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Health Department Issues Swimming Advisory

Three Beach Areas Now Under Advisory

GLYNN COUNTY, GA— The Glynn County Health Department has placed the North Beach at Goulds Inlet area on St. Simons Island under advisory. Water samples taken November 6th show the beach water in this area contains a high level of enterococci bacteria, which increase the risk of gastrointestinal illness in swimmers.

The North Beach at Goulds Inlet area is from 15th to 10th streets. Advisories also remain in effect for two Jekyll Island beaches. They are Clam Creek Beach (from Clam Creek to the Old North picnic area) and St. Andrews Beach (from Macy Lane to the St. Andrews picnic area on Jekyll Island.)

The Glynn County Health Department recommends you do not swim or wade in the water in these areas. Fish and other seafood caught from these areas should be thoroughly washed with fresh water and thoroughly cooked before eating.

All three beach areas will be retested later this week. The advisories will be lifted when tests show the bacteria levels meet the Environmental Protection Agency's recommended standard.

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