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## **Sarasota area “no swim” advisory lifted at Bird Key Park west of the Ringling Causeway**

A “no swim” advisory that has been in place at Bird Key Park, west of the Ringling Causeway, since late Thursday, Oct. 11 has been lifted this afternoon. Sarasota County Health Department officials received testing results from samples taken yesterday, Friday, Oct. 12 that were at a satisfactory level meeting 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 “no swim” advisory signage will be removed.

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 our beaches. [Click here](#) for beach water testing results.

When making beach day plans, be sure to check the latest reports on beach conditions.

For more information:

- Visit [www.OurGulfEnvironment.net](http://www.OurGulfEnvironment.net), and click on water monitoring and then bacterial testing to check beach water testing results of area Gulf beaches.
- Call 941-BEACHES (941-232-2437).
- Visit Sarasota County also provides extensive information about Sarasota, including its beaches. The website is [www.visitsarasota.org](http://www.visitsarasota.org).

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