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JCBOCC issues Public Notice of Pollution: Spring Creek

Jackson County Board of County Commissioners is providing an update to the public on its ongoing efforts to resolve a sewage spill that occurred along the Spring Creek Corridor on April 3rd, 2023. The spill has resulted in untreated sewage entering the Spring Creek waterway. The County has been actively working to contain and remediate the spill since it was first reported.

The Public Works Department has closed Spring Creek/Spring Creek Park and is working closely with state regulatory agencies to ensure that all necessary procedures are followed, and the cleanup efforts meet or exceed all regulatory standards. The County is pleased to report that progress has been made in resolving the issue, the affected areas are continuing to be assessed.

The cause and total gallon count of the spill is currently unknown. So, the department has taken several samples of surface water from Spring Creek for evaluation and testing. The results of these studies, along with an updated Public Notice of Pollution, will be available on the "Florida Department of Environmental Protection" website. https://floridadep.gov/

The County remains committed to protecting the health and safety of its residents and the environment, and it will continue to take proactive steps to prevent future spills. The County encourages residents to report any suspected sewage spills or other environmental concerns to the County immediately.

The JCBOCC would like to thank the local community for its patience and understanding during the ongoing cleanup efforts. The County will continue to provide updates to the public as new information becomes available. Residents are encouraged to visit the County's website and social media platforms for the latest updates on this and other environmental issues affecting the community.

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