



## UNION COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

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### News Release

### Sanitary Sewer Overflows

**September 20, 2012, Monroe, NC** – A sanitary sewer overflow occurred in the Union County sanitary sewer system on Tuesday, Sept. 18. The overflow was not significant enough to cause immediate danger to human health or the environment.

All pipes, pumps and equipment were operating properly on Wednesday. The sewer overflow was the direct result of heavy rain during a short period of time causing storm water to enter the sanitary sewer system.

The sanitary sewer overflow occurred off McIntyre Road near Wingate at approximately 10:15 a.m. and lasted until 1:15 p.m. The overflow was estimated at 2,500 gallons with a portion of the overflow entering Meadows Branch.

Union County has an ongoing program to identify and reduce stormwater entry into the sanitary sewer system. The overflows have been reported to the North Carolina Division of Water Quality. For additional information, contact the Union County Public Works Department at 704-296-4210.

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