

Notification of a Spill from a Wastewater Treatment Facility

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A spill from a wastewater treatment or collection facility has occurred.

INFORMATION ABOUT THE SPILL

Facility Name: Hays WCID No. 1, TCEQ ID No. WQ0014293001

Contact for further information: Todd Burrer, phone 713-805-9232

Location of the spill: Hays WCID No. 1 Wastewater Treatment Plant, 12930 Nutty Brown Road, Austin, TX

Estimated time and date of spill: 02/15/2021 @12:00 PM until 02/20/2021 @04:20 AM

Estimated volume of the spill (number of gallons): 120,000 gallons

Type of spill: (domestic) (industrial) (other) Explain other: Domestic

Area potentially affected: Drip fields and adjacent green belt.

Suspected cause of spill: Winter storm prevented operator from accessing plant for two days, and related power outages and fluctuations caused generators to start and stop, resulting in loss of air blanket in process water hydro tank.

THE FOLLOWING ACTIONS HAVE BEEN TAKEN:

- Appropriate local governmental officials have been notified.
- TCEQ regional office has been notified.
- The spill has been contained.
- Increased monitoring of water supply systems has been initiated.
- The cause of the spill has been corrected.
- Clean-up activities are underway/completed.
- Other Repairs to the plant are ongoing.

PERSONS MAY WISH TO TAKE THE FOLLOWING PERSONAL PRECAUTIONS

- Use only water that has been distilled or boiled at a rolling boil for at least one minute for all personal uses including drinking, cooking, bathing and tooth brushing.
- Don't swim in affected area streams, ponds or lakes.
- Always wash hands thoroughly before preparing or eating food.
- Always wash hands thoroughly after any contact with animals, soil or diapers.
- Private well owners may wish to treat their well water, have their well water tested and inspect their wells for proper siting, construction and maintenance.