



CITY OF WACO

Municipal Information

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

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Notice of Wastewater Discharge

Waco, Texas (October 21, 2019) – Due to a break in a 12 inch force main, an unauthorized discharge of wastewater has occurred from the City of Waco collection system.

The discharge, totaling approximately 51,300 gallons of domestic wastewater, occurred near the Cotton Belt Walking Trail, near 1600 Hannah Hill Rd. Crews are in the process of completing a repair of the line.

Facility Name: City of Waco

Person to contact for information: Lisa Tyer, (254) 750-8040

Location of spill(s): Cotton Belt Walking Trail, near 1600 Hannah Hill Rd.

Estimated date and time of spill(s): October 20, 4:45 p.m.

Estimated volume of spill(s)(number of gallons): 51,300

Type of Spill (domestic, industrial, other): domestic wastewater

Area potentially affected: area near 1600 Hannah Hill Rd. and the South Bosque River

Suspected cause of spill(s): break in a 12 inch force main

List of actions taken include, but are not limited to:

- Notification of appropriate local government officials
- Notification of TCEQ Regional Office

THIS IS NOT A BOIL WATER NOTICE. The information below includes mandatory health safety statements required by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality. The city's wastewater collection system is completely separate from the drinking water system and **the City of Waco has no reason to believe drinking water, distributed by the City of Waco, has been compromised or affected in any way.**

Persons May Wish to Take the Following Personal Precautions:

- Persons using private drinking water supply wells located within ½ mile of the spill site or within the potentially affected area should use only water that has been distilled or boiled at a rolling boil for at least one minute for all personal uses including drinking, cooking, bathing, and tooth brushing. Individuals with private water wells should have their well water tested and disinfected, if necessary, prior to discontinuing distillation or boiling.
- Persons who purchase water from a public water supply may contact their water supply distributor to determine if the water is safe for personal use.
- The public should avoid contact with waste material, soil, or water in the area potentially affected by the spill.
- If the public comes into contact with waste material, soil, or water potentially affected by the spill, they should bathe and wash clothes thoroughly as soon as possible.

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