



CITY OF HOT SPRINGS

Utilities Department

780 Adams Street

Hot Springs, Arkansas 71901

April 15, 2026

Sent via email

Leslie Allen-Daniel
Enforcement Analyst – Water Division
Arkansas Energy & Environment – Environmental Quality
5301 Northshore Drive
North Little Rock, AR 72118-5317

RE: City of Hot Springs Utilities
Permit No. AR0033880 / AFIN 26-00145
Progress Report – Hot Springs Creek Pump Station

Dear Ms. Allen-Daniel,

Hot Springs Creek Pump Station **Max Foote Construction of Louisiana**

Max Foote Construction has completed demolition and commenced rehabilitation activities at the Hot Springs Pump Station over the past month, with construction now nearing completion. System startup was completed Tuesday, April 14, 2026. Representatives from Crist Engineers, Eagle Electric and Cornell Pump were on-hand to resolve any pump and electrical issues during the startup.

Following commissioning, we will continue to monitor the performance of the rehabilitated system and promptly address any issues that arise. This project was undertaken to mitigate sanitary sewer overflows (SSOs) previously occurring at the pump station and at nearby manholes including 1865, 1866, 3728.

System Performance

Hot Springs Utilities reported eight SSO events at the Hot Springs Creek Pump Station and nearby Manholes in March. The first six were rain and equipment failure related. The last two were related to rehabilitation construction activities.

Should you need further information, please contact Bobby Harris at (501)651-7734 or by email at BHarris@hotspringsar.gov.

Sincerely,

Bill Burrough
City Manager

Attachment: SSO Lab Results, Public Notification & Environmental Cleanup Documentation.

cc: **City of Hot Springs** - Bill Burrough, City Manager; Denny McPhate, Deputy City Manager; Harold Mauldin, Wastewater Facilities Operations Manager; Todd Piller, Capital Projects Manager;
Consultants - Craig Johnson, Crist Engineers

MARCH 2026 SSO REPORT - Hot Springs Creek Pump Station, Manholes 1865, 1866, and 3728

Manhole 1866 – 362 Fontana Road

Overflow Date: 3/7/2026
End Date: 3/9/2026
Cause: Rain and Equipment Failure
Discharge: Approximately 697,500 gallons discharged to Hot Springs Creek
Actions Taken: Environmental Cleanup, Hydro-cleanded, Disinfected, Deodorized, Raked/picked up and Spread Lime

Manhole 1865 – 352 Fontana Road

Overflow Date: 3/7/2026
End Date: 3/9/2026
Cause: Rain and Equipment Failure
Discharge: Approximately 558,000 gallons discharged to Hot Springs Creek
Actions Taken: Environmental Cleanup, Hydro-cleanded, Disinfected, Deodorized, Raked/picked up and Spread Lime

Manhole 3728 – 107 Forest View Court

Overflow Date: 3/7/2026
End Date: 3/9/2026
Cause: Rain and Equipment Failure
Discharge: Approximately 72,000 Gallons discharged to Hot Springs Creek
Actions Taken: Environmental Cleanup, Hydro-cleanded, Disinfected, Deodorized, Raked/picked up and Spread Lime

Manhole 1865 – 352 Fontana Road

Overflow Date: 3/9/2026
End Date: 3/10/2026
Cause: Rain and Equipment Failure
Discharge: Approximately 192,000 gallons discharged to Hot Springs Creek
Actions Taken: Environmental Cleanup, Hydro-cleanded, Disinfected, Deodorized, Raked/picked up and Spread Lime

Hot Springs Creek Pump Station Wet Well - 362 Fontana Road

Overflow Date: 3/9/2026
End Date: 3/10/2026
Cause: Rain and Equipment Failure
Discharge: Approximately 240,000 gallons discharged to Hot Springs Creek
Actions Taken: Environmental Cleanup, Hydro-cleanded, Disinfected, Deodorized, Raked/Picked Up and Spread Lime

