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SWIMMING ADVISORY ISSUED

(LINCOLN COUNTY – 3906 Rivendell Ln, Denver, North Carolina)

The Lincoln County Health Director issued a Swimming Advisory at 11:00 pm Sunday, October 9, 2022 for a sewage spill at 3906 Rivendell Ln, Denver, North Carolina. Approximately 900 gallons of untreated sewage may have leaked into Lake Norman behind 3989 Blue Dory Ln, Denver, NC. A wastewater spill occurred due to a sewer forcemain break. The flow has been stopped and testing of the discharge site has commenced.

As a preventive measure, the Health Director is advising all residents and boaters that this area may be contaminated with fecal coliform. Residents and lake users are advised not to swim or otherwise have bodily contact in that area. No Swimming Advisory signs will be posted, a public notification message was sent to the properties affected and adjacent to the sewer spill site using a mass notification system called Everbridge, and this release has been posted to the county's website (www.lincolncounty.org).

The KCWWTP has starting taking water samples and results will be forwarded to the county Public Works department who will notify the health department and public when it is clear to resume lake activities in this area. Until at least two consecutive samples indicate fecal coliform counts <200/ml at all sampling sites, the swimming advisory will remain in effect. This decision is based on state guidelines per the Mooresville Regional Office of the NC Division of Environmental Management.

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