

Interested Columbia City residents can receive an email when the City's combined sewer system is discharging into Blue River & Phillips Ditch. The Indiana Department of Environmental Management requires communities with combined sewers to provide notice when combined sewer overflows occur or are likely to occur.

If a discharge is imminent or is occurring Columbia City's Water Pollution Control Facility will notify individuals and organizations by email. If you would like to be included in this, please send your email address to [info@columbiacity.net](mailto:info@columbiacity.net) and in the subject line put CSO. Forms can also be picked up at City Hall to sign up for notifications on CSO events.

The public notification system is intended to help residents identify periods when the water may not be safe for human contact. People should avoid direct contact with the water in affected streams for 72 hours after a discharge.