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Jekyll St. Andrews Still Under Advisory; 5th Street Crossover Beach Advisory Lifted

GLYNN COUNTY, GA – The Glynn County Health Department has lifted the swimming advisory for the 5th Street Crossover Beach (from Cedar Street to the 9th Street) on St. Simons Island. The advisory for Jekyll St. Andrews Beach (from Macy Lane to St. Andrews picnic area) remains.

Routine water quality tests from samples taken March 1 show the beach water at St. Andrews on Jekyll contains a high level of enterococci bacteria, which increase the risk of gastrointestinal illness in swimmers. Bacterial levels for 5th Street Crossover Beach on St. Simons Island have dropped below Environmental Protection Agency’s recommended limits. Therefore, the advisory for that beach has been lifted.

The Glynn County Health Department recommends you do not swim or wade in the water in the area 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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