

**NEWS RELEASE**

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**Health Department Issues Advisory for Tybee Strand Beach**

**CHATHAM COUNTY, GA** – The Chatham County Health Department has issued an advisory for Strand Beach at the pier on Tybee Island under advisory. The advisory area covers the area from 11<sup>th</sup> Street to 18<sup>th</sup> Street. The advisory is only for the area(s) specified above and does not impact any other beaches on the island. This beach water advisory is to alert the public of a possible risk of illness associated with water contact but does not mean the beach is closed.

The Chatham 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 as should fish or seafood caught from any waters.

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

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