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Beach Advisory for Nov. 21, 2012

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Beach Closures: 1

ATTENTION: West Hagåtña Bay is currently closed due to the intended continued use of the old fractured outfall at the Hagåtña Sewage Treatment Plant as emergency and/or bypass overflow. The area closed includes Hagåtña Boat Basin & Channel and the West Hagåtña Beach Park.

Beach Advisories: 25

The results of samples taken by the Guam Environmental Protection Agency on Tuesday, November 20, 2012, identified that the following recreational waters were polluted above the accepted bacteriological standards:

- **TAMUNING:** Gognga Beach, Naton Beach - San Vitores, Naton Beach - Guma Trankilidat, Ypao Beach, Dungca's Beach, East Hagåtña Bay - Trinchera Beach
- **HAGATNA:** Padre Palomo Park Beach, West Hagatna Bay (West Storm Drain)
- **ASAN:** Adelup Beach Park, Asan Bay Beach
- **PITI:** Piti Bay, Santos Memorial Park, Family Beach, Port Authority Beach
- **AGAT:** Togcha Beach - near Namu River, Togcha Beach - Agat Park Beach, Togcha Beach (Near Southern Christian Academy), Bangi Beach, Nimitz Beach
- **UMATAC:** Toguan Bay
- **MERIZO:** Merizo Pier at Mamaon Channel
- **INARAJAN:** Inarajan Pool, Inarajan Bay
- **TALOFOFO:** Talofoyo Bay
- **CHALAN PAGO-ORDOT:** Pago Bay

Swimming, fishing or playing in unsafe waters may result in minor illnesses such as sore throats or diarrhea. It may also result in more serious illnesses such as meningitis, encephalitis, or severe gastroenteritis. Children, the elderly and people with weakened immune systems have a greater chance of getting sick when they come in contact with contaminated water.

The Recreational Waters Pollution Report is compiled by Guam EPA's Environmental Monitoring and Analytical Services (EMAS) Division. Guam EPA has performed this community service weekly since 1974.

The EMAS Division takes water samples of 44 recreational beaches every Thursday* and analyzes the samples for concentrations of the enterococcus bacteria indicator. Advisories are based on an instantaneous standard of not greater than 104 enterococci/100 ml and a geometric mean standard of not greater than 35 enterococci/100 ml. *Adjustments are made during official holidays.



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