



**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 33 designated beaches throughout the Territory during the week of September 21-25, 2015. The following beaches **meet water quality standards and are safe for swimming or fishing**:

**St. Croix**

Stoney Ground  
Protestant Cay  
Chenay Bay  
Buccaneer  
Cramer Park  
Rainbow  
Shoy's

New Fort (Ft. Louise  
Augusta)  
Halfpenny  
Princess (Condo Row)  
Columbus Landing  
Dorsch  
Frederiksted Public Beach

Sprat Hall

**St. Thomas**

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

**St. John**

Cruz Bay  
Oppenhiemer  
Great Cruz Bay  
Frank Bay  
Johnson Bay

The following beaches **do not meet water quality standards and therefore not considered to be safe for swimming or fishing:**

**St. Croix**

Cane Bay  
Pelican Cove (Comorant)

**St. Thomas**

Water Bay  
Lindquist  
Coki Point

**PLEASE NOTE:** Grapetree Bay on St. Croix could not be sampled this week due to the heavy presence of seaweed along the shoreline.

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.