

Notice of Wastewater Discharge (5/5/2024)

Hamilton, Texas (May 5, 2024) – Due large amounts of rainfall, an unauthorized discharge of wastewater has occurred from the City of Hamilton Wastewater Collection System. The discharges, totaling approximately 200,000 gallons of domestic wastewater, occurred at manholes along Pecan Creek.

Facility Name: City of Hamilton Wastewater Collection System

Contact for further information: Albert Bennie (254) 977-3636

Location of the spill: Multiple manholes along Pecan Creek.

Estimated time and date of spill: Estimated start date: 5/5/2024 8:00AM, **End date:** 5/7/2024 8:00AM

Estimated volume of the spill (number of gallons): 200,000 gallons

Type of spill (domestic) (industrial) (other) Explain other: domestic wastewater

Area potentially affected: Pecan creek

Suspected cause of spill: Heavy rainfall

List of actions taken include, but are not limited to:

- Notification of appropriate local government officials
- Notification of TCEQ Regional Office
- Initiation of cleanup activities
- Increased monitoring of water supply systems

THIS IS NOT A BOIL WATER NOTICE. Below, are several mandatory health safety statements required by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality. However, as wastewater lines are completely separate from drinking water lines, the City of Hamilton has no reason to believe drinking water, distributed by the City of Hamilton, has been compromised or affected in any way.

PERSONS MAY WISH TO TAKE THE FOLLOWING PERSONAL PRECAUTIONS:

- Persons using private drinking water supply wells located within ½ mile of the spill site or within the potentially affected area should use only water that has been distilled or boiled at a rolling boil for at least one minute for all personal uses including drinking, cooking, bathing, and tooth brushing. Individuals with private water wells should have their well water tested and disinfected, if necessary, prior to discontinuing distillation or boiling.
- Persons who purchase water from a public water supply may contact their water supply distributor to determine if the water is safe for personal use.
- The public should avoid contact with waste material, soil, or water in the area potentially affected by the spill.
- If the public comes into contact with waste material, soil, or water potentially affected by the spill, they should bathe and wash clothes thoroughly as soon as possible.