NEWS RELEASE

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Beach Advisories Lifted for St. Simons/Jekyll Beaches

GLYNN COUNTY, GA – The Glynn County Health Department has lifted the advisories for South Beach at the Lighthouse (9th Street to the pier), East Beach at the old Coast Guard station (Tenth St. East to Driftwood Drive), and Massengale Park Beach (Driftwood Drive to Cedar Street) on St. Simons Island, d. Driftwood Beach (from beach kilometer marker 1 to Tallu Fish Lane) on Jekyll Island.

The advisories were issued on December 4 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 and click on the Environmental Health tab at the top of the page.

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