List of bathing areas for the 2012 season:

* Şag
* Albina

The number of bathers per sanitary unauthorized bathing area (per week and per season): 200-350/area, on weekends.

Monitoring points and their coordinates:

* Sampling points in each unauthorized area: two upstream and two downstream beaches.

- GIS coordinates - Şag area 45°64’N, 21°17’W

- Albina area 45°69’N, 21°29’W

The parameters of bathing water quality of river Timis are monitored annually, according to the annual monitoring calendar.

Reasons for any changes compared with the previous year:

* Poor bathing water quality in terms of microbiological parameters, bathing areas used by a smaller number of people due to bad weather (rain in June and drought in July and August), leading to decreased water flow in the warm season.

Causes of surface water pollution: livestock access to the river (drinking, bathing), animal shelters in the river bed, grazing near the banks of water, gravel mines, other unorganized sources of pollution

Mayors of Sag and Mosnita were informed about the requirement to display visible panels with the inscription: Bathing prohibited! Risk of illness!

Due to the high frequency of inconsistent results of surface water samples, starting with June, DSP Timis will organize water control and monitoring actions in the two areas.

Depending on results, DSP will update information to both population and the institutions that manage these areas with its findings and the measures ordered.

Recommendations: banning of swimming in those areas to prevent water-borne diseases and accidents.