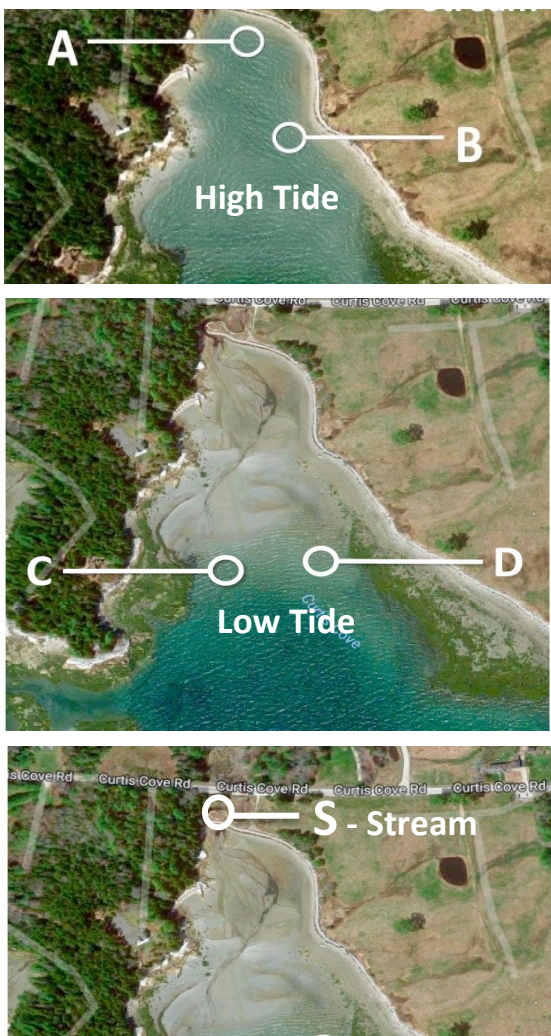
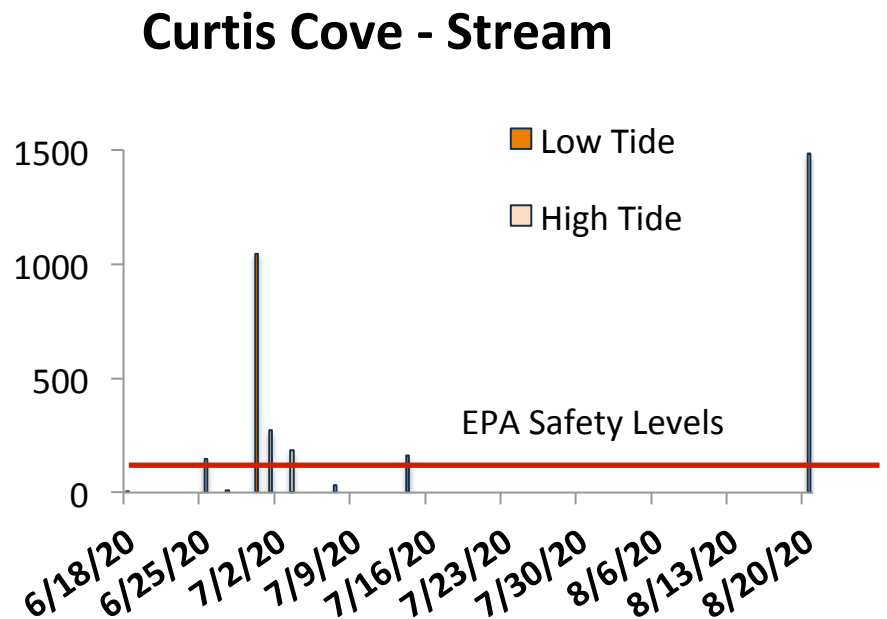
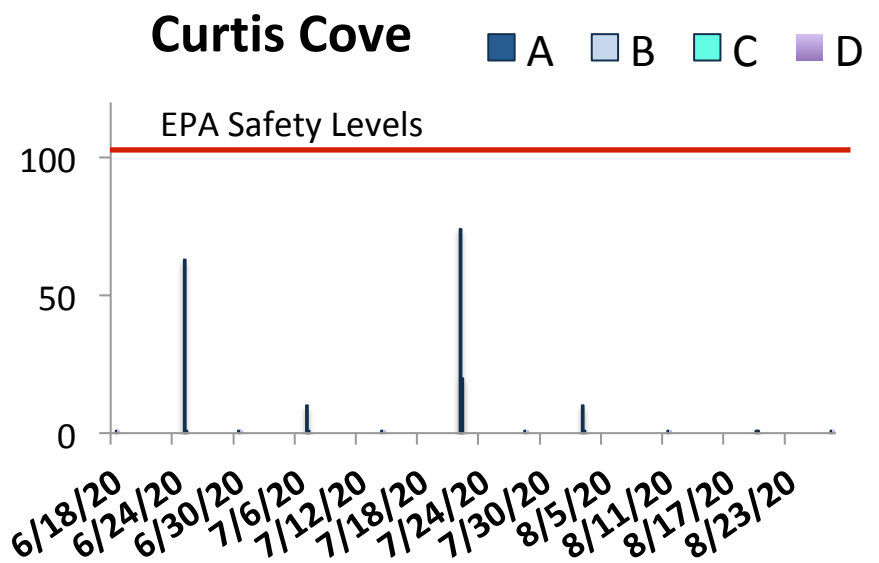


2020 Bacteria Levels at Curtis Cove

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 and monthly averages should not exceed 35.** Curtis Cove is sampled every week rotating between the low and high tides.













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2020 Bacteria Levels at Curtis Cove (cont.)

Curtis Cove — 2020 Enterococci Levels			
Most Recent Sampling Days	Sampling Sites	Enterococci Bacteria Count	Meets EPA Criteria
July 28 (Low Tide)	C	1	
	D	1	
Aug 3 (High Tide)	A	10	
	B	1	
Aug 11 (Low Tide)	C	1	
	D	1	
Aug 20 (High Tide)	A	1	
	B	1	
Aug 27 (Low Tide)	A	1	
	B	1	
Monthly Average (Jul 28 – Aug 27)		1.9	

Curtis Cove Stream — 2020 Enterococci Levels		
Most Recent Sampling Days	Enterococci Bacteria Count	Meets EPA Criteria
June 25 (High Tide)	148	
June 27 (High Tide)	10	
June 30 (Low Tide)	1046	
July 1 (High Tide)	272	
July 3 (High Tide)	187	
July 7 (High Tide)	31	
July 14 (Low Tide)	161	
July 20 (High Tide)	1483	

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