

Sanitary Sewer Overflow

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The Town of Batesburg-Leesville Utilities Department experienced a Sanitary Sewer Overflow on July 18, 2022 at the following location:

Sewer right of way between Slover Street and Lawrence Circle

The overflow was released from manholes surcharged and blocked due to grease and rags. The rags appear to be "flushable wipes". The volume of the sewage released is estimated to be approximately 3,500 gallons. Town staff cleared the line by jetting the main from manhole to manhole until reaching the pump station at Alexander Street.

Mitigation of the leak included spreading of pelletized lime. Town staff will follow up with continued inspection and evaluation of the area. The area was marked with yard signs.

South Carolina DHEC has been notified. Town staff are continuing to monitor the situation and respond accordingly by providing reports to SCDHEC.