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### **News Release**

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### **City of Durham Contains Sewer Spill at Eno Pump Station**

DURHAM, N.C. – The City of Durham Department of Water Management reports that on October 19, 2018, approximately 1.3 million gallons of untreated wastewater were discharged from the Eno Pump Station into Eno River.

The station was found overflowing at approximately 6:50 a.m. The overflow was caused by a power surge resulting in a failure to a valve and pump, and was stopped at approximately noon. Temporary backup pumps were installed to divert flow into empty storage tanks on the partially decommissioned site, until a larger pump was brought on site and placed into service to bypass the station. Coincidentally, a coffer dam recently constructed downstream as part of the department's Eno River Sewer Pipe Replacement Project managed to trap the majority of solids from the spill. The City's Public Works Department's Stormwater Services staff is monitoring any impacts to the river.

The N.C. Department of Environmental Quality Division of Water Resources was notified of the event on October 19, 2018 as required by state regulations/law. For more information, contact Bob Slaughter, Superintendent of Lift Station Maintenance.

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