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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 Polk Street Beach, which extends from the north end of the island to the north jetty on Tybee Island.

The advisory was issued on August 3, 2021, 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](http://www.gachd.org) and click on the Environmental Health tab at the top of the page.

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