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Beach Advisory Lifted for Polk Street Beach on Tybee Island

CHATHAM COUNTY, GA – The Chatham County Health Department has lifted the advisory for the Polk Street Beach, which stretches from the end of the beach on the north side of Tybee Island to the jetty.

The advisory was issued on December 15, 2020 after routine water quality tests showed a high level of enterococci bacteria which increase the risk of gastrointestinal illness in swimmers.

Subsequent water samples showed the bacteria levels had dropped below Environmental Protection Agency's recommended limits. Therefore, the advisory has been lifted.

For more information about beach water advisories, go to www.gachd.org and click on the Environmental Health tab at the top of the page.

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