

BCRAGD Public Service Announcement: Medina River & Sabinal River *E. coli* Counts <u>June 28 & 29, 2022</u>

Surface Water Staff from the Bandera County River Authority and Groundwater District (BCRAGD) collected water samples from sites along the Medina River, Sabinal River, and their tributaries to assess levels of *E. coli* bacteria on June 28th and 29th 2022.

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	Water level too low to access	Bandera City Park @ 1st St	61 MPN	Can Creek @ Lost Maples	16 MPN
English Crossing	70 MPN	Tarpley Crossing	16 MPN	Privilege Creek @ SH16	Dry
Bridlegate Park	223 MPN	Ranger Crossing	66 MPN	Medina Lake @ Pop's Place	3 MPN
Bandera River Ranch Park	Dry	Moffett Park in Medina	53 MPN	Medina Lake @ Haby's Cove	Water level too low to access
W. Prong @ Coalkiln Rd	117 MPN	N. Prong, Brewington	36 MPN	Utopia City Park	12 MPN
Medina Lake @ Red Cove	Water level too low to access	Sabinal R @ Lost Maples	51 MPN	N. Prong, Wallace Ck	52 MPN
Bandera City Park @ SH173	80 MPN	Medina Rv @ Peaceful Valley Rd	299 MPN		

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.