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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 31 designated beaches throughout the Territory during the week of September 6 – September 10, 2021. The following beaches meet water quality standards and are considered safe for swimming and fishing:

St. Croix		
Stony Ground	Pelican Cove	
Dorsch Beach	Cramer's Park	Shoy's
Frederiksted Public Beach	Protestant Cay	Halfpenny Beach
Rainbow Beach	Buccaneer	Chenay Bay
New Fort (Ft. Louise Augusta)	Cane Bay	Princess (Condo row)

St. Thomas		
Lindbergh Bay	Sapphire Beach	Lindqvist Beach
Frenchman's Bay	Vessup Bay	Secret Harbor
Magen's Bay	Coki Point	Bluebeards
Brewer's Bay	Hull Bay	Water Bay

Water Island		
Honeymoon Beach		

St. John
Great Cruz Bay
Frank Bay
Cruz Bay
Johnson Bay

Please note: Samples were not collected at the following beaches:

- *Sprat Hall, Grapetree Bay and Columbus Landing on St. Croix*
- *Bolongo Bay on St. Thomas*
- *Oppenheimer on St. John*

Therefore, the water quality at these beaches is unknown.

All persons should also be aware that storm water runoff may contain contaminants or pollutants harmful to human health, and therefore should avoid areas of storm water runoff (i.e. guts, puddles, and drainage basins) or any area that appears discolored or has foul odors. 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 or 774-3320 in St. Thomas.