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## **Health Department Lifts Two Swimming Advisories**

**GLYNN COUNTY, GA** – The Glynn County Health Department has lifted the advisories for South Beach at the lighthouse (from 9<sup>th</sup> Street to the pier) on St. Simons Island and Clam Creek Beach (from Clam Creek to the Old North picnic area) on Jekyll Island.

The advisories were issued on Wednesday, May 20, 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.

St. Andrews Beach (from Macy Lane to the St. Andrews picnic area) on Jekyll Island remains under advisory.

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