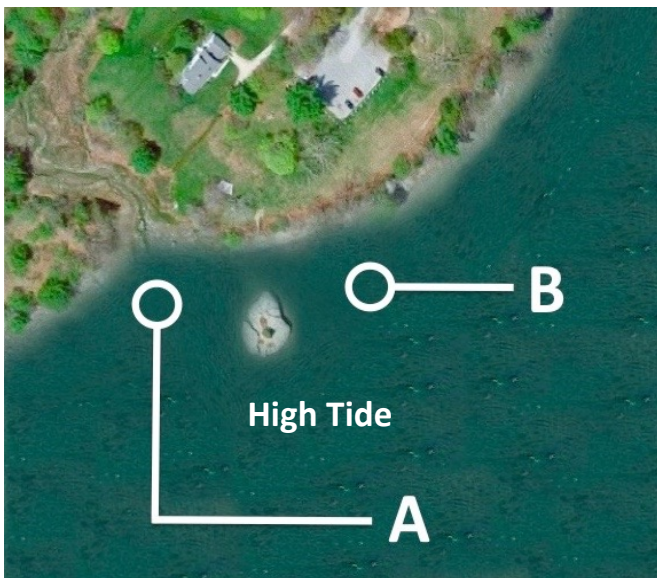


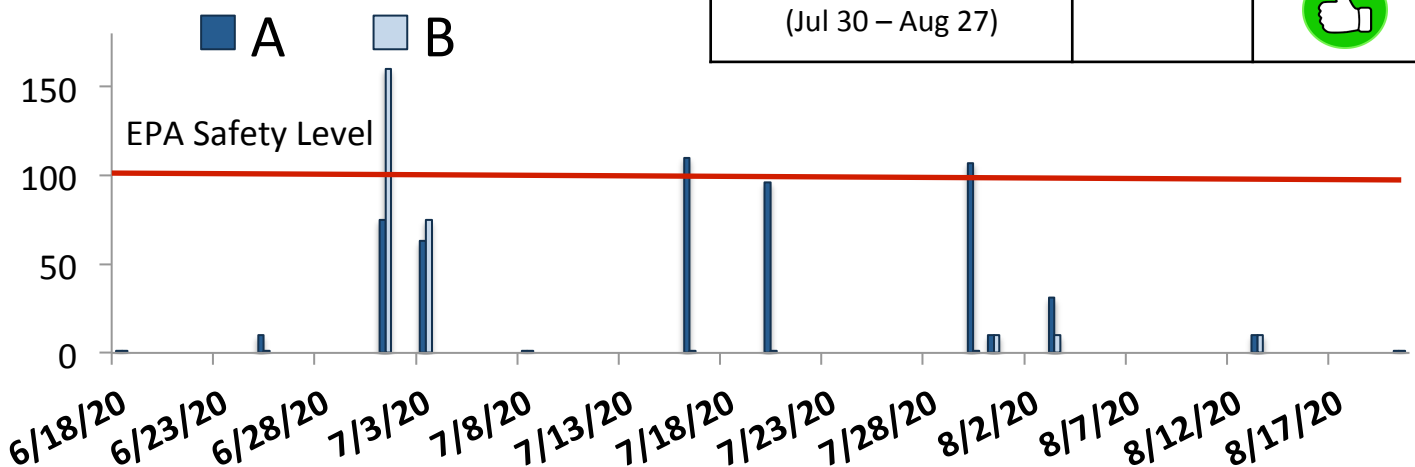
## 2020 Bacteria Levels at Blue Hill Town Park

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 and monthly averages should not exceed 35.** The Blue Hill Town Park is sampled every week at high tide.



| Blue Hill Town Park — 2020 Enterococci Levels |                |                            |                    |
|---|----------------|----------------------------|--------------------|
| Most Recent Sampling Days                     | Sampling Sites | Enterococci Bacteria Count | Meets EPA Criteria |
| Jul 30  | A              | 107                        | 👎                  |
|   | B              | 1                          |                    |
| Jul 31  | A              | 10                         | 👍                  |
|   | B              | 10                         |                    |
| Aug 3   | A              | 31                         | 👍                  |
|   | B              | 10                         |                    |
| Aug 13  | A              | 10                         | 👍                  |
|   | B              | 10                         |                    |
| Aug 20  | A              | 1                          | 👍                  |
|   | B              | 1                          |                    |
| Aug 27  | A              | 1                          | 👍                  |
|   | B              | 1                          |                    |
| Monthly Average (Jul 30 – Aug 27)             |                | 16.1                       | 👍                  |

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