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MDEQ Lifts Water Contact Advisory for Station 7 in Pass Christian

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

- Station 7 -- Pass Christian East -- from Espy Avenue to Hayden 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.

Advisories are in effect for the following stations:

- Station 4 -- Bay St. Louis Beach -- from the box culvert east to Ballantine Street.
- Station 9 -- Gulfport Harbor -- from 20th Avenue east to Thornton Avenue.
- Station 10 -- Gulfport Central -- from Alfonso Drive east to Arkansas Avenue.
- Station 10B -- East Courthouse Rd. -- from Courthouse Road east to Tegarden Road.
- Station 12A -- Biloxi West Central -- from Travia Avenue east to Iberville Drive.

Also, a closure was issued April 2 for:

- Station 5 -- Pass Christian West -- from Fort Henry east to Elliot Avenue.

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

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