Beaufort–Jasper Water & Sewer Authority
Savannah River Release Response

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River

Purpysburg Water Treatment Plant

18-mile canal

River pump station

Chelsea Water Treatment Plant
Release Event

- Use release information to determine treatment options.
- If release substance cannot be removed by our treatment processes
  - Turn off river pumps.
  - Use water in reservoirs and canal until release passes.
  - 10–13 days of water in reservoirs and canal.
Release Event – Customer Notification

- Press release on safety of treated water
  - Newspaper, TV, radio.
  - Established contacts with local media outlets.
- Press Conferences
  - Regular media briefings by email.
  - BJWSA website, social media updates.
  - Talking points to BJWSA employees.
- Public Information Officer
- Crisis Communication Plan
Questions?