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(JACKSON, Miss.) –The Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) issued a temporary water contact advisory for Trahon Creek in the Jackson area February 7. It was listed in the original advisory as Big Creek, but the advisory actually applies to Trahon Creek from McClure Road downstream to Terry Road.

MDEQ recommends that people avoid water contact recreation such as swimming or wading in these waters. In addition, people should avoid eating fish from the stream until further notice. MDEQ staff has begun monitoring bacteria levels in the stream and will revise the advisory as needed.

Three advisories previously issued for the Jackson area are still in effect: one issued December 20, 2011, for Caney Creek from Highway 18 downstream to McClure Road, one issued January 23 for Town Creek from Fortification Street to the confluence with the Pearl River, and one issued February 7 for Lynch Creek from Lynch Street downstream to the confluence with Pearl River.