

Town of Waterloo, Indiana

Public Notification of Combined Sewer Overflow (CSO)

Beginning Date & Time: 5-11-2024 5:04 am Ending: 5/17/2024 10:15 am

Gallons of Discharge: 691,000

*Due to extended periods of rain, heavy rainfall and/or excessive snow melt, a combined sewer overflow (CSO) is occurring, or has recently occurred.*

The Town of Waterloo maintains a sanitary sewer system that is combined with storm sewers in certain areas of the Town. After completing various sewer separation projects over the last several years, less than 5% of the Town's sewers are now classified as combined sewers. During long periods of constant precipitation or periods of acute, heavy rainfall or snow melt, the sanitary sewage collection system may surcharge and a CSO may occur.

Sewage or wastewater pollution may be present in waters downstream of the Town of Waterloo Water Pollution Control Plant located at 120 South Best Street during or for several days after periods of heavy rainfall or snow melt. Cedar Creek is the receiving stream for The Town of Waterloo Water Pollution Control Plant. People who swim in, wade in, or ingest this water may get sick. Special precautions should be taken to prevent accidental or intentional ingestion of water. Bacteria levels will usually return to normal levels within 72 hours following a CSO, at which time normal recreational activities may resume.

The Town of Waterloo emphasizes that no impacts to the receiving stream occur, and no significant potential health effects related to the CSO discharge occur because the discharge is generally below all current discharge limit requirements imposed by the Town's National Pollution Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit.

For more information, contact the Waterloo Water Pollution Control Plant at (260) 837-3641.

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