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912-279-3350**Health Department Lifts Swimming Advisory**

GLYNN COUNTY, GA— The Glynn County Health Department has lifted the swimming advisory for St. Andrews Beach on Jekyll Island. The St. Andrews Beach area is from Macy Lane to the St. Andrews picnic area. The advisory was issued May 10th after routine water quality tests showed a high level of enterococci bacteria, which increase the risk of gastrointestinal illness in swimmers.

However, water samples taken Tuesday, May 15th, showed that the bacteria levels had dropped below Environmental Protection Agency's recommended limits. Therefore, the advisory has been lifted, and there are no Jekyll Island or Glynn County beaches currently under advisory.

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