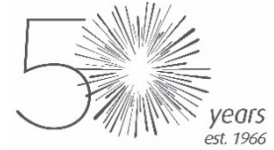




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Public Service Announcement

For Immediate Release

September 17, 2016

Clover Point Wastewater Discharge Notice – Ross Bay

Victoria, BC-- At approximately 11:30 am on Saturday September 17, 2016, unscreened sewage was discharged through the Clover Point short outfall as a result of a mechanical equipment failure. The equipment failed due to heavy rains flushing large debris through the sewer system into the pump station. The failure has since been resolved, and the pump station is now operating normally.

As a result of this discharge, residents are advised to avoid swimming or wading in waters along the Ross Bay and Clover Point area shorelines, as the wastewater may pose a health risk.

The Capital Regional District is in the process of collecting samples along the affected shorelines. As a precaution and in consultation with Island Health and the local municipalities, beaches within the affected areas will be posted with public health advisory signs until sample results indicate enterococci levels are below the 70CFU/100mL recreational limit.

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