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**MDEQ Issues Temporary Advisory for Terrapin Skin Creek and Richland
Creek in Rankin County**

(JACKSON, Miss.) –The Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) issued a temporary water contact advisory Thursday for a section of Terrapin Skin Creek in Rankin County due to a sewage overflow. The advisory extends from the intersection of the creek with Highway 471 in Brandon down to the intersection with Richland Creek and also down Richland Creek to South Pearson Road in Pearl.

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 City of Brandon is currently investigating the area to determine where there might be a sewage overflow or a broken line. MDEQ staff will monitor bacteria levels and water quality in the creek and will revise the advisory as needed.

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