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Weekly Grand Traverse County Beach Report

Samples collected August 7, Reported August 8

GRAND TRAVERSE BAY

<u>Beach</u>	<u>This week's sample results:</u> <u>E. coli count per 100ml</u>	<u>Water Quality Index</u>
Clinch Park	35	Level 1
West End Beach	13	Level 1

<u>Water Quality Index</u>	<u>Body Contact Limits</u>	<u>E. coli/100ml</u> (single event)	<u>E. coli/100ml</u> (30-day geo-mean)
Level 1	E. coli levels meet EGLE swimming standards for full body contact.	0-300	0-130
Level 2	E. coli levels meet EGLE standards for wading, fishing, and boating. Contact above the waist is not advised.	301-1000	131-1000
Level 3	E. coli levels exceed EGLE 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 Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE) standards between sampling days. E. coli levels are more likely to increase after a storm.

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