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NEWS RELEASE

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Blockage Causes Sanitary Sewer Overflow in Dubuque

DUBUQUE, Iowa – A pipe blockage has caused a Dubuque sanitary sewer to overflow, resulting in 35 gallons of untreated wastewater to flow over the ground near a manhole located in the woods behind 3135 Cedar Crest Ridge.

The City of Dubuque Public Works Department was notified at 1:20 p.m. this afternoon of a possible sanitary sewer overflow around a manhole located near Cedar Crest Ridge. City crews were dispatched to the location and the blockage removed by 2:15 p.m. The cause of the blockage is unknown at this time.

The area of the overflow has been cleaned and warning signs have been posted. However the Iowa Department of Natural Resources cautions people to keep their children and pets away from the area for the next 48 hrs.

For more information, contact the Iowa Department of Natural Resources' Manchester Field Office at 563-927-2640 or John Klostermann at 563-589-4250.

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