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PUBLIC NOTICE

Based on on-site observations made by the Lakeland Sanitary District Wastewater Treatment Plant staff and the WI DNR on July 7, 2026, the department has determined that the wastewater ultraviolet disinfection system has been damaged, either as the result of an electrical surge or physical damage sustained during construction activities. Because the treated effluent may not be adequately disinfected before discharge, there is a potential risk to public health for individuals recreating in the receiving water of the Tomahawk River. While the department acknowledges that efforts are underway to complete the necessary repairs as quickly as practicable, public notification is necessary until the disinfection system has been restored and operating adequately.

Appropriate signage is in place at public access points along the Tomahawk River of this notice. The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources has been notified of this incident. Pursuant to the requirements of NR 210, this press release is being issued regarding this event. For further information please contact the Lakeland Sanitary District office at 715-356-4454.