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2011 Wastewater System Performance Report

City of Statesville Water Resources Department

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City operates exceptional Wastewater System



We're pleased to present to you this year's Annual Wastewater System Performance Report. This report is designed to inform you about the outstanding wastewater services we provide. The City of Statesville owns and operates the City's wastewater treatment system, which is comprised of the collection system and two wastewater treatment plants.

Our mission is to treat and dispose of wastewater and residuals generated by the users in the most cost efficient manner possible; and because we are committed to environmental excellence, to do this without imposing an adverse impact on the environment.

During 2011, Statesville treated an average of 3.5 million gallons of wastewater per day. Wastewater is collected from homes, businesses and industries through approximately 240 miles of sewer lines within Statesville and the immediate area.

This wastewater is biologically treated at either the Fourth Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant (NPDES Permit NO. NC0031836) or the Third Creek Waste-water Treatment Plant (NPDES Permit No. NC0020591) under a Federal permit of the National Pollution Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Program.

Treated water must meet quality limitations set out in the permit. Failure to meet these limits is a violation of the permit and

sanctions may be imposed by the NC Division of Water Quality. In addition, the permit contains sampling, reporting and testing requirements.

The treated water is returned to the environment via a receiving stream: Third Creek or Fourth Creek. Residuals generated during treatment are processed into an alkaline product called STA-LIME that is given to local farmers at no cost. We also land apply some residuals as a Class B product under a separate Land Application Permit.

In accordance with Federal and State laws, we routinely monitor the performance of the wastewater treatment system and the treated water that is returned to the environment and the receiving stream.

The table included with this report shows the results of our monitoring for the period January 1, 2011 to December 31, 2011.

Sanitary Sewer Overflows

May 18, 2011: A spill occurred in the area of Sullivan Rd. and Free Nancy Drive because of a blocked sewer line. City crews unstopped the sewer line and removed the PVC pipe causing the obstruction. An estimated 400 gallons overflowed into the Free Nancy Branch which was also flushed.

Because of the different constituents found in the wastewater, sewer lines can become plugged or tree roots can damage the sewer lines and cause wastewater to overflow out of the collection system. The City of Statesville employs a staff of 21 to ensure that the collection system is maintained properly and the collection system spills are handled quickly. To contact the city in case of an overflow, call 704-878-3438. After working hours, call 704-878-3406.

THIRD CREEK and FOURTH CREEK

Parameter Tested	Test Frequency	Test Results
Flow (3rd Creek)	0.9 mgd	Compliant
Flow (4th Creek)	2.45 mgd	Compliant
BOD	Daily	Compliant
Total Suspended Residue	Daily	Compliant
NH3N	Daily	Compliant
Dissolved Oxygen	Daily	Compliant
Fecal Coliform*	Daily 3rd Creek exceeded weekly limit only in March; 4th Creek compliant	
Total Residual Chlorine	Daily	Compliant
pH	Daily	Compliant
Cadmium (3rd Creek only)	Weekly	Compliant
Cyanide (3rd Creek only)	Weekly	Compliant
Chronic Toxicity	Quarterly	Compliant
Mercury (4th Creek only)	Quarterly	Sep & Oct

Statesville Wastewater Treatment

If you have questions about the City's wastewater system or this report, call Jerry Byerly, Assistant Director of Water Resources, at 704-878-3438.

If you want to learn more about Statesville's wastewater system, attend any of City Council's regularly schedule meetings, first and third Monday nights each month at 7 p.m. in the council chambers of the City Hall building, 227 S. Center St. These meetings are broadcast live on the City's Government channel, cable channel 20.