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## **MDEQ Lifts One Water Contact Advisory in Biloxi**

## Three Other Advisories in Effect

(JACKSON, Miss.) – The Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ), through its Beach Monitoring Program, lifted the water contact advisory Friday for sampling station 11A in Biloxi (Edgewater Beach). Advisories are still in effect for stations 7, 8, and 10.

The advisory is lifted for:

► Station 11A -- Edgewater Beach -- near Eisenhower Drive, Biloxi -- from Debuys Rd. east to Edgewater Ave.

Advisories are still in effect for:

- ► Station 7 -- Pass Christian East Beach -- from Espy Ave. east to Hayden Ave.
- ► Station 8 -- Gulfport West Beach -- from Marie Ave. east to Camp Ave.
- ► Station 10 Gulfport Central Beach -- from Alfonso Dr. east to Arkansas Ave.

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

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: <a href="http://opcgis.deq.state.ms.us/beaches">http://opcgis.deq.state.ms.us/beaches</a>. A list of Frequently Asked Questions about the program can be found at: <a href="http://opcgis.deq.state.ms.us/beaches/moreinfo.html">http://opcgis.deq.state.ms.us/beaches/moreinfo.html</a>.

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