

November 28, 2017

Prichard responds to Sanitary Sewer Overflow

Prichard Water Works & Sewer responded to a Sanitary Sewer Overflow on November 27. The overflow, which was the result of a mechanical failure at a pumping station, was discovered at 8:30 a.m. and was stopped at 3 p.m. The nearest manhole location, estimated amount and receiving water is listed below:

<u>Location</u>	<u>Estimated Gallons</u>	<u>Receiving Water</u>
Velma St. & West Highland Ave.	3,600	Gum Tree Branch

Dr. Bernard H. Eichold II, Health Officer for the Mobile County Health Department, advises area residents to take precautions when coming into contact with any standing water that may have accumulated as a result of this overflow. Those who have come into direct contact with untreated sewage are advised to wash their hands and clothing thoroughly.

Area residents should take precautions when using Gum Tree Branch for recreational purposes because of the overflow. All seafood harvested in this general area should be thoroughly cooked before eating. People should wash hands after cleaning seafood and before preparing food.

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