Manhole 3728 – 107 Forest View Court

Overflow Date: 3/9/2026
End Date: 3/10/2026
Cause: Rain and Equipment Failure
Discharge: Approximately 116,250 gallons discharged to Hot Springs Creek
Actions Taken: Environmental Cleanup, Hydro-cleanded, Disinfected, Deodorized, Raked/Picked Up and Spread Lime

CodeRed Issued

3/7/2026

Lab Results

Sample Date:	3/7/2026
Site No.	E. coli (cfu)
1	>2419.6

Sample Date:	3/10/2026
Site No.	E. coli (cfu)
2	>2419.6
3	2419.6
4	1732.0

Sample Date:	3/13/2026
Site No.	E. coli (cfu)
2	72.4
3	258.9
4	160.2

Sample Date:	3/16/2026
Site No.	E. coli (cfu)
2	1553.1
3	>2419.6
4	114.6

Sample Date:	3/18/2026
Site No.	E. coli (cfu)
2	46.0
3	152.9
4	95.9

Sample Date:	3/20/2026
Site No.	E. coli (cfu)
2	>2419.6
3	20.9
4	36.4

The 3/20/2026 >2419.6 results is most likely caused by the high presence of water fowl at the sample location

During rehabilitation construction the station pumps were down resulting in the unavoidable SSO events below. A CodeRed was still in place from the March 7 – 10, 2026 SSO events. Testing was continuous starting March 7 through March 26, 2026.

Manhole 1866 – 362 Fontana Road

Overflow Date: 3/17/2026
 End Date: 3/17/2026
 Cause: Construction
 Discharge: Approximately 20,000 gallons discharged to Hot Springs Creek
 Actions Taken: Environmental Cleanup, Hydro-cleanded, Disinfected, Deodorized, Raked/Picked Up and Spread Lime

Manhole 1866 – 362 Fontana Road

Overflow Date: 3/18/2026
 End Date: 3/19/2026
 Cause: Construction
 Discharge: Approximately 135,000 gallons discharged to Hot Springs Creek
 Actions Taken: Environmental Cleanup, Hydro-cleanded, Disinfected, Deodorized, Raked/picked up and Spread Lime

Code Red Cancelled: 3/26/2026

Lab Results

Sample Date:	3/17/2026
Site No.	E. coli (cfu)
1	2419.6

Sample Date:	3/18/2026
Site No.	E. coli (cfu)
2	46.0
3	152.9
4	95.9

Sample Date:	3/20/2026
Site No.	E. coli (cfu)
2	>2419.6
3	20.9
4	36.4

Sample Date:	3/24/2026
Site No.	E. coli (cfu)
2	111.2
3	13.2
4	16.1

Sample Date:	3/25/2026
Site No.	E. coli (cfu)
2	21.8
3	6.3
4	18.5

The 3/20/2026 >2419.6 results is most likely caused by the high presence of water fowl at the sample location

CodeRed/Public Notification

Signs place on 3/7/2026 – Removed on 3/26/2026



620 Grand Point Drive



316 Star Drive 3



236 River View Point



240 Matthews [

Environmental Cleanup – 3/12/2026

Manhole 1865 – 352 Fontana Street - is near the Pump Station enclosure.



Manhole 1865 - 352 Fontana Road Before Cleanup



Manhole 1865 - 352 Fontana Road During Cleanup



Manhole 1865 - 352 Fontana Road During Cleanup



Manhole 1865 - 352 Fontana Road After Cleanup

Environmental Cleanup – 3/12/2026

Manhole 1966 – 362 Fontana Street is within the Hot Springs Pump Station enclosure.



362 Fontana – Before Cleanup



362 Fontana – Before Cleanup



362 Fontana – Before Cleanup



362 Fontana – During Cleanup

Environmental Cleanup – 3/12/2026



362 Fontana – During Cleanup



362 Fontana – During Cleanup



362 Fontana – During Cleanup



362 Fontana – During Cleanup

Environmental Cleanup – 3/12/2026



362 Fontana – After Cleanup



362 Fontana – After Cleanup



362 Fontana – After Cleanup



362 Fontana – After Cleanup