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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 34 designated beaches throughout the Territory during the week of September 14-18, 2015. The following beaches **meet water quality standards and are safe for swimming or fishing**:

St. Croix

Princess (Condo Row)
Columbus Landing
Dorsch
Frederiksted Public Beach
Sprat Hall

Rainbow
Shoy's
New Fort (Ft. Louise August
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Pelican Cove (Comorant)

Stoney Ground
Protestant Cay
Chenay Bay
Buccaneer
Cane Bay
Cramer Park

St. Thomas

Lindquist
Bolongo
Sapphire
Coki Point
Magen's Bay
Secret Harbor
Bluebeards
Lindbergh Bay

St. John

Cruz Bay
Oppenhiemer
Great Cruz Bay
Frank Bay

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

St. Croix

Halfpenny

St. Thomas

Frenchman's Bay
Hull Bay
Brewer's Bay
Vessup Bay
Water Bay
Bluebeards

PLEASE NOTE: Grapetree Bay on St. Croix and Johnson Bay on St. John 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.