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### Hazard Warning For Yaquina Bay

On Wednesday December 28, 2022 a leak in a treated wastewater effluent pipeline necessitated the diversion of treated Wastewater Treatment Plant effluent to Yaquina Bay at 2001 SE Marine Science Drive in South Beach. The spill is approximately 50 gallons per minute. This is treated, chlorinated water however contact with treated wastewater may be hazardous to your health. Signs are posted at the spill site.

The City has notified the Department of Environmental Quality as well as the Oregon Emergency Response System and is conducting sampling of the effluent water and Yaquina Bay. The City has issued a purchase order to a contractor for repair, and repairs will commence when the weather allows.

Thank you for your patience as the City works to repair the pipeline.

For questions, please contact Erik Glover, Assistant City Manager at e.glover@newportoregon.gov

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