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(JACKSON, Miss.) – The Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ), through its Beach Monitoring Program, issued a water contact advisory Tuesday for sampling station 11 in Gulfport (Gulfport East Beach). Station 10 is currently under an advisory also.

An advisory is issued for:

► **Station 11 -- Gulfport East Beach -- from Tegarden Rd. east to Anniston Ave.**

An advisory is still in effect for:

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

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