

**September 6, 2018**

**Sanitary Sewer Overflows reported by MAWSS because of heavy rains and flooding**

MOBILE, Alabama — Mobile Area Water & Sewer System (MAWSS) responded to multiple Sanitary Sewer Overflows because of heavy rainfall and flooding that occurred on September 5 because of Tropical Storm Gordon. Sewer overflows occur when heavy rain infiltrates aging sewer lines. MAWSS reports it is addressing overflows with capital projects.

Below are the locations, estimated amounts and receiving waters. MAWSS reports overflows have stopped at this time.

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| 4315 Giblin Road                 | 16,500 | Rabbit Creek |
| 766 Johnston Avenue              | 16,125 | Eslava Creek |
| Dog River Dr. W. & Bream Dr.     | 4,900  | Dog River    |
| 2409 Octavia Drive S.            | 3,500  | Dog River    |
| 1910 Kentwood Lane               | 1,100  | Dog River    |
| Dog River Drive at Marengo Drive | 550    | Dog River    |
| Parkway Drive & Peer Court       | 375    | Dog River    |
| 2335 Dog River Drive S.          | 130    | Dog River    |

Dr. Bernard H. Eichold II, Health Officer for the Mobile County Health Department, advises area residents to take precautions when encountering any standing water that may have accumulated because 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 Rabbit Creek, Eslava Creek and Dog River 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.