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(JACKSON, Miss.) -- The Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ), through its Beach Monitoring Program, lifted water contact advisories for two beach monitoring stations and also added two beach monitoring stations on water contact advisory on Thursday. There are currently six stations under an advisory.

Advisories have been lifted for the following stations:

- ► Station 11 Gulfport East from Tegarden eastward to Anniston Ave.
- ► Station 19 Pascagoula Beach West from Oliver eastward to Westwood.

Advisories have been added for the following stations:

- ► Station 7 -- Pass Christian East from Espy Ave. eastward to Hayden Ave.
- ► Station 8 Gulfport West from Marie Ave. eastward to Camp Ave.

The following stations are still under advisory:

- ► Station 1-- Lakeshore Beach-- from Silver Slipper Casino eastward to Poinset.
- ► Station 6 Pass Christian Central Beach from Henderson Ave to Heirn Ave.
- ► Station 13A Biloxi East from Dukate eastward to Kuhn St.
- ► Station 15 Shearwater Beach from Weeks Bayou eastward to Ashley.

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.

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