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Health advisories lifted for water contact at Seaside and Cannon beaches

Health advisories for contact with marine water at Seaside Beach and Cannon Beach in Clatsop County were lifted today by the Oregon Health Authority.

The advisories were issued Thursday after water samples at Seaside Beach and Cannon Beach showed higher-than-normal levels of fecal bacteria. Results from subsequent samples taken by the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality showed contamination has subsided, and the water no longer poses a higher-than-normal risk associated with water contact activities.

State officials encourage recreational activities at all Oregon beaches, suggesting only that water contact be avoided when advisories are in effect.

Since 2003, state officials have used a federal Environmental Protection Agency grant to monitor popular Oregon beaches and make timely reports to the public about elevated levels of fecal bacteria. Oregon state agencies participating in this program are Oregon Public Health, Oregon Department of Environmental Quality and the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department.

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