Round: 1B



Contamination from land-based sources is causing more beach closures nationwide. The sign above is posted at a public access beach.

1. What do state health officials test as an indicator of sewage pollution and human health risks, often leading to beach closures?

Fecal coliforms OR E. Coli OR Enterococci sp. (3 pts)

2. a. State three (3) characteristics of non-point source pollution.

Non-point source pollution <u>comes from diffuse sources</u> (2 pts), <u>occurs</u> <u>over large areas</u> (2 pts) and is <u>associated with particular land uses</u> (2 pts)

b. Give two (2) examples of non-point source pollution.

Accept any two (2) of the following (2 pts each, 4 pts total):

- Urban run-off: car leaks, animal waste, litter
- Agricultural run-off: fertilizers, herbicides, pesticides, animal waste
- Sediment from construction sites, agricultural lands
- Salt from irrigation practices, road salting, streambed erosion
- Bacteria/nutrients from livestock and residential septic systems
- Atmospheric deposition
- 3. a. Define point source pollution.

Point source pollution comes from an easily identifiable source such as a pipe or drain. (3 pts)

b. Give one (1) example of point source pollution.

Accept any one (1) of the following for 2 pts:

- Sewage treatment plants Storm water drains
- Industrial facilities outputs Sewer pipes
- 4. What federal legislation regulates point source pollution?

Clean Water Act (2 pts)