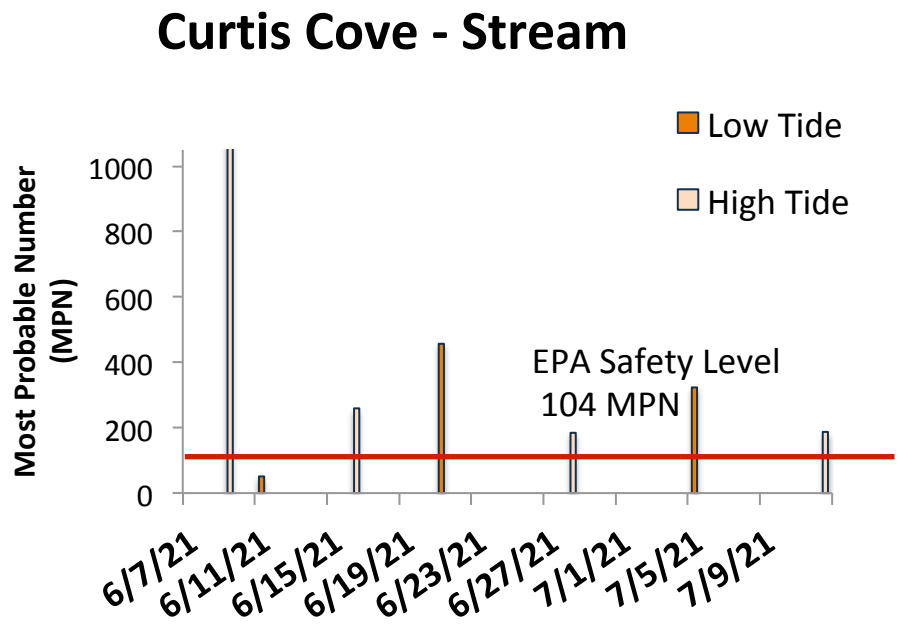
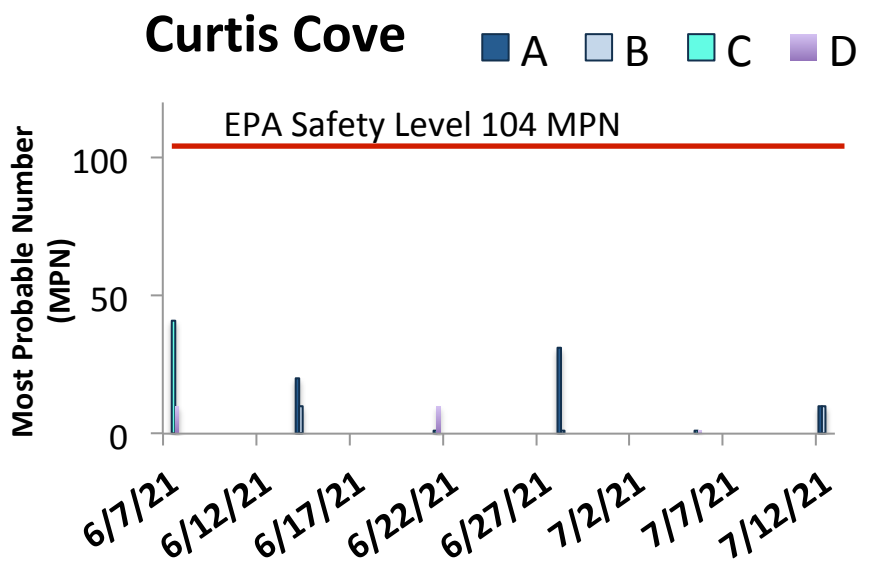
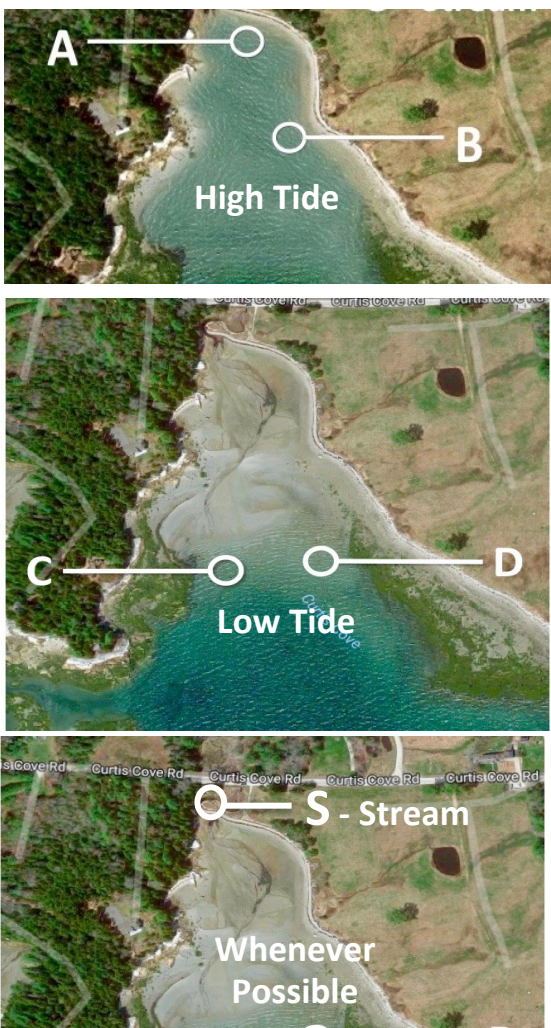






2021 Bacteria Levels at Curtis Cove






Enterococci bacteria, though not harmful themselves, indicate the presence of fecal contamination and other potentially harmful bacteria in the water. These are known to cause vomiting, diarrhea, nausea, abdominal pain, ear infections, and fever in recreational swimmers. Young children and people with compromised immune systems are especially susceptible. Beaches are monitored around the country to protect the public, but the Shaw Institute is the only organization that monitors beaches in the Blue Hill area, using the same protocols as the Maine Healthy Beaches program assessment parameters from EPA. **According to the EPA, no single sample should exceed 104 Enterococci bacteria cells per 100 mL using the most probable number method (MPN) and monthly averages should not exceed 35.** Curtis Cove is sampled every week rotating between the low and high tides.





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2021 Bacteria Levels at Curtis Cove (cont.)

Curtis Cove — 2021 Enterococci Levels			
Most Recent Sampling Days	Sampling Sites	Enterococci Bacteria Count	Meets EPA Criteria
June 21 (Low Tide)	C	<10	
	D	10	
June 28 (High Tide)	A	31	
	B	<10	
July 5 (Low Tide)	A	<10	
	B	<10	
July 12 (High Tide)	A	10	
	B	10	

Curtis Cove Stream — 2021 Enterococci Levels		
Most Recent Sampling Days	Enterococci Bacteria Count	Meets EPA Criteria
June 16 (Low Tide)	259	
June 21 (High Tide)	272	
June 28 (High Tide)	187	
July 5 (Low Tide)	324	
July 12 (High Tide)	187	

Monthly Average (June 21 – July 12)	8	
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Monthly Average (June 21 – July 12)	282	
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