

Beech Mountain Sewage Spilled in Storm

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As flood waters follow the river paths down from the High Country, the flood issues from the storm system we're still under continue, with the Catawba River basin spilling over, flooding many homes near the shores and coves. But another incident from the storm in the High Country may cause some serious health concerns—a 75,600 gallon spill of untreated waste water from a pump station belonging to Beech Mountain. The town, following state law, filed a release to the public on the spill, saying that between Monday and Tuesday, the untreated waste spilled into Buckeye Creek and into the Watauga River basin. The release says the state is investigating, but there is no information about abatement or precautions for residents.