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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

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**WATER ACTIVITY ADVISORY ISSUED**

**(LINCOLN COUNTY – 2392 Smith Harbour Dr, Denver, North Carolina)**

The Lincoln County Health Director issued a Water Activity Advisory at 5:00 pm Friday, January 26, 2024 for a sewage spill at 2392 Smith Harbour Dr, Denver, North Carolina. Approximately 200 gallons of untreated sewage may have flowed into Lake Norman. A wastewater spill occurred due to a failure at a lift station. 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 Rave, and this release has been posted to the county's website ([www.lincolncountync.gov](http://www.lincolncountync.gov)).

The KCWWTP has started 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 Water Activity Advisory will remain in effect. This decision is based on state guidelines per the Mooresville Regional Office of the NC Division of Environmental Quality.

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