

What do the red and green bullets mean?

- = Public Swimming Beach Open
- = Public Swimming Beach Closed-DO NOT SWIM!

There are seven public swimming beaches in Kosciusko County. To keep swimmers safe, the Kosciusko County Health Department routinely monitors these beaches for elevated *E. coli* levels for the summer season from Memorial Day to Labor Day.

If there are unsafe levels of *E. coli* at a beach the health department closes that beach.

If a beach is declared closed there is no swimming allowed at that beach until it is reopened.

Beach closings apply only to the beach area and not to the entire lake. So other lake activities, such as fishing and canoeing, are still permitted. Even fish caught during this time are generally safe to consume.

During the winter season, public swimming beaches are not monitored for *E. coli* and there are not lifeguards on duty. Therefore, the public swimming beaches are considered closed in the winter season from Labor Day to Memorial Day.