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MDEQ Issues Temporary Water Advisory for Josey Creek in Oktibbeha County

(Jackson, MS) – The Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) issued a water contact advisory Tuesday for Josey Creek in Starkville, MS. The advisory extends from the Hwy 182 W crossing north to the confluence with Trim Cane Creek. MDEQ recommends that people avoid water contact recreation such as swimming or wading in these waters. In addition, people should avoid eating fish from these waters until further notice.

The advisory is issued due to a force main break that discharged untreated sewage into Josey Creek. The break has been repaired.

MDEQ staff will monitor bacteria levels and water quality and will revise the advisory as needed.

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