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### **Beach Advisory Lifted for Polk St. Beach on Tybee Island**

**CHATHAM COUNTY, GA** – The Chatham County Health Department has lifted the advisory for Polk Street Beach (the northern most part of Tybee Island at the mouth of the Savannah River from the end of the beach to the jetty) on Tybee Island.

The advisory was issued on November 21 after routine water quality tests showed a high level of enterococci bacteria which increase the risk of gastrointestinal illness in swimmers.

Subsequent water samples taken showed that the bacteria levels had dropped below Environmental Protection Agency's recommended limits. Therefore, the advisory has been lifted.

For more information about beach water advisories, go to [www.gachd.org](http://www.gachd.org) and click on the Environmental Health tab at the top of the page.

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