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## MDEQ LIFTS BEACH CLOSURE IN LONG BEACH

(JACKSON, Miss.) -- The Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ), through its Beach Monitoring Program, has lifted a beach closure issued August 31 for the following monitoring station in Harrison County:

**Station 7A -- Long Beach - from Oak Gardens on the west to Girard on the east.**

Water samples show the area has attained acceptable bacteria levels. The Gulf Coast Research Laboratory, which performs water sampling of the Mississippi Gulf Coast beaches for MDEQ, notifies the agency when an area returns to acceptable levels and safe conditions.

For more information on what stations are open and closed, access the Mississippi Beach Monitoring Program at: <http://www.usm.edu/gcrl/msbeach/index.cgi>.

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