

NEWS RELEASE

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GLYNN COUNTY, GA— Blythe Island Sandbar (South Brunswick River from the Hwy 303 bridge to Blythe Island Regional Park) has been placed under advisory by the Glynn County Health Department.

Routine water quality tests from samples taken show the beach water in this area contains a high level of enterococci bacteria, which increase the risk of gastrointestinal illness in swimmers.

The Glynn County Health Department recommends you do not swim or wade in the water in this area. Fish and other seafood caught from this area should be thoroughly washed with fresh water and thoroughly cooked before eating.

In addition, Reimolds Pasture (the eastern shore of Buttermilk Sound) remains under advisory.

The areas will be retested and the advisories will be lifted when tests show the bacteria levels meet the Environmental Protection Agency's recommended standard.

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