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PUBLIC HEALTH ADVISORY UPDATE

Water sampling results allow lifting most of the public health advisories from July 18th which were a result of an accidental sewage spill into the Boardman River after a heavy rain event. E. coli test results from July 20th sampling, indicate E. coli levels now meet recreational water quality standards for full body contact at Clinch Park and Bryant Park Beaches. In addition, Sunset Park Beach has acceptable E. coli levels for partial body contact such as wading, fishing, and paddling. However, Senior Center Beach will continue to have a no body contact advisory due to elevated E. coli levels. This was likely a result of high onshore winds and wave action observed during sampling. All monitored beaches will be sampled on Wednesday as part of the routine beach monitoring program.

<u>Site</u>	<u>sample results</u> <u>E. coli count per 100ml</u>	<u>Water Quality Index</u>
Clinch Park Beach	150	1
Sunset Park Beach	351	2
Senior Center Beach	1170	3
Bryant Park Beach	158	1
Board River – N. Union and Front St.	225	1

Water Quality Index Body Contact Limits

- Level 1 E. coli levels meet EGLE swimming standards for full body contact (0-300 E. coli).
- Level 2 E. coli levels meet EGLE standards for wading, fishing, and boating. Contact above the waist not advised (301-1000 E. coli).
- Level 3 E. coli levels exceed EGLE standards, no body contact advised (>1000 E. coli)