## FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH IN MANATEE LIFTS PRECAUTIONARY SWIM ADVISORY



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**Bradenton, Fla. –** The Florida Department of Health in Manatee County (DOH-Manatee) has lifted the countywide precautionary swim advisory for public beaches that it issued on September 1 due to the potential effects on water quality related to Hurricane Idalia.

A no-swim advisory has been issued for Palma Sola South, located along SR64 near Palma Sola Bay in Manatee County.

A no-swim advisory is issued when enterococci bacteria levels exceed Federal Guidelines for safe swimming. It is thought that contact with the water at the site could make beachgoers sick.

The advisory will be in effect until the water meets Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) safety guidelines.

Other beaches located in Manatee County – including Bayfront Park North, Manatee Public Beach, Bradenton Beach, Coquina Beach (North and South) and Broadway Beach Access on Longboat Key – are not under advisory.

Additional information about the Healthy Beaches program can be found by calling (941) 714-7593, or by visiting the Florida Department of Health's website at <a href="https://www.FloridaHealth.gov">www.FloridaHealth.gov</a> and selecting Beach Water Quality under the Environmental Health tab of the navigation bar.

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