



Media Release

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Notification of Discharge of Untreated Sewage in Wake County

General Statute 143-215.1C requires that the owner or operator of any wastewater collection or treatment works to issue a press release when an untreated wastewater discharge of 1,000 gallons or more reaches surface waters.

In accordance with that regulation, the following news release has been prepared and issued to media in the affected county (ies):

The Town of Fuquay-Varina had a wastewater spill February 13, 2017 from a sewer force main located at 241 Dickens Road. An estimated 5,000 gallons of untreated wastewater spilled into an unnamed tributary to Basel Creek which is in the Cape Fear River Basin.

A structural failure of a PVC check valve was contributed to this event. The affected area was immediately inspected and cleaned-up after the incident and no detrimental impact to the receiving stream or surrounding area was observed.

The Division of Water Resources was notified of the event on February 13, 2017 and is reviewing this matter. For additional information please contact Jay T. Meyers P.E., Director of Public Utilities (919) 567-3911.