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## **MDEQ Lifts Water Contact Advisory for Station in Gulfport** *One Station Still Under Advisory*

(JACKSON, Miss.) -- The Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ), through its Beach Monitoring Program, lifted a water contact advisory the following beach monitoring station:

● **Station 10 – Gulfport Central Beach – from Alfonso Drive east to Arkansas 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.

An advisory is still in effect for this station:

● **Station 5 – Pass Christian West Beach – from Fort Henry east to Elliott Avenue.**

When water samples show that levels are safe for human contact, the advisory will be lifted.

More information on the Mississippi Beach Monitoring Program is available at:  
<http://www.usm.edu/gcrl/msbeach/index.cgi>.

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