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## **WATER ADVISORY LIFTED AT LEIGHTON PARK AND THE ROOSEVELT BRIDGE**

(Martin County, FL) - Following a series of samples in the acceptable range for enteric bacteria, the advisory to avoid contact with the waters near Leighton Park in Palm City and the Roosevelt Bridge in Stuart has ended.

Enteric bacteria inhabit the intestinal tract of humans and animals and their presence in recreational waters is an indicator of fecal pollution. The presence of these bacteria may come from storm water runoff, pets, wildlife and human sewage.

The advisory had been in effect for the Roosevelt Bridge since May and for Leighton Park since March of this year. These areas will continue to be tested weekly along with Sandsprit Park and the Stuart Sandbar. In addition, ocean beaches and the Indian River Lagoon causeways are sampled every other week.

River and beach water sample results are available by clicking on the Florida Department of Health in Martin County's website : [www.MartinCountyHealth.com](http://www.MartinCountyHealth.com) and clicking on the Environmental Health link.

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