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Health Department Lifts East Beach Swimming Advisory on St. Simons

GLYNN COUNTY, GA— The Glynn County Health Department has lifted the advisory for East Beach (from 10th Street to Driftwood Drive) on St. Simons Island

The advisory was issued on March 5, 2010, after routine water quality tests showed a high level of enterococci bacteria which increase the risk of gastrointestinal illness in swimmers.

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

An advisory is still in effect for Clam Creek Beach (from Clam Creek to the old picnic area) on Jekyll Island. The Glynn 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.