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News Release

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City of Durham Contains Sewer Spill at River Forest Park

DURHAM, N.C. - The City of Durham Water Management Department reports that a sanitary sewer manhole, located on Wake Robin Lane inside River Forest Park, was found overflowing at 1:30 p.m. on February 3, 2015.

Approximately 432,000 gallons of sewage spilled from the sanitary sewer system into an unnamed tributary of the Eno River. The overflow was caused by roots and grease that clogged the sewer system. The overflow ended at 3:30 p.m. on February 3, 2015.

The surrounding area is under remediation and there are no immediate visible adverse environmental impacts or hazards to persons or property.

The N.C. Department of Environment and Natural Resources has been notified.

About the Water Management Department

The Water Management Department is responsible for the operation and maintenance of Durham's water supply, water treatment and water reclamation (wastewater treatment) facilities, the collection and distribution systems (including meter reading), and customer billing services. The department has a wide variety of support divisions and programs to maintain the existing infrastructure that provide these integral services and strive to be a responsible steward of the City's physical assets. For information, visit <http://DurhamNC.gov/ich/op/dwm> or "like" Durham Saves Water at <http://www.Facebook.com/DurhamSavesWater>.

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