

**PUBLIC NOTIFICATION**  
**Inadequately Treated Wastewater**

**Wastewater System Name:** City of St Marys WWTP

**County:** Camden

**Date of Release:** August 16, 2020

**Contact Person:** Bobby Marr, Public Works Director

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**Violation:**

On Sunday, August 16, 2020, the City of St. Marys experienced a sewer spill in the areas around Colerain Road and Sugar Mill Boulevard. The Public Works Department was notified of the lift station #15 failure and dispatched sewer personnel immediately. Once on scene, they determined that the lift station was inoperable due to one pump coming apart causing the second pump to break. Sewer personnel then took steps to restore service by setting up a portable bypass pump on the lift station. Sewage escaped the collection system starting at 7:00 PM through a gravity flow sewer line and entered Dark Entry Creek off Sugar Mill Boulevard and subsided at 11:00 PM. This resulted in an estimated 72,000 gallons of sewage being released.

The local health department, media and legal organ have been notified as required. There are no downstream water suppliers within twenty (20) miles of the spill site.

**This violation does not pose a threat to the quality of any Georgia waterway. Residents should not be alarmed. The supplier is taking corrective actions to ensure that an adequate wastewater program is maintained.**

**ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS VIOLATION SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO THE CONTACT PERSON LISTED ABOVE.**