

**February 9, 2018**

## **Saraland reports Sanitary Sewer Overflow**

MOBILE, Alabama — Saraland Water Service reported a Sanitary Sewer Overflow on February 8 at its main facility at 104 Station Street. A mechanical valve failure allowed approximately 75,000 to 100,000 gallons of wastewater to leak. Saraland officials say most of the spill was contained. A very small amount of wastewater did overflow into Norton Creek. Saraland crews are working to clean the site.

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 Norton Creek 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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