



GOVERNMENT OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS OF THE UNITED STATES

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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, advises the public of the following:

DPNR performed water quality analysis at the 31 designated beaches throughout the Territory during the week of July 27-31, 2015. The following beaches **meet water quality standards and are safe for swimming or fishing**:

St. Croix

Stoney Ground
Protestant Cay
Chenay Bay
Buccaneer
Cane Bay

Cramer Park
Rainbow
Shoy's
New Fort (Ft. Louise
Augusta)

Halfpenny
Dorsch
Frederiksted Public Beach
Princess (Condo Row)

St. Thomas

Hull Bay
Brewer's Bay
Lindquist
Bolongo Bay
Sapphire
Bluebeards
Vessup Bay
Lindbergh Bay
Secret Harbor
Frenchman's Bay
Water Bay
Magen's Bay

St. John

Oppenhiemer
Cruz Bay
Great Cruz Bay
Frank Bay

PLEASE NOTE: Grapetree Bay, Columbus Landing and Pelican Cove (Comorant) Beaches on St. Croix and Johnson's Bay on St. John could not be sampled this week due to the heavy presence of seaweed along the shoreline.

Further, the following beach **DOES NOT MEET THE WATER QUALITY STANDARDS FOR SWIMMING OR FISHING:**

St. Croix

Sprat Hall

St. Thomas

Coki Point

DPNR will continue to monitor the impacted areas and waters. For additional information regarding water quality call the Division of Environmental Protection at 773-1082 in St. Croix.