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STORM RELATED SEWAGE DISCHARGES

The Westchester County Department of Health has been notified that due to the heavy rainfall, chlorinated wastewater consisting of storm water and sewage was discharged into the Long Island Sound from the Cherry Street overflow outlet and Beach Avenue overflow outlet yesterday between 8:15 am and midnight. The Cherry Street and Beach Avenue overflow outlets are utilized when the Flint Avenue and Beach Street Pump Stations are not able to handle excessive flow during heavy rain events.

The Department of Environmental Facilities has an extensive program for inflow and infiltration removal to remediate this type of situation. In addition, a stormwater retention facility is being constructed in this area to mitigate this type of event.

Separately, the City of Rye notified the Health Department untreated and highly diluted sewage was discharged into the Long Island Sound yesterday from the City of Rye's Hewlett Avenue pump station.

These events are classified as Level II spills. The following beaches were closed yesterday and today as a precautionary measure: Larchmont Manor Park Beach, Larchmont Shore Club and Oakland Beach.

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