

OVERALL HEALTH OF THE BAY



A Excellent
B Good
C Adequate for Now
D Action Required
F Critical
I Insufficient Data

No Change
Improved
Degraded
* = Estimated

B HUMAN HEALTH RISKS



What Can You Do?
 Protect Family, Friends And Yourself
 Pick up pet waste and dispose of it in the trash

D HABITAT



What Can You Do?
 Support Local Restoration Efforts
 Volunteer or donate to help with Galveston Bay Foundation's wetland or oyster reef projects

A WATER QUALITY



What Can You Do?
 Keep Excess Nutrients Out Of The Bay
 Install a rain barrel to reduce lawn and street run-off

C COASTAL CHANGE



What Can You Do?
 Conserve Water At Home
 Turn off the tap when brushing your teeth or washing your hands

C WILDLIFE



What Can You Do?
 Protect Animals From Disturbance And Entanglement
 Avoid bird nesting areas and always remove fishing lines and crab traps

B POLLUTION EVENTS & SOURCES



What Can You Do?
 Avoid Single-Use Items
 Refuse, reduce, reuse, recycle... and when you see litter, pick it up!

INDICATORS	GALVESTON BAY	RIVERS & BAYOUS	HOUSTON SHIP CHANNEL	TOTAL NO. OF SPILLS	TOTAL VOLUME OF SPILLS
Seafood Consumption Safety	C	D			
Recreation Safety	A	A			
Saltwater Wetlands	C				
Freshwater Wetlands		D			
Underwater Grasses	C				
Oyster Reefs	I				
Nitrogen	A	A			
Phosphorus	A	C			
Dissolved Oxygen	A	A			
Freshwater Inflows	C				
Sea Level Rise	F				
Winter Water Temperature	A				
Water pH	A				
Shellfish	C				
Finfish	C				
Birds	C				
Invasive Species	B	D			
Toxic Metals in Sediment	A		B		
Organic Toxins in Sediment	I		B		
Dioxin in Sediment	I		D		
Oil Spills				B	A
Litter & Trash	I		I		

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