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SANTA BARBARA COUNTY OCEAN WATERS IMPROVE

(SANTA BARBARA, Calif.) – Ocean water samples were taken on Monday, February 5, for all beaches where bacterial testing is historically conducted in the County. The results of these tests reveal that all ocean waters have bacterial levels below the standard and are safe for ocean activities with the exception of three beaches, **Carpinteria, Goleta and Hammonds**. These three beaches have high levels in one category (enterococcus) and the ocean waters remain **closed to any ocean water activities**.

Residents and visitors are cautioned that buffer zones around areas where sediment has been deposited at Goleta and Carpinteria beaches have high bacterial levels. Due to the risk of illness with high bacterial levels, all are urged to stay outside of the buffer zone areas.

Ocean Water testing results are listed below. The standard for each category is listed in black. The test results are listed in red.

Sites	Total Coliform (MPN*)	Total Coliform State Health Standard (MPN*)	Fecal Coliform (MPN*)	Fecal Coliform State Health Standard (MPN*)	Enterococcus (MPN*)	Enterococcus State Health Standard (MPN*)
East Beach @ Sycamore Creek	<10	10,000	<10	400	<10	104
East Beach @ Mission Creek	240	10,000	121	400	63	104
Leadbetter Beach	110	10,000	<10	400	<10	104
Arroyo Burro Beach	<10	10,000	<10	400	85	104
Hope Ranch Beach	31	10,000	<10	400	<10	104
Goleta Sandspit	1500	10,000	10	400	246	104
Goleta Beach - East Buffer Zone	>24,192	10,000	1658	400	>24,192	104
Goleta Beach - West Buffer Zone	>24,192	10,000	3654	400	>24,192	104
El Capitan	110	10,000	10	400	41	104
Refugio State Beach	10	10,000	<10	400	<10	104
Gaviota State Beach	<10	10,000	<10	400	<10	104
Sand @ Coal Point	86	10,000	<10	400	<10	104
Carp at East Buffer	>24,192	10,000	789	400	>24,192	104
Carp at West Buffer	>24,192	10,000	670	400	>24,192	104
Carpinteria State Beach	2046	10,000	31	400	426	104
Summerland	168	10,000	10	400	<10	104
Hammond	2755	10,000	85	400	598	104
Butterfly	10	10,000	<10	400	<10	104