732

Bacteria Data

Bacteria Data Collected by MassDEP and External Data Providers 2011-2020 (90-day Interval Analysis) (EPA 2020)

(MassDEP Undated 3)

[Result units are CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml]

Station Code	Organization	Indicator	Start Date	End Date	Sample Count	Minimum Sample Result (CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml)	Maximum Sample Result (CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml)	Seasonal Geometric Mean (CFU/100ml or MPN/100ml)
EPA_WB33	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	4	4	4
EPA_WB33	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	81	542	210
EPA_WB36	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	133	133	133
EPA_WB36	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	326	442	380
EPA_WB37	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	10/23/12	10/23/12	1	12	12	12
EPA_WB37	Environmental Protection Agency	E. coli	07/09/13	09/25/13	2	76	93	84

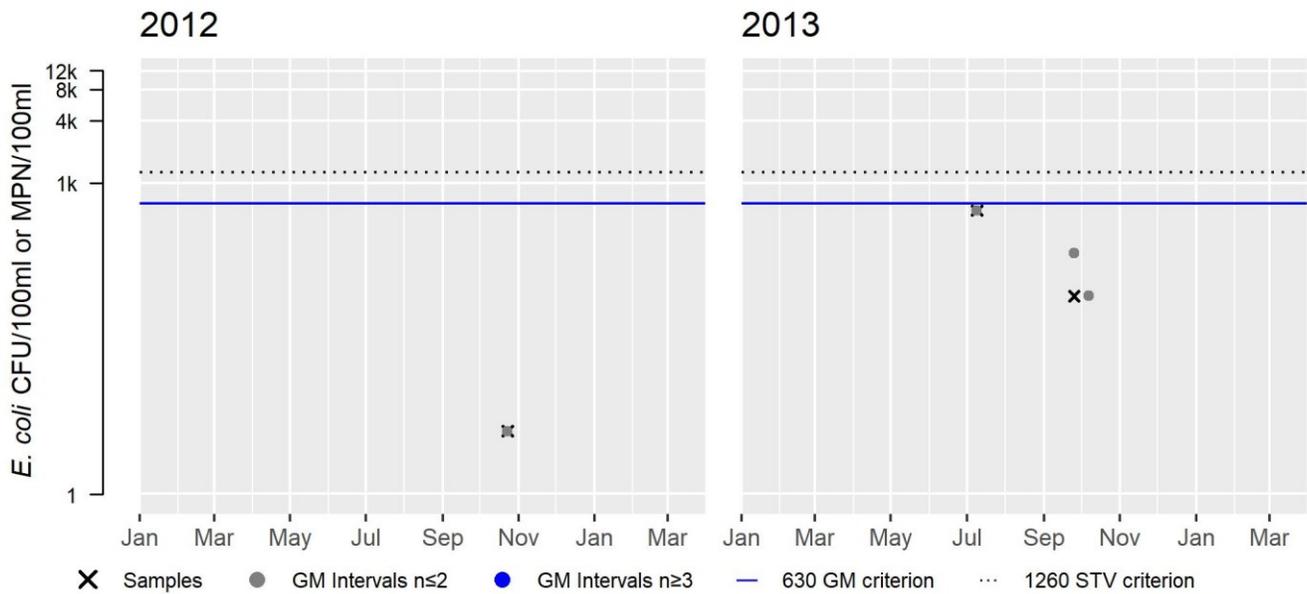
EPA_WB33 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Secondary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	1
SeasGM	4
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n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Var	Res
Samples	2
SeasGM	210
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#GMI Ex	0
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Variable	Cumulative %GMI Ex (all years)
Result	0



