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Missouri and Big Sioux Rivers' Update #14

Union County Emergency Management Press Release:

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UCEMA is observing water levels continue to slowly recede on the Big Sioux River and the Missouri River.

The National Weather service has outlined a favorable 5-7 day forecast which includes moderate temperatures and no projected (at this time) impactful rainfalls that will affect the Missouri River basin. The current releases from Gavin's Point Dam remain at 80,000 cubic feet per second. That release level has reached the Siouxland area and we continue to see water levels decreasing as water flows down river.

The levee system and temporary protection barriers along the Big Sioux River and Missouri River continue to carry a heavy burden of water levels and have received additional measures to increase their ability to keep the water in the river.

As the water levels continue to decrease, we continue encourage you to be aware of the possibility that conditions can change without notice. Please continue to be prepared by having emergency plans in place.

If you have any questions – Email: ucemasd@unioncountysd.org

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Ground water will continue to be an issue. The daily monitoring well readings can be found on Dakota Dunes Community Improvement District website at: <https://dakotadunes.com/local-government/2019-river-information/>

- The sanitary sewer system will only be shut down if the river breaches the protection in residential areas to preserve the infrastructure.
- We do not believe water, gas and electric will be impacted at this time.
- We recommend floor drains remain in place.
- There is rain in the forecast the next three days, please leave your irrigation systems off.
- Please check on your elderly neighbors as they may not get notices electronically.

NWS Missouri River Projection can be found at

<https://water.weather.gov/ahps2/hydrograph.php?wfo=fsd&gage=sscn1>

Big Sioux River Projection can be found at

<https://water.weather.gov/ahps2/hydrograph.php?wfo=fsd&gage=sxci4>

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<https://dakotadunes.com/local-government>

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