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(JACKSON, Miss.) – The Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ), through its Beach Monitoring Program, issued two water contact advisories Friday for Stations 12A and 19. Three other advisories issued May 12 are still in effect.

These segments of beach are not closed; however, there may be an increased risk of illness associated with swimming in these areas.

MDEQ is working closely with local officials to advise residents that the water in the following locations may have high bacteria levels:

► ***Station 12A – Biloxi West Central Beach -- from Travia Street east to Iberville Drive.***

► ***Station 19 -- Pascagoula Beach West -- from Oliver Street to Westwood Street.***

These stations remain under advisory:

► ***Station 2 – Buccaneer State Park Beach -- the extent is from 100 yards west of the sign eastward***

to 100 yards east of the sign.

▶ ***Station 3 -- Waveland Beach -- from Oak Boulevard to Favre Street.***

▶ ***Station 7A -- Long Beach -- from Oak Gardens Avenue to Girard Avenue.***

When water samples show that levels are safe for human contact, the advisories 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.deq.state.ms.us/beaches>.

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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