

**NEWS RELEASE**

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**912.644.5217****Health Department Lifts Swimming Advisory**

**MCINTOSH CO., GA**— The McIntosh County Health Department has lifted the swimming advisory for the Dallas Bluff Sandbar area is along the Julenton River from ½ mile upriver of Dallas Bluff Marina to ½ mile downriver. The advisory was originally issued last week 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 Thursday, November 1st, showed that the bacteria levels had dropped below Environmental Protection Agency's recommended limits. Therefore, the advisory has been lifted.

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