



**NEWS RELEASE**    **Mobile County Health Department**  
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**Prichard Water Works and Sewer Board reports sanitary sewage overflows**

Prichard Water Works and Sewer Board experienced multiple sanitary sewer overflows as a result of heavy rains and flooding that occurred on May 16. The locations, estimated amounts, and receiving waters are listed below.

<u>Location</u>	<u>Approximate Gallons</u>	<u>Receiving Water</u>
Patricia and Whistler streets	65,000	Gum Tree Branch
Whistler Street Pumping Station	2,500	Gum Tree Branch
Harold Clark and Whistler streets	2,000	Gum Tree Branch
Woods Street and Craft Highway (MLK)	1,500	Gum Tree Branch
West Highland Street	1,500	Gum Tree Branch

Dr. Bernard Eichold, Health Officer, Mobile County Health Department, advises area residents to take precautions when coming into contact with any standing water that may have accumulated as a result of these overflows. Individuals who have come into direct contact with untreated sewage are advised to wash their hands and clothing thoroughly. Dr. Eichold also advises area residents to take precautions if using any of the receiving waters for recreational purposes. All seafood harvested in the affected areas should be thoroughly cooked before consumption. Individuals should wash their hands after cleaning any fish or other seafood and also before preparing food.

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