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## **MDEQ Lifts Water Contact Advisory in Gulfport**

(JACKSON, Miss.) -- The Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ), through its Beach Monitoring Program, lifted a water contact advisory Tuesday that was issued February 12 for the following beach monitoring station in Gulfport:

● **Station 11 – Gulfport East -- from Teagarden Road east to Anniston Avenue.**

Water samples at this station show the area has attained acceptable bacteria levels. The Gulf Coast Research Laboratory, which performs water sampling of the Mississippi Gulf Coast beaches for MDEQ, notifies the agency when an area returns to acceptable levels and safe conditions.

More information on the Mississippi Beach Monitoring Program is available at:

<http://www.usm.edu/gcrl/msbeach/index.cgi>.

To receive beach advisories directly, send an email to [rwilbur@deq.state.ms.us](mailto:rwilbur@deq.state.ms.us) for inclusion in a public group email list, text "MDEQbeach" to 95577, or follow MDEQ on Twitter: @MDEQ.

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*MDEQ has set up a texting group for media on the Gulf Coast. If you would like to be on the list and receive info via text, then text "MDEQcoastmedia" to 95577, or follow MDEQ on Twitter: @MDEQ*