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MDEQ Lifts Water Contact Advisories for Three Stations
Three Others Lifted Earlier Thursday

(JACKSON, Miss.) -- The Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ), through its Beach Monitoring Program, lifted three water contact advisories Thursday for the following beach monitoring stations:

● Station 4 -- Bay St. Louis Beach -- from the box culvert eastward to Ballantine Street.
● Station 10B -- East Courthouse Road Beach -- from Courthouse Road east to Tegarden Road.
● Station 11A – Edgewater Beach -- from Debuys Road east to Edgewater Avenue.

Advisories were lifted earlier today for these three stations:

● Station 1 – Lakeshore Beach -- from the Sliver Slipper Casino eastward to the jetty west of Poinset Avenue.
● Station 3 -- Waveland Beach -- from Oak Boulevard east to Favre Street.
● Station 7A -- Long Beach -- from Oak Gardens Avenue east to S. Girard Avenue.

Stations 5 (Pass Christian West Beach) and 10 (Gulfport Central Beach) remain under an advisory.

Water samples at these stations show the areas have 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 for inclusion in a public group email list, text "MDEQbeach" to 95577, or follow MDEQ on Twitter: @MDEQ.

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