#### Monthly Spill Totals As Reported to NCDEQ

All overflows and violations have been corrected and reported to the State of NC. No environmental impacts or fish kills occurred with these events.

Jan	0	May	0	Sep	0
Feb	0	Jun	0	Oct	0
Mar	54,300	Jul	950	Nov	0
Apr	1,745	Aug	3,000	Dec	0

# ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMS AND SERVICE INITIATIVE

As part of a commitment to support educational awareness and promote better learning, Shelby offers tours of the wastewater treatment plant to various interest groups. For a tour of the plant, contact the Wastewater Plant Supervisor at 704-484 -6850.

### FATS, OILS AND GREASE PROGRAM

Grease is a leading cause of sewer blockages and overflows in the sewer system and can lead to sewer back-ups into homes. The

City urges residents to help our fight against grease:

- Never pour grease down the drain.
- Scrape grease and food scraps into the trash.
- Use sink strainers to prevent food scraps from going down the drain.

The Fats, Oil and Grease (FOG) Program seeks to reduce these occurrences by education to the public on how to prevent grease from entering the sewer system.

Special emphasis has been placed on food service establishments, but we all need to do our part to keep grease out of the sewer system. For more information on our program, contact the Pretreatment Coordinator at 704-484-6850.

Brochure Number: WWT1003-000

#### INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS

## **Sewer Collections System**

- Manhole Replacements 6 manholes
- Sewer Replacement & Repairs
  - ◆ South Morgan Street Manhole & Line Repair (20 LF)
  - ♦ Rocky Creek Aerial Replacement (48 LF)
  - ♦ Randolph Road Aerial Pier Replacement
  - Leander St & Elmwood Dr Sewer Replacement (290 LF & 3 Manholes)
  - ◆ Pamela Drive Sewer Line Replacement (155 LF)
- Sewer Extensions
  - E Dixon Blvd Sewer Extension (166 LF & 2 Manholes)
  - College Ave Sewer Extension (950 LF & 7 Manholes)
- Sewer Point Repairs Various point repairs identified by assessments or by staff.

## **Wastewater Treatment Plant**

 Biosolids Handling Improvements - \$18 Million dollar project to upgrade the Biosolids Handling Facility. Project was completed in early 2021.

#### **COPIES OF THIS REPORT ARE AVAILABLE AT:**

- City Hall: 300 South Washington Street
- Utilities Operations Center: 824 West Grover Street
- First Broad River Wastewater Treatment Plant: 1940
   South Lafayette Street
- On the City's website: <a href="www.cityofshelby.com">www.cityofshelby.com</a>
   For more detailed information, contact the Director of Water Resources, David Hux at 704-484-6840 or <a href="david.hux@cityofshelby.com">david.hux@cityofshelby.com</a>.

I certify under penalty of law that this report is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I further certify that this report has been made available to the users or customers of the named system and that those users have been notified of its availability.

Adam Howell

Field Operations Crew Supervisor/



# ANNUAL SYSTEM PERFORMANCE REPORT 2021



## **Facility Information:**

First Broad River Wastewater Treatment Plant 1940 South Lafayette Street Shelby, North Carolina 28152

#### Permits:

Collection System: WQCS00037
Wastewater Treatment: NC0024538
Compost Facility: WQ0007780
Laboratory Certification: 238
WWTP Stormwater Permit: NCG110040
Class B Land Application: WQ0042031

City of Shelby Utilities 824 West Grover Street Shelby, North Carolina 28150

#### SYSTEM OVERVIEW

The City of Shelby wastewater collection and treatment system serves a customer base of 8,449 residential, commercial, and industrial users. During last year, the First Broad River Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) collected and treated an average of 3.4 million gallons per day (MGD); included in this flow is wastewater from Kingstown and Fallston.

