

NEWS RELEASE
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**Advisories Issued for St Simons Massengale Park Beach and North Beach at Goulds Inlet;
Jekyll St. Andrews Still Under Advisory**

GLYNN COUNTY, GA – The Glynn County Health Department has placed two St. Simons beach areas under advisory. The beach areas are Massengale Park Beach and North Beach at Goulds Inlet. The Massengale Park Beach area is from Driftwood Drive to Cedar St. The North Beach area is from 15th to 10th Street. St. Andrews Beach (from Macy Lane to St. Andrews picnic area) on Jekyll Island is still under advisory by the Glynn County Health Department.

Routine water quality tests from samples taken February 7 at all three locations showed 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 the area still under advisory. Fish and other seafood caught from this area should be thoroughly washed with fresh water and thoroughly cooked before eating.

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

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