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DOH-Monroe Issues Water Quality Health Advisory

Advisory Issued for John Pennekamp State Park Beach



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Monroe, Fla. — The Florida Department of Health in Monroe County (DOH-Monroe) has issued a water quality advisory for the following location:

John Pennekamp State Park Beach Key Largo, FL 33037

Tests completed on Tuesday, May 20, 2025, indicate that the water quality at John Pennekamp State Park Beach does not meet the recreational water quality criteria for *Enterococcus* bacteria recommended by the Florida Department of Health.

DOH-Monroe advises against any water-related activities at this location due to an increased risk of illness in swimmers. Sampling conducted during regular water quality monitoring showed that the level of bacteria exceeds the level established by state guidelines.

This advisory will continue until bacteria levels are below the accepted health level. Test results are available at FloridaHealth.gov/HealthyBeaches.

For more information, call 305-293-7500 or visit Monroe. Florida Health.gov.

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