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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, a measure of water clarity, advises the public of the following:

DPNR performed water quality analysis at 14 designated beaches throughout the Territory during the week of February 2, 2025– February 6, 2026. **Beaches on St. Croix and St. John were not sampled this week due to inclement weather.**

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

St. Thomas		
Bluebeards Beach	Hull Bay	Magens Bay
Bolongo Bay	Limetree Beach	Sapphire Beach
Brewers Bay	Lindbergh Bay	Secret Harbor
Frenchman Bay	Lindqvist Beach	Vessup Bay

Water Island

Honeymoon Beach (Druif)

The following beach did not meet water quality standards because it exceeded the established Enterococci bacteria threshold and is therefore considered unsafe for swimming or fishing:

- *Coki Point on St. Thomas.*

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

- *Water Bay on St. Thomas*

- *Morningstar Beach on St. Thomas*
- *Beaches on St. Croix*
- *Beaches on St. John.*

Therefore, the water quality at these beaches is unknown.

Please be advised that anyone swimming in waters contaminated with stormwater, sewage, or with large amounts of sargassum may be at an elevated health risk due to higher concentrations of bacteria or other contaminants. Waters impacted by stormwater runoff (i.e., guts, puddles, and drainage basins), sewage, large amounts of sargassum, or any area that appears discolored or has foul odors should be avoided. DPNR will continue to monitor the impacted 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.