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Only Grapetree Bay On St. Croix Not Safe This Weekend, D.P.N.R. Says

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The Department of Planning and Natural Resources on Friday said only 1 of the 37 beaches it tested between August 28 - September 1, proved to be not safe for swimming and fishing this weekend, because it did not meet the water quality standard deemed safe.

The unsafe beach is Grapetree Bay in St. Croix.

All other waters were good to go: On St. Croix, they are: Pelican Cove (Cormorant), Rainbow, Chenay Bay, Cane Bay, Stoney Ground, Frederiksted Public Beach, Dorsch Beach, Shoy's, Halfpenny, Spratt Hall, Protestant Cay, Princess, Condo Row, Cramer's

Park, Columbus Landing, New Fort (Ft. Louise Augusta) and Buccaneer.

Safe Beaches on St. Thomas are: Bolongo Bay, Lindquist, Magen's Bay, Vessup Bay, Water Bay, Bluebeards, Frenchman's Bay, Coki Point, Sapphire, Lindbergh Bay, Hull Bay, Morningstar, Limetree, Brewer's Bay and Secret Harbor.

And on St. John, D.P.N.R. identified the safe beaches as: Cruz Bay, Oppenheimer, Great Cruz Bay, Frank Bay and Johnson Bay.

D.P.N.R. says it will continue to monitor these popular swimming areas. The department also recommends that beachgoers use their discretion when swimming or fishing at the designated beaches.

If the waters appear muddy or murky or have foul odors, do not swim or fish. For additional information regarding water quality call the Division of Environmental Protection at 773-1082 in St. Croix.