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Health Department Issues Advisory for Clam Creek Beach; Advisory for St. Andrews Lifted

GLYNN COUNTY, GA— Clam Creek Beach (from Clam Creek to the Old North picnic area) has been placed under advisory by the Glynn County Health Department. The advisory for St. Andrews Beach (from Macy Lane to St. Andrews picnic area) has been lifted.

Routine water quality tests from samples taken January 4 show the beach water at Clam Creek Beach contains a high level of enterococci bacteria, which increase the risk of gastrointestinal illness in swimmers. Subsequent testing of the beach water at St. Andrews Beach shows that bacteria levels have dropped below Environmental Protection Agency's recommended limits. Therefore, the advisory for that beach has been lifted.

The Glynn County Health Department recommends you do not swim or wade in the water in the area under advisory. Fish and other seafood caught from this area should be thoroughly washed with fresh water and thoroughly cooked before eating.

The area will be retested and the advisory will be lifted when tests show the bacteria levels meet the Environmental Protection Agency's recommended standard.