

## Town of Rockland Public Advisory Notification

The purpose of this email is to notify you of a Sanitary Sewer Overflow (SSO) as required by 314 CMR 16.00.

On January 10, 2024, at 11:00am there was a sanitary sewer discharge or overflow at the Rockland Wastewater Treatment Plant due to the recent heavy rain. The discharge or overflow consists of partially treated sewage.

On 1/18/2024 at 1:00am the discharge or overflow of the partially treated sewage ended. The total discharge lasted **182 hours**. As of 8:00am this morning the current flow is 4.8 MGD at a facility that has a design limit of 2.5 MGD.

The estimated volume of the discharge or overflow of the partially treated sewage was recorded at **6,895,845 gallons**.

The water bodies and land areas affected and/or potentially affected include the following:

- **French's Stream**

Avoid contact with this water body for 48 hours after the discharge or overflow ceases due to increased health risks from bacteria and other pollutants. See the website below for more information on whether specific resource areas such as bathing beaches are affected.

For additional information on discharges and overflows, and the SSO abatement program(s) please see Rockland's Sewer Department webpage: <https://rockland-ma.gov/242/Sewer>

Sincerely,

*Charles Heshion*

Charles Heshion – Chairman

Rockland Sewer Commission