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## News Release

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## Heavy rains cause overflow into Lake Washington from King County's Medina Pump Station

## **SUMMARY**

King County's Medina Pump Station has experienced an overflow as a result of heavy rains in the service area. The pump station is operating and the overflow is expected to end when flows subside.

## **STORY**

King County's Wastewater Treatment Division reported a sewer overflow at the Medina Pump Station, located at NE  $8^{th}$  Street and  $81^{st}$  Avenue Northeast.

The pump station is operating at full function. Large volumes of rain have exceeded the capacity of the pump station. The overflow is expected to stop when the system returns to design capacity.

King County will provide updates on this incident at <a href="http://www.kingcounty.gov/depts/dnrp/wtd/response/incident-response.aspx">http://www.kingcounty.gov/depts/dnrp/wtd/response/incident-response.aspx</a>.

King County has notified health and regulatory agencies, and is sampling water quality and posting signs warning people to avoid contact with the water over the next several days as a precaution to protect public health.

This release is also posted on the Department of Natural Resources and Parks website: <a href="http://www.kingcounty.gov/depts/dnrp/newsroom.aspx">http://www.kingcounty.gov/depts/dnrp/newsroom.aspx</a>

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