



# WASHINGTON SUBURBAN SANITARY COMMISSION SANITARY SEWER OVERFLOW WRITTEN REPORT

3025620-074-2021

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DATA CALLED IN BY: MARK A ALEXANDER                      DATE: 01/19/2021 AT 01:47AM

WORK ORDER(S): 3025620    3025588

EST DATE AND TIME SSO BEGAN: 01/18/2021 09:17PM    DURATION: 7.72 HRS  
DATE AND TIME SSO ENDED: 01/19/2021 05:00AM

SOURCE-CONTRACTOR                      SS04005032    WATER BODY AFFECTED-PISCATAWAY CREEK

CLOSEST STREET ADDRESS: 12210                      CLEAR CREEK DR                      20744-2760  
COUNTY/PAGE/GRID: P 5881 D05                      TOWN/CITY: FORT WASHINGTON

CAUSE: DAMAGED BY OTHERS                      EST OVERFLOW VOLUME: 1,390 GAL  
UPON ARRIVAL, THE INSPECTOR CONFIRMED 3 GALLONS OF SEWAGE PER MINUTE  
WAS ENTERING A NEW STORM DRAIN BEING INSTALLED BY A CONTRACTOR. THE  
STORM DRAIN LEADS TO AN UNKNOWN CREEK IN THE PISCATAWAY CREEK BASIN.  
IT IS SUSPECTED THAT THE CONTRACTOR DAMAGED THE 8" SEWER MAIN. A WSSC  
WATER CONTRACTOR SET UP OVERPUMPING TO END THE EVENT.

IMPACTS UPON PUBLIC HEALTH AND STATE WATERS:  
DISCOLORATION                      DRY WEATHER  
NOTICEABLE ODOR                      PUBLIC ACCESS

STEPS TAKEN OR PLANNED TO REDUCE, ELIMINATE AND PREVENT RECURRENCE:  
A WSSC WATER CONTRACTOR WILL MAKE PIPE REPAIRS. OVERPUMPING WILL  
REMAIN IN PLACE UNTIL REPAIRS ARE COMPLETE. A CCTV INSPECTION WILL BE  
PERFORMED UPON COMPLETION OF REPAIRS.  
THE PROBLEM WITH THIS SEWER LINE HAS BEEN REFERRED TO LINE BLOCKAGE  
ANALYSIS (LBA) FOR REVIEW. A FOLLOW-UP INVESTIGATION WILL BE CONDUCTED  
TO DETERMINE WHAT MEASURES SHOULD BE TAKEN TO REDUCE OR ELIMINATE  
THE CHANCE OF THIS LINE OVERFLOWING AGAIN.

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01/25/2021 UPDATE - A WSSC WATER CONTRACTOR COMPLETED PIPE REPAIRS ON  
01/20/2021. OVERPUMPING HAS BEEN REMOVED. A CCTV INSPECTION HAS BEEN  
PERFORMED.

MEASURES INITIATED/TAKEN TO MINIMIZE IMPACT:  
LIME                      RAKED AREA

NOTIFICATIONS MADE:  
MD DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT                      PG COUNTY HEALTH DEPT  
PG COUNTY MUNICIPALITIES

SIGNS POSTED: 10    POST DATE: 01/18/2021