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## **MDEQ Lifts Two Water Contact Advisories**

(JACKSON, Miss.) -- The Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ), through its Beach Monitoring Program, lifted two water contact advisories issued August 9 for the following beach monitoring stations in Harrison County:

- Station 7A -- Long Beach Beach -- from Oak Gardens Avenue east to S. Girard Avenue.
- Station 10 -- Gulfport Central Beach -- from Alfonso Drive east to Arkansas Avenue.

Water samples at these stations 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.

A list of stations still under advisory and more information on the Mississippi Beach Monitoring Program are available at: <http://www.usm.edu/gcrl/msbeach/index.cgi>.

To receive beach advisories directly, send an email to [rwilbur@deq.state.ms.us](mailto:rwilbur@deq.state.ms.us) for inclusion in a public group email list, text "beach" to 601-863-8082, or follow MDEQ on Twitter at <http://twitter.com/#!/MDEQ>.

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