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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 32 designated beaches throughout the Territory during the week of January 19-23, 2015. The following beaches **meet water quality standards and are safe for swimming or fishing**:

St. Croix

Stony Ground
Dorsch
Protestant Cay
Chenay Bay
Buccaneer
Cane Bay

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

Pelican Cove (Comorant)
Halfpenny
Grapetree Bay
Princess (Condo Row)

St. Thomas

Magen's Bay
Vessup Bay
Bluebeards
Coki Point
Frenchman's Bay
Secret Harbor

Lindberg Bay
Hull Bay
Brewer's Bay
Linguist
Bolongo Bay

Water Bay
Sapphire

St. John

Oppenhiemer
Great Cruz Bay
Johnson's Bay

* Note: Hart Bay on St. John could not be accessed at the time of sample collection.

However, the following beaches **DO NOT MEET THE WATER QUALITY STANDARDS FOR SWIMMING OR FISHING:**

St. John

Cruz Bay

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.