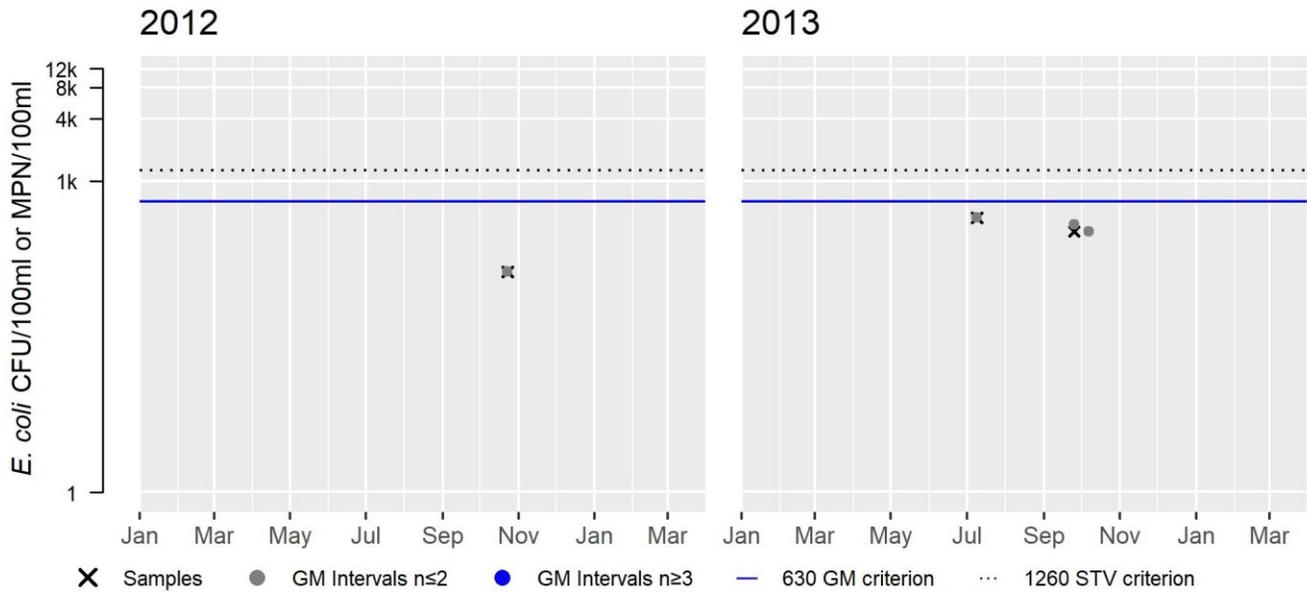
EPA_WB36 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Secondary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	1
SeasGM	133
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Var	Res
Samples	2
SeasGM	380
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
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n>STV	0
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Variable	Cumulative %GMI Ex (all years)
Result	0



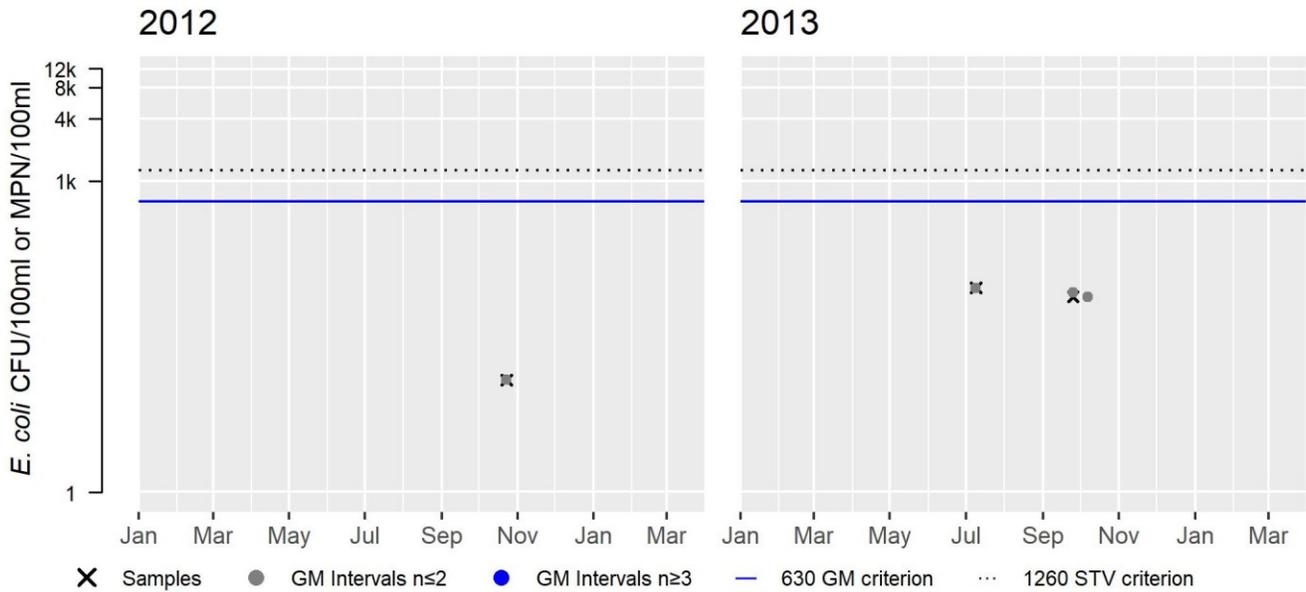
EPA_WB37 *E. coli* (90-day Interval), Secondary Contact Recreational Use Season

Var	Res
Samples	1
SeasGM	12
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Var	Res
Samples	2
SeasGM	84
#GMI	0
#GMI Ex	0
%GMI Ex	0
n>STV	0
%n>STV	0

Abbreviations: Samples = #samples; SeasGM = Seasonal Geometric Mean (GM); #GMI = number GM Intervals; #GMI Ex = number GMI Exceedances; %GMI Ex = percent GMI Exceedances; n>STV = #samples>Statistical Threshold Value (STV); %n>STV = percent samples>STV

Variable	Cumulative %GMI Ex (all years)
Result	0



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