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Weekly Grand Traverse County Beach Report (Update)

Sample Collected September 7, 2018, Reported September 8, 2018

GRAND TRAVERSE BAY

<u>Beach</u>	sample results	Water Quality Index	
	E. coli count per 100ml		
West End			
TC Volley Ball Beach			
Clinch Park			
Bryant Park			
East Bay (Milliken) Park			
TC State Park			
Sayler Park			
Sunset Park	22	1	
TC Senior Center			

INLAND LAKES

Beach	This weeks sample results	Water Quality Index	
	E. coli count per 100ml		
Gilbert Park			
(Long Lake)			
Taylor Park			
(Long Lake)			
Interlochen State Park			
(Duck Lake)			
Twin Lakes Park			
(North Twin Lake)			

Water Quality Index	Body Contact Limits	E.coli/100ml (Single Event)	E.coli/100ml (30 day geo-mean)
Level 1	E. coli levels meet MDEQ swimming standards for full body contact.	0-300	0-130
Level 2	E. coli levels meet MDEQ standards for wading, fishing, and boating. Contact above the waist not advised.	301-1000	131-1000
Level 3	E. coli levels exceed MDEQ standards, no body contact advised.	>1000	>1000
Level 4	Health Alert. E. coli levels and/or known gross contamination of beach waters. Avoid contact with beach waters.		

Note: Beach samples are routinely collected once a week. Therefore E. coli levels may not meet the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) standards between sampling days. E. coli levels are more likely to increase after a storm.

Note: All beaches are sampled using the composite sampling method approved by the MDEQ. Follow-up samples after a Level 2, 3, or 4 will utilize geometric mean.