

Mobile Area Water & Sewer System (MAWSS)

News Advisory

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MAWSS Offers Reward for Manhole Cover Thefts

Mobile Area Water & Sewer System (MAWSS) is offering a \$5000 reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of persons stealing sanitary sewer manhole castings and lids. Seven manholes were discovered missing castings and lids in the Chin St. area, behind the Plateau Cemetery, over the weekend. Castings and lids have been taken from this area before.

Open manholes are a safety hazard which can cause serious personal injury. Open manholes also present environment risk. Items that get into open manholes can cause blockages that result in sanitary sewer overflows. Some open manholes can also allow stormwater to infiltrate the sewer line putting it at risk for overflows.

Anyone with information on these thefts is asked to contact the Mobile County Sheriff's Office at 574-8633 or MAWSS at 694-3165.