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(JACKSON, Miss.) – The Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ), through its Beach Monitoring Program, lifted water contact advisories Thursday for sampling stations 11A (Edgewater Beach) and 15 (Shearwater Beach). An advisory remains in effect for station 12A (Biloxi West Central Beach).

Advisories are lifted for:

- ► Station 11A -- Edgewater Beach -- near Eisenhower Dr. (Biloxi) -- from Debuys Rd. east to Edgewater Ave.
- ► Station 15 -- Shearwater Beach -- near Holcomb Blvd. (Ocean Springs) -- from Weeks Bayou east to Ashley Place.

Advisory in effect for:

► Station 12A -- Biloxi West Central Beach -- from Travia St. east to Iberville Dr.

This segment of beach is not closed; however, there may be an increased risk of illness associated with swimming in this area. When water samples show that levels are safe for human contact, the advisory will be lifted. Swimmers are reminded that the Beach Task Force has a standing recommendation that swimming not occur during or within 24 hours of a significant rainfall event.

More information about the Mississippi Beach Monitoring Program and the status of beach advisories is available at: http://opcgis.deg.state.ms.us/beaches.

To receive beach advisories directly, send an email to rwilbur@mdeq.ms.gov for inclusion in a public group email list, text "MDEQbeach" to 95577, or follow MDEQ on Twitter: @MDEQ.

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