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NEWS RELEASE

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Heavy Rains Causes Sanitary Sewer Overflow

DUBUQUE, IOWA – Heavy rains early this morning may have caused a sanitary sewer manhole to overflow and leak untreated wastewater onto the ground.

At approximately 8:30 a.m. today, the City of Dubuque Engineering Department discovered a sanitary sewer manhole in the 500 block of Lincoln Avenue that may have overflowed during the heavy rain event this morning. The Engineering Department is reviewing flow monitor information related to this line to verify this possible overflow.

For now, the Iowa Department of Natural Resources cautions people to keep their children and pets away from the noted area, which is posted, for forty-eight (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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