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County beach water advisory lifted for Venice Public Beach

The Sarasota County Health Department has lifted the beach water advisory at Venice Public Beach after receiving laboratory test results today, March 17, from beach water testing conducted Wednesday, March 16. Water quality at this location now meets both the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and state recreational water standards. Residents and visitors may return to swimming and other water sports at this beach site.

The Sarasota County Health Department monitors water quality weekly at 16 sites along Sarasota's 34 miles of beaches. The intent of this program is to provide county residents and visitors with accurate, up-to-date information on the water quality at county beaches. Click here for beach water testing results. No other beach water advisories are in effect in Sarasota County.

Residents and visitors can visit www.OurGulfEnvironment.net and click on water monitoring and then bacterial testing to check beach water testing results of area Gulf beaches, or call the Sarasota County Health Department's Environmental Health office at 941-861-6133.