

Mobile Area Water & Sewer System (MAWSS)

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Heavy Rains & Flooding from T.S. Cindy Cause Sanitary Sewer Overflows

Mobile Area Water and Sewer System (MAWSS) experienced sanitary sewer overflows as a result of heavy rain and flooding caused by Tropical Storm Cindy. The waterways affected are Three Mile Creek, Eslava Creek, Halls Mill Creek, and Dog River. A complete list of overflow locations and volumes will be provided.

MAWSS sewer system is designed to collect and convey wastewater to a MAWSS wastewater treatment plant. During heavy rains, storm water infiltrates and inundates aging sewer lines causing manholes to overflow. Though highly diluted, the wastewater enters storm drains that lead directly to creeks and streams. MAWSS is currently pursuing capital projects to address wet weather overflows and rehabilitation of the sanitary sewer system.

Health department precautions regarding contact with impacted waters and seafood preparation should be followed.