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Beach Advisories Lifted for Magnus Beach and Richardi Park Beach

Water sampling results call for full body contact

The Health Department of Northwest Michigan (HDNW) is lifting the partial body contact advisories for Magnus Beach in Emmet County and Richardi Park Beach in Antrim County. Based on the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE) water quality standards, the follow-up water samples taken Thursday are within the parameters for contact above the waist and swimming.

Magnus Beach, located at 901 W. Lake Street in Petoskey, re-tested at 12.3 E. coli/100ml. Richardi Park Beach, located on E. Antrim Road in Bellaire, re-tested at 215.8 E. coli/100ml. The threshold for declaring an advisory is 300 E. coli/100ml.

“With recent follow-up samples testing below the advisory threshold, as of Friday, August 5th, there are no beach advisories in place for Antrim, Charlevoix, Emmet, and Otsego counties—making way for the summer water activities we all enjoy,” said Jeremy Fruk, HDNW Director of Environmental Health.

As of today, August 5, HDNW is beginning to publish the [full list of water samples](#) taken and tested during the week. It provides residents and visitors access to the latest water sampling results.

“HDNW’s Beach Monitoring Program is part of the Health Department’s ongoing efforts to ensure public safety,” Fruk said.

Stay informed on HDNW’s beach monitoring results by checking the agency’s [website](#) and [Facebook](#) page. Also, through an EGLE supported web-based program, the public has real-time access to beach water quality results for beaches all over Michigan. Information can be found at <https://www.egle.state.mi.us/beach>.

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