

**Texas Commission on Environmental Quality  
Public Notification Form for Wastewater Discharges  
Information about the Discharge**

An unauthorized discharge or spill of wastewater has occurred from:

Collection System: City of Blue Ridge, Texas

Facility Name: City of Blue Ridge Wastewater Treatment Facility

Person to contact for information: Edie Sims, City Secretary

Location of spill(s): *City Wastewater Treatment Facility*

Estimated date and time of spill(s): 11/29/2019 8:00am – 11/30/2019 12:30pm

Estimated volume of spill(s)(number of gallons): 400,000 gallons

Type of Spill (domestic, industrial, other): domestic

Description of the area potentially affected, including down gradient and lateral distance from spill(s) site: The flows traveled through the storm water system approximately 1,132 feet to Pilot Grove Creek

Suspected cause of spill(s): Abundance of rain gauged at 1.04" in during Thursday to Saturday with the grounds already saturated.

**List of actions taken including but, not limited to:**

Notification of:

Appropriate local government officials: Mayor was notified at 10:01am 11/30/2019 of the potential unauthorized discharge

TCEQ Regional Office: TCEQ was notified

Containment of spill: Spill could not be contained

Increased monitoring of water supply systems: No affect to our Water System

Initiation or completion of cleanup activities: Cleanup was completed 11/30/2019. All debris was removed and area treated with HTH.

**Precautionary Statements:**

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2. Persons who purchase water from a public water supply may contact their water supply distributor to determine if the water is safe for personal use.
3. The public should avoid contact with waste material, soil, or water in the area potentially affected by the spill.
4. If the public comes into contact with waste material, soil, or water potentially affected by the spill, they should bathe and wash clothes thoroughly as soon as possible.