



**BCRAGD Public Service Announcement:
Medina River *E. coli* Counts July 30th & August 4th, 2020**

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 July 30th and August 4th.

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 most probable number (MPN) 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 MPN 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:

Medina Lake - Park @ PR 37	N/A	Bandera City Park @ SH173	1120 MPN* 260 MPN**	Moffett Park in Medina	152 MPN
English Crossing	63 MPN	Bandera City Park @ 1st St	178 MPN	Sabinal R @ Lost Maples	6 MPN
Bandera River Ranch Park	Dry	Ranger Crossing	137 MPN	Sabinal R @ Utopia	7 MPN
Bridlegate Ranch Park	1 MPN	Tarpley Crossing	40 MPN	Lost Maples @ Can Creek	<1 MPN
Brewington Crossing	26 MPN				

*indicates sample was over the TCEQ threshold

**Indicates resample done on August 4, 2020

The above results can also be found on the BCRAGD website, www.bcragd.org, and the BCRAGD Facebook page. BCRAGD is not a certified lab. Results are for informational purposes only.