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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 analyses at 19 designated beaches throughout the Territory during the week of March 24– March 28, 2025.

Based on the analytical results, the following beaches met water quality standards and are considered safe for swimming and fishing:

St. Thomas		
Bluebeard's Beach	Sapphire Beach	Morningstar Beach
Bolongo Bay	Limetree Beach	Secret Harbor
Brewers Bay	Lindbergh Bay	Vessup Bay
Coki Point	Lindqvist Beach	Magens Bay
Hull Bay		

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

Water Island

Honeymoon Beach (Druif)

Please note: Samples were not collected on St. Croix as well as the following beaches:

- Water Bay on St. Thomas
- Frenchman's Bay on St. Thomas.

Therefore, the water quality at these beaches is unknown.

Please be advised that anyone swimming in sewage-impacted or stormwater-impacted areas may be at an elevated health risk because of increased concentrations of bacteria or other contaminants. Areas impacted by sewage, stormwater runoff (i.e., guts, puddles, and drainage basins), or any area that appears discolored or has foul odors should be avoided. DPNR will continue to monitor 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.