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Beach Advisory Lifted for St. Simons Island

GLYNN COUNTY, GA – The Glynn County Health Department has lifted the beach water advisory for South Beach at the lighthouse, which is from 9th Street to the pier on St. Simons Island.

The advisory was issued on December 1, 2020 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.

The testing is part of an ongoing water monitoring program through the Department of Natural Resources Coastal Resources Division. Water samples are screened every week for bacteria found in humans and some wildlife. This testing program is **not** related to the capsized cargo carrier in St. Simons Sound.

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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