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Health Department Issues Swimming Advisories

GLYNN COUNTY, GA— The Clam Creek Beach from Clam Creek to the Old North Picnic Area on Jekyll Island and North Beach at Goulds Inlet from 15th Street to 10th Street on St. Simons Island have both been placed under advisory by the Glynn County Health Department.

Routine water quality tests from samples taken November 13 show the beach water in these areas contains a high level of enterococci bacteria, which increase the risk of gastrointestinal illness in swimmers.

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.

The areas will be retested on Tuesday, November 18, and the advisory will be lifted when tests show the bacteria levels meet the Environmental Protection Agency's recommended standard.

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