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Sewer Emergency Repairs During Tropical Storm Completed

Dover, Del. – During Tropical Storm Isaias Kent County Department of Public Works was notified of a sewer leak in the median of US 13 at Twin Willows Road. County crews were immediately dispatched and began diverting flows to an emergency bypass, however not before reaching Snow Branch, a tributary of the Leipsic River.

In the midst of making repairs to the force main pipe, an additional spill occurred at the County pump station in Smyrna. As a result, untreated sewage overflowed into Mill Creek, a tributary of the Smyrna River. The force main repair was completed by a County contractor. As of now, sewer operations have returned to normal operations.

“All hands were on deck to take care of the problem. It was a long night and we appreciate the efforts of County crews and our contractors”, said Diana Golt, Director of Kent County Public Works. “We also want to thank the Town of Smyrna officials for asking their residents to conserve water.”

All agencies with interests into the emergency were notified as required.

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