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Northtowne Estates Sewage Nuisance Abated

Defiance – Defiance County Public Health is announcing that the sewage nuisance which was identified at Northtowne Estates in October 2017, has been abated. Due to the presence of E. Coli, a nuisance and public health nuisance was declared by the Defiance County District Board of Health in October.

Immediate measures were taken within 30 days to alleviate the collection of raw sewage which was found to be a result of a faulty sewage system. A new pump at the lift station needed to be installed to fix the faulty system. Additionally, lime was applied to the back field to deactivate the E.Coli that was found there. “Receiving parts and applying lime during the winter months, was what took some time,” Health Commissioner Jamie Gerken relays.

Ms. Gerken continued, “We are happy to report that this nuisance has been resolved. We would like to thank the City of Defiance for providing assistance in pumping out this private sewage system so the issue could be addressed immediately. We would also like to thank the owner of Northtowne Estates for working with Defiance County Public Health to begin the abatement process quickly and continuing to work until the nuisance was abated. Finally, we would like to thank the residents of Northtowne Estates for providing information which aided in determining the issue and pin pointing the cause. This was a great representation of entities coming together to work collaboratively in protecting the health of the residents of Northtowne Estates.”

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