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BEACH ADVISORY

The Department of Planning and Natural Resources (DPNR) announces that the Beach Water Quality Monitoring Program, which evaluates weekly water quality at popular swimming beaches throughout the Territory by sampling for Enterococci Bacteria and Turbidity, which is a measure of water clarity, advises the public of the following:

DPNR performed water quality analysis at 35 designated beaches throughout the Territory during the week of July 18-22, 2016. All beaches **meet water quality standards and are safe for swimming or fishing**:

St. Croix

Protestant Cay
Buccaneer
Cramer Park
Pelican Cove (Comorant)
Shoy's
Rainbow
Chenay Bay

New Fort (Ft. Louise
Augusta)
Halfpenny
Dorsch
Grapetree Bay
Cane Bay
Frederiksted Public Beach

Spratt hall
Columbus landing
Princess (Condo Row)
Stoney Ground

St. Thomas

Lindquist
Coki point
Bluebeards
Secret Harbor
Bolongo Bay
Frenchman's Bay

Sapphire
Hull Bay
Magen's Bay
Lindbergh Bay
Brewer's Bay
Vessup Bay
Water Bay

St. John

Johnson Bay
Great Cruz Bay
Cruz Bay
Oppenhiemer
Frank Bay

DPNR will continue to monitor these popular swimming areas. DPNR also recommends that you use your own discretion when swimming or fishing at the designated beaches. If the waters appear muddy or murky or have foul odors, do not swim or fish. For additional information regarding water quality call the Division of Environmental Protection at 773-1082 in St. Croix.