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NEWS RELEASE

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Blockage Causes Sanitary Sewer Overflow

DUBUQUE, Iowa – A sewer pipe blockage has caused a sanitary sewer to overflow, resulting in untreated wastewater to flow onto a Dubuque street.

The City of Dubuque Public Works Department was notified at 11 a.m. this morning of a possible sanitary sewer overflow in the 600 block of Lowell Street. City crews were dispatched to the location and found a blockage in the sanitary sewer line which overflowed onto the street. The blockage was removed and all flow has been directed back into the sanitary sewer system. The cause of the blockage is unknown at this time.

The Iowa Department of Natural Resources cautions people to keep their children and pets away from street and gutter area for the next 48 hours.

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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