

URI WATERSHED WATCH

**2026 WATER QUALITY MONITORING SCHEDULE**

**Greenwich Bay, Wickford Harbor & Napatree Pt. Monitoring**

Week Ending	Secchi, salinity, temperature, chlorophyll, D.O.	WATER COLLECTION DATES
April 25 and May 2	Returning volunteer equipment pick-up begins – please call 874-2905 in advance to ensure that your supplies are ready for you!!	
May 2	X	
May 9	X to URI	<b>FIRST WATER COLLECTION: May 7 - 9</b> Collect samples 8:30 am – 10:30 am
May 16	X	
May 23	X	MEMORIAL DAY IS MAY 25 <sup>th</sup>
May 30	X	
June 6	X to URI	<b>SECOND COLLECTION June 7 – 6</b> Scheduled river collection 7:30 am – 9:30 am
June 13	X	
June 20	X	
June 27	X	
July 4	X	
July 11	X to URI	<b>THIRD COLLECTION: July 8 – 11</b> Collect samples 8:00 am – 10:00 am
July 18	X	
July 25	X	
August 1	X	
August 8	X to URI	<b>FOURTH COLLECTION: Aug. 6 – 8</b> Collect samples 8:00 am – 10:00 am
August 15	X	
August 22	X	
August 29	X	
September 5	X	LABOR DAY IS SEPTEMBER 7 <sup>th</sup> t
September 12	X to URI	<b>FIFTH COLLECTION: September 10 – 12</b> Collect samples 8:00 am – 10:00 am
September 19	X	
September 26	X	
October 3	X	
October 10	X	INDIGENOUS PEOPLES DAY IS OCTOBER 12 <sup>th</sup>
October 18	X	
October 24	X Return all supplies	<b>FINAL COLLECTION: Oct. 21 –</b> Bring in all chlorophyll filters, equipment, etc.

Weather permitting, monitor on the same day each week, between 6 AM and 2 PM. Please enter your data online or mail your postcards after *each* monitoring session. Chlorophyll can be monitored weekly if you choose. For Water Collections, samples may be collected (6 – 9 AM) and delivered on any of the four days, Wednesday - Saturday (10 AM - 3 PM). ***It is better to collect the water samples earlier during that time period than later.*** After collection immediately bring the water samples and all accumulated chlorophyll filters in a cooler with ice packs to the Coastal Institute in Kingston, URI. The laboratory phone number is 401-874-2905, e-mail [eherron@uri.edu](mailto:eherron@uri.edu). Please notify us at least 1 day in advance if you must reschedule delivery of water samples to a different date. An earlier date is preferable to one after the designated collection period. Let us know if you want to drop off your samples on the cart outside instead of coming into the lab.

***Have a great season and remember to monitor safely!***