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### **Beach Advisory Announced for Zorn Park**

The Health Department of Northwest Michigan (HDNW) has issued a partial body advisory for Zorn Park in Harbor Springs, Emmet County. The advisory is posted at the beach.

A water sample collected Tuesday showed an E. coli level of 387.3 per 100 milliliters (ml), which requires limited water use based on Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE) water quality standards. The beach is located at 151 E. Bay Street in Harbor Springs.

Levels testing between 301 and 1,000 per 100 ml qualify for partial body contact advisories, based on EGLE standards. With a partial body contact, wading, paddling, and fishing are considered safe.

The beach is being resampled today. Results will be shared with the public tomorrow, Thursday, Aug. 24.

Water sampling is done throughout the summer months to monitor E. coli levels at many public beaches. The levels change frequently, impacted by the presence of fowl, waves, and more. When a sample comes back that creates an advisory of any type, the water at that beach is sampled again the next day to keep the public updated.

HDNW posts beach monitoring reports weekly on its website at <https://www.nwhealth.org/beach.html>. 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 [www.deq.state.mi.us/beach/](http://www.deq.state.mi.us/beach/).

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