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Contact: Sally Silbermann
912.644.5217**Jekyll St. Andrews Beach and Clam Creek Advisories Remain:
North Beach Advisory Lifted**

GLYNN COUNTY, GA— Jekyll St. Andrews Beach (from Macy Lane to St. Andrews picnic area) and Clam Creek Beach on Jekyll Island (from Clam Creek to the old north picnic area) remain under advisory by the Glynn County Health Department. The advisory for Jekyll North Beach at Dexter Lane (old north picnic area to Brice Lane) has been lifted.

Routine water quality tests from samples taken March 29 at all three locations showed a high level of enterococci bacteria which increase the risk of gastrointestinal illness in swimmers. Subsequent tests show that bacterial levels at St. Andrews and Clam Creek beach remain elevated but bacteria levels at North Beach are now within acceptable limits.

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

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

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