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Notification of Discharge of Untreated Wastewater

General Statute 143-215.1C requires that the owner or operator of any wastewater collection or treatment works to issue a press release when an untreated wastewater discharge of 1,000 gallons or more reaches surface waters.

In accordance with that regulation, the following news release has been prepared and issued to media in the affected county:

The Town of Robbins had a discharge of untreated wastewater on Saturday, September 15, 2018 of an estimated 7,500 gallons at the Candor Pump Station, located near Sunset Drive in Robbins. The untreated wastewater was discharged into Simlin Creek in the Cape Fear River Basin.

At approximately 12:00PM it was discovered that there was a power failure at the lift station due to the nearby electrical damage associated with Hurricane Florence. Staff worked for over five hours to minimize overflow, but storm flow was such that the Town's emergency response could not fully contain the spill. The spill was reported to state agencies at 8:13 PM, once the spill was contained. Power service has been restored to the lift station and normal operations have resumed. Staff will aggressively monitor all wastewater system operations throughout the continued threat posed by Hurricane Florence.

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