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Precautionary water quality swimming advisory lifted for sound-side area in Swansboro

MOREHEAD CITY – State recreational water quality officials today lifted a precautionary swimming advisory along the waterfront in Swansboro.

The advisory, caused by a sewer line breach which resulted in an untreated wastewater discharge into Ward Creek, was posted on July 22. The advisory against swimming, skiing or otherwise coming into contact with the water has been lifted. Subsequent water testing at this site shows bacteria levels are well below state and federal recreational water quality standards set for swimming and water play.

State recreational water quality officials issued the precautionary advisory because untreated wastewater can cause adverse health effects such as diarrhea, abdominal cramps and skin infections.

For more information on the N.C. Recreational Water Quality Program, visit the [program's website](#), view a [map of the testing sites](#), and follow the [program's Twitter feed](#).

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