

2017 Bi-Weekly River Report

West River Watershed & Whetstone Brook

Chart Updated July 20, 2017

Water Quality Monitoring Sites			Escherichia coli (E. coli) per 100 mL water					
Town	Location/Description	Site Code	21-Jun†	5-Jul♣	19-Jul†	2-Aug	16-Aug	30-Aug
West River								
Londonderry	Between L'derry & S. L'derry, below Rte 100 bridge	West_38.5A	142	1120*	179			
S. Londonderry	Rowes Rd	West_36	138	727*	260*			
Brookline	Brookline Bridge	West_13	239*	140	113			
Dummerston	Dummerston covered bridge	West_6.4	141	NT	99			
Brattleboro	Behind Brattleboro Professional center	West_1.42	276*	163	119			
Brattleboro	Milk House Meadows	West_08	167	141	84			
Flood Brook								
Londonderry	End of Brophy Ln	Flood_1.7	57	63	45			
North Branch Brook								
Jamaica	Pikes Falls swimming hole	NBranchBrk_4.5	NT	159	152			
Rock River								
Newfane	Vicinity of Indian Love Call	Rock_38	48	NA	58			
Whetstone Brook								
Brattleboro	Meadowbrook Rd VT Land Trust Farm Parcel	Whetstone_3.7	436*	195	261*			
Brattleboro	Glen St below Dettman Dr	Whetstone_3.3	262*	298*	291*			
Brattleboro	Brattleboro Farmers' Market, Western Ave	Whetstone_2.4	261*	517*	365*			
Brattleboro	Off of Williams St	Whetstone_1.3	308*	980*	435*			
Brattleboro	Behind Youth Theater	Whetstone_3	236*	408*	649*			
Brattleboro	Across from Brattleboro Food Coop	Whetstone_2	276*	>2420*	548*			

* = Exceeds VT & EPA "suitability for swimming" standard of 235 E. coli /100 mL H₂O † = Heavy rains occurred within 24 hours preceding this river sampling
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Williams River, Saxtons River, E. Putney Brook, & Sacketts Brook

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Williams River								
Chester	Church St	Williams_14.2	108	980*	NT			
Chester	Rainbow Rock swimming hole	Williams_10.7	117	1553*	192			
Chester	Below Chester WWTF	Williams_10.3	81	980*	152			
Chester	Off Missing Link Rd., just below Halls Brook	Williams_8.6	84	1046*	228*			
Rockingham	Bartonsville bridge	Williams_7.0	112	980*	291*			
Middle Branch Williams River								
Chester	Blue Hill Rd	MBrWilliams_2.1	53	304*	50			
Chester	School St walking bridge	MBrWilliams_1.2	106	151	56			
Chester	Just above confluence with Williams R.	MBrWilliams_.02	66	198	91			
Saxtons River								
Saxtons River	Stickney's Field swimming hole	Saxton_5.6	113	866*	93			
Saxtons River	Above WWTF & below FD ramp	Saxtons_5.15	133	549*	NT			
Saxtons River	Main Street Bridge	Saxtons_4.7	NT	770*	119			
Rockingham	Above Barbers Park Rd bridge	Saxtons_3.6	249*	2420*	126			
Westminster	Below Twin Falls	Saxtons_1.0	112	687*	120			
Westminster	Sandy Beach, above Rte 5 bridge	Saxtons_.19	105	579*	91			
East Putney Brook								
Putney	River Rd S Culvert swimming hole	EPutney_0.4	261	172	77			
Sacketts Brook								
Putney	Portal Bridge swimming hole	Sacketts_2.5	126	1299*	105			
Putney	Above Main St dam	Sacketts_1.5	229	1553*	260*			
Putney	Below Paper Mill	Sacketts_1.2	489*	>2420*	816*			
Putney	End of Mill St	Sacketts_1.0	411*	2420*	1300*			

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