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Beach Advisories Lifted on Tybee Island

CHATHAM COUNTY, GA – The Chatham County Health Department has lifted the beach water advisories on Tybee Island. Advisories have been lifted for Polk Street Beach, which is from the north end of the island to the jetty, and Tybee Strand Beach at the Pier, which is from Eleventh St. to Eighteenth St.

The advisories were issued on July 20, 2021, after routine water quality tests showed a high level of enterococci bacteria which increase the risk of gastrointestinal illness in swimmers.

Subsequent water samples showed the bacteria levels had dropped below Environmental Protection Agency's recommended limits. Therefore, the advisories have 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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