

Media Release

The Buckeye Brook Coalition suggests avoiding contact with waters in Buckeye Brook from Cedar Swamp Road to areas downstream, including Buckeye Brook, Mill Creek, and Conimicut Point.

A sewage discharge has occurred near Cedar Swamp Road in Warwick because of a broken sewer pipe.

The RI Department of Environmental Management and the RI Department Of Health have taken water samples. Lab results for harmful bacteria levels are pending. Once the lab results are completed, the Department of Health should issue a formal notice.

Until further notice the Buckeye Brook Coalition suggests that all recreation in these areas, including swimming, fishing, boating, and kayaking, should be avoided. People also should not ingest water or eat fish/shellfish from these areas. Pets can also be affected by exposure to the high bacteria levels and thus owners should not allow pets to drink or swim in the aforementioned waterways.

Sincerely,

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