**BCRAGD Public Service Announcement:**
**Medina River E. coli Counts March 22nd, 27th, & 29th**

Surface Water Staff from the Bandera County River Authority and Groundwater District (BCRAGD) collected water samples from sites along the Medina River, Medina Lake, Sabinal River, and their tributaries to assess levels of *E. coli* bacteria on March 22nd, 27th, and 29th.

*E. coli* is a bacteria found in the gut of warm-blooded animals and is known to potentially cause illness in humans if ingested. **No primary contact recreation should take place if the number of *E. coli* exceeds 399 colony forming units (cfu) per 100 mL of water.** This standard is set by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) in the Texas Administrative Code (30 TAC §307.7). Meaning, no one should participate in activities that could result in the total submersion of the head under water if counts exceed the 399 cfu standard.

There is ALWAYS a possibility of infection from *E. coli* or other waterborne illness. **Never drink or ingest river water without proper disinfection, and always swim at your own risk.**

Results listed below were analyzed at the BCRAGD lab:

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<th>Site (Location)</th>
<th>cfu (March 22)</th>
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<th>cfu (March 27)</th>
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<td>Medina Lake - Park @ PR 37</td>
<td>10</td>
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<td>W. Prong @ Coalklin Rd</td>
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<td>English Crossing</td>
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<td>Moffett Park in Medina</td>
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<td>Seco Ck @ RR470</td>
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The above results can also be found on the BCRAGD website, [www.bcragd.org](http://www.bcragd.org), and the BCRAGD Facebook page. BCRAGD is not a certified lab. Results are for informational purposes only.