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Health Department Lifts Swimming Advisory

GLYNN COUNTY, GA— The Glynn County Health Department has lifted the swimming advisory for Clam Creek Beach on Jekyll Island. The Clam Creek Beach area is from Clam Creek to the Old North Picnic Area. The advisory was issued February 6th 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, February 10th, 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 beaches currently under advisory.

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