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**Wastewater Discharge at Brechin, Millstone, CP Rail Yard and Chase River  
Overflow Locations**

In a Public Notice issued on November 3, 2021, the Regional District of Nanaimo (RDN) reported that the capacity of the RDN's wastewater conveyance system was exceeded, resulting in overflow discharges of untreated wastewater into the ocean at the Brechin and Millstone locations. This morning, untreated wastewater began discharging into the ocean at two additional locations: CP Rail Yard and Chase River locations (see map). Public notices are posted at all the overflow locations alerting the public of the risk. The posted notices will be updated when the overflows end. Untreated wastewater is also leaking from several low-lying manholes. The manholes are bolted down but not watertight.

The temporary overflows are a result of ongoing construction to upgrade the wastewater conveyance system, which is causing a reduction in flow capacity, compounded by extreme and sustained wet weather events. The system will return to its full capacity once the upgrades are complete this fall. Completing the upgrades will effectively reduce the risk of future overflows.

For information about wastewater in our region, visit [rdn.bc.ca/wastewater-services](https://rdn.bc.ca/wastewater-services).

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