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SANITARY SEWER OVERFLOW STADIUM DRIVE AT 7TH STREET

September 7, 2023, Oshtemo, Michigan, – The City of Kalamazoo Department of Public Services personnel responded immediately after being notified at 1:00 pm on September 7, 2023, that a contractor caused damage to a sanitary sewer force main resulting in a sanitary sewer overflow.

The Department of Public Services staff are currently working to repair the force main.

The City of Kalamazoo Department of Public Services, in cooperation with the Kalamazoo County Health and Community Services Department are advising all persons that may have experienced contact with the raw sewage to clean and disinfect shoes, clothes, and skin thoroughly.

As required by law, Water Reclamation Plant personnel notified the Michigan Department of Environmental, Great Lakes and Energy (EGLE) at the Kalamazoo District Office and the Kalamazoo County Environmental Health Unit of the spill.