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River Advisory Lifted for the Great Miami River south of Oxford State Road

BUTLER COUNTY, OHIO – The water advisory for Great Miami River south of Oxford State Road was lifted Monday afternoon, after public health officials were notified the City of Middletown Sewage Treatment Plant had resumed normal operations.

Water samples taken over the weekend have been consistently showing that the plant is no longer discharging high levels of E. Coli into the Great Miami River. A precautionary water advisory as a result of under-treated sewage was issued by the Butler County General Health District (BCGHD) and City of Hamilton Health Department (CHHD)

BCGHD and CHHD in consultation with the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) have determined that normal river recreation activities may resume.

We encourage river users to follow the typical precautions including:

- Not drinking river water;
- Washing hands thoroughly;
- Showering after river use.

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