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MAWSS reports Sanitary Sewer Overflow because of lift station failure

MOBILE, Alabama — Mobile Area Water & Sewer System (MAWSS) responded to Sanitary Sewer Overflows on October 9 at two locations: 3808 St. Andrews Loop North and Lipscomb Landing at Rochelle Lane.

Approximately 2,466 gallons of wastewater overflowed into Montlimar Creek as a result of a power failure at a lift station because of Hurricane Nate. MAWSS crews have made repairs and are taking further steps to prevent future overflows at the listed locations.

Dr. Bernard H. Eichold II, Health Officer for the Mobile County Health Department, advises area residents to take precautions when coming into contact with any standing water that may have accumulated as a result of these overflows. Those who have come into direct contact with untreated sewage are advised to wash their hands and clothing thoroughly.

Area residents should take precautions when using Montlimar Creek for recreational purposes because of the overflow. All seafood harvested in this general area should be thoroughly cooked before eating. People should wash hands after cleaning seafood and before preparing food.