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### **Health Alert Lifted**

PENSACOLA – The Escambia County (Florida) Health Department is lifting the following health alert for swimming and water sports in the following area in Escambia County (Florida):

#### **Intracoastal Waterway adjacent to Big Lagoon State Park and Johnson Beach**

The alert was first issued on Thursday February 14<sup>th</sup> and was caused by a sewage force main break near Gongora and Perdido Key Drive, the Intracoastal Waterway east of the Perdido Key Bridge. During the alert period, the Health Department advised against any water-related activities including swimming and fishing due to the potential for high bacteria levels.

For more information contact the Escambia County Health Department at 595-6786.

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