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Contact: Sally Silbermann
912.644.5217**Health Department Places Jekyll St. Andrews Beach and North Beach Under Advisory;
Clam Creek Advisory Remains**

GLYNN COUNTY, GA— Jekyll St. Andrews Beach (from Macy Lane to St. Andrews picnic area) and Jekyll North Beach at Dexter Lane (old north picnic area to Brice Lane) have been placed under advisory by the Glynn County Health Department. The advisory for Clam Creek Beach on Jekyll Island (from Clam Creek to the old north picnic area) remains in place.

Routine water quality tests from samples taken March 29 at all three locations showed 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 the areas under advisory. 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 and the advisories will be lifted when tests show the bacteria levels meet the Environmental Protection Agency's recommended standards.

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