The sewer collection system consists of gravity sewer lines, lift stations, and force mains that convey wastewater to the First Broad River WWTP. The City owns and maintains 219.8 miles of gravity sewer and force main lines with twenty (20) lift stations. The City of Shelby also maintains the sewer collection systems for the Town of Fallston and the Town of Kingstown.



**Aerial View of the First Broad River WWTP** 

#### WHAT IS WASTEWATER?

Wastewater is sewage from your home's sinks, toilets, bathtubs, and washing machines. People also create wastewater at work. Offices, businesses and manufacturers create not only domestic wastewater, but also can create wastewater combined with the discharge associated with manufacturing processes or services.

The City of Shelby's collection system and lift stations direct the flow of the wastewater to the First Broad River WWTP for treatment. The First Broad River WWTP is located on South Lafayette Street.

#### **HOW DO WE TREAT WASTEWATER?**

Wastewater treatment plants clean our wastewater and prevent pollution from getting into the environment. When wastewater enters our 6 MGD facility,

bar screens catch and remove trash and large objects. Grit chambers then remove heavy particles like gravel, sand, seeds, and coffee grounds. The wastewater then flows through large settling tanks called clarifiers where heavy solids settle to the bottom and are removed. After the primary clarifiers, the liquid portion flows into the aeration basin where microorganisms breakdown the pollutants.

The wastewater then flows into final clarifiers where the microorganisms settle out and are returned to the basins. The flow is disinfected before the treated water is returned to the First Broad River.

The solids, which have been removed from the process, are pumped to anaerobic digesters where they are held, mixed and are heated for treatment. Once treatment requirements are met, the solids are stored until they can be dewatered through belt pressing operations. The de-watered cake solids are stored and eventually land applied as a Class B biosolids (fertilizer) on permitted farm land.

#### **COLLECTION SYSTEM MAINTENANCE**

The Field Operations Division maintains collection system pipes and lines in order to prevent sanitary sewer overflows (SSOs) and keep wastewater flowing through the collection system to the treatment plant for treatment. During this report year, 28.12 miles of sewer lines (12.8%) were cleaned by rodding/jetting/bucket cleaning, 12.06 miles of sewer lines (5.5%) were videoed to inspect sewer lines for problems, and the City acoustic tested 3.81 miles for blockages. During the year, Field Operations also conducted inspections of 147 exposed aerial crossings and also performed maintenance of sewer right -of-ways. Field Operations is responsible for installation of sewer connections and also perform repairs to problematic connections, lines and manholes. Smoke testing is also performed to determine sources of inflow and infiltration.

Plant Maintenance conducts inspections of all lift stations and performs both preventative and corrective maintenance on the stations and the force mains. The City's lift

stations are equipped with alarm systems and are served with back-up generation (either permanent or portable capabilities).

Dumping waste into the City's manholes without permission is illegal. Residents can report suspicious activity, sewer overflows and other sewer issues any time by dialing (704) 484-6866.

#### **COMPLIANCE SUMMARY**

The City of Shelby's First Broad WWTP has permit limits and monitoring requirements regulated by the North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality (NCDEQ). During the year thousands of samples are collected and analyzed to document compliance and to monitor plant operations.

# WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT COMPLIANCE

No violations during 2021

NCDEQ requires all wastewater collection and treatment systems to annually report to its customers all sanitary sewer overflows, violations of state-issued permit limits and reporting requirements. The following overflows and violations occurred from January 2021 through December 2021.

#### **SANITARY SEWER OVERFLOWS**

# Spills Greater Than 1,000 Gallons Reaching Surface Water

<u>Date</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Gallons</u>	<u>Cause</u>
3/25/2021	1902 Randolph Rd	2,400	TR
3/26/2021	703 Hanover Dr	1,400	TR
3/26/2021	1600 Linton Barnette Dr	50,500	TR
4/4/2021	1716 Arbor Way Dr	1,000	R/D
8/11/2021	1208 Pamela Dr	3,000	PF

TR—Torrential Rain \* R/D—Roots/Debris \*
PF—Pipe Failure