



UNION COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

News Release

Sanitary Sewer Overflows

September 4, 2012, Monroe, NC – A sanitary sewer overflow occurred in the Union County sanitary sewer system on Wednesday, Aug. 29. 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 and flooding causing storm water to enter the sanitary sewer system.

The sanitary sewer overflow occurred off Old Fish Road at approximately 5:40 p.m. and lasted until 6:40 p.m. The overflow was estimated at 3,000 gallons with a portion of the overflow entering Grassy 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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