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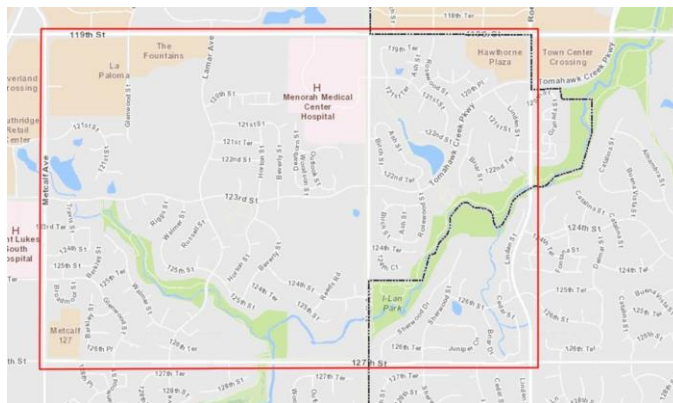
**PUBLIC HEALTH ADVISORY LIFTED**

**(JOHNSON COUNTY, Kansas – June 23)** In collaboration with Johnson County Wastewater (JCW), the Johnson County Department of Health and Environment (JCDHE) has lifted the public health advisory put in place on June 15 for residents living between 123<sup>rd</sup> Street and Metcalf and 123<sup>rd</sup>/124<sup>th</sup> Street and Roe Boulevard, in Overland Park. The advisory was due to a sanitary sewer line break that may have happened when the sanitary sewer crossing was damaged by heavy rain.

JCW posted signage in this area, monitored the location and conducted daily water quality tests on the tributary to determine when this notice could be lifted. Water quality test results indicate, as of today, June 23, that bacteria levels have returned to normal. Construction crews will remain in the area for the next few weeks replacing the existing damaged line with new pipe and encasing it in concrete to protect against damage from future extreme weather events. Wastewater flow is being temporarily pumped around the area into the downstream sanitary sewer system to maintain service to nearby customers.

We appreciate the assistance from the City of Overland Park’s stormwater division that helped identify the break, so quick action could be taken to address the leak and restore water quality.

For additional information about this sanitary sewer line break and repair, please call 913-715-8604.



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