

MDEQ LIFTS TWO BEACH ADVISORIES

(JACKSON, Miss.) -- The Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ), through its

Beach Monitoring Program, has lifted advisories previously issued April 16 for the following two stations:

- Station 7A - near Trautman Avenue, Long Beach;
- Station 8 - near Fournier Avenue, Gulfport.

The following locations remain under advisories:

- Station 1 - near Lakeshore Drive, Bay St. Louis;
- Station 9 - near Pratt Avenue, Gulfport;
- Station 10 - U.S. Naval Home/Veterans Hospital near Oak Avenue, Gulfport;
- Station 10A - near Courthouse Road west parking lot, Gulfport.

Water samples show the areas have 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.

Information on the Mississippi Beach Monitoring Program is available at:

<http://www.usm.edu/gcrl/msbeach/index.cgi>.

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