

Surface Water Staff from the Bandera County River Authority and Groundwater District collected water samples from sites along the Medina River, Medina Lake, Sabinal River, and their tributaries to assess levels of E. coli bacteria on **August 6, 2025.**

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). This means that no one should participate in activities that could result in the total submersion of the head underwater if counts exceed the 399 MPN standard.

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

MEDINA RIVER & SABINAL RIVER E. COLI COUNTS AUGUST 6, 2025



Interactive Map of locations sampled, current E.coli count, temperature, water level, and current photo located at https://www.bcragd.org/water-quality-testing/



Medina Lake - Park @ PR 37	Unable to access	Bandera City Park @ 1st St	108 MPN	Can Creek @ Lost Maples	6 MPN
English Crossing	37 MPN	Tarpley Crossing	70 MPN	Medina Lake @ Pop's Place	238 MPN
Bridlegate Park	15 MPN	Ranger Crossing	111 MPN	N. Prong, Wallace Ck	55 MPN
Bandera River Ranch Park	3 MPN	Moffett Park in Medina	194 MPN	Medina Lake @ Haby's Cove	Unable to access
W. Prong @ Coalkiln Rd	125 MPN	N. Prong @ Brewington	44 MPN	Utopia City Park	21 MPN
Medina Lake @ Red Cove	Unable to access	Sabinal R @ Lost Maples	23 MPN	N. Prong @Rocky Creek	111 MPN
Bandera City Park @ SH173	1203 MPN*	Medina Rv @ Peaceful Valley Rd	101 MPN		

*Indicates the sample was over the TCEQ threshold of 399 MPN.

