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Public Health Advisory

Sewage spill in Rankin Inlet

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The Departments of Health and Community Government Services (CGS) are advising residents of Rankin Inlet of a sewage spill at the Johnston Cove lift station. The spill occurred at approximately 8:30 a.m. local time after the force main was damaged causing effluent to spill into Johnson Cove before passing through the Wastewater Treatment Plant.

The public is advised to avoid the area and the water. Coming in contact with sewage can expose a person to bacteria, viruses and parasites that are harmful to health and may cause disease.

CGS has contacted the Environment and Spills Action Centre and notified local associations that may be impacted. CGS staff are on site and the leak has been contained.

Updates will be given as more information is available.

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