



2024-05-11 WTM 2m3 Sewage

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Please find the following information as a follow up to the Spill report submitted May 11th, 2024, by Agnico Eagle Meadowbank division. This detailed report is submitted to the Inspector in compliance with the conditions under the Nunavut Water Board License 2AM-WTP1830, Part H, Item 8c.

Spill Description

During a regular inspection of the lift station of the underground offices, an employee observed sewage pooling under the building. Upon investigation, it was discovered that the pipe support had failed, leading to the pipe breaking under its weight. Consequently, approximately 2 cubic meters of sewage leaked beneath the building.



Spill Location: 65°24'05.68"N 96°40'11.33"W (on IOL)

There were no off-site impacts or discharges. Distance to the closest water body is 430m to lake A56.

Cause of Spill

Equipment failure

Remediation Actions

A vacuum truck was deployed to extract as much liquid as possible. The contaminated snow and material were collected and brought to the Tailing Storage Facility at Meadowbank.



Corrective measures

Upon investigation, it was found that the pipe support failed due to improper hardware. A work order has been opened to inspect and replace any deficiencies in the underground office piping. Additionally, an audit of the camp's sewage piping system will be conducted over the summer to identify and replace any faulty parts.

Closure

We trust that the above details described appropriately the spill incident that occurred at the Whale Tail site on May 11th, 2024, and the cleanup activities. Please contact the undersigned should you have any questions.



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