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On March 7, 2024, at 12:00 p.m., a sanitary sewer force main failure at the 1070 Forest Park Sanitary Sewer Lift Station was identified. The cause of the failure was due to a defect in the pipe. The failure caused a Sanitary Sewer Overflow (SSO) to occur, affecting approximately 200 square feet of area within the road right of way, infiltration of the City's storm sewer system, and Mona Lake. The failure occurred again on March 8, 2024, at 8:30 a.m. Approximately 1,500 gallons of domestic sanitary sewer was estimated to have been discharged onto the ground, with about 150 gallons leaked into the storm system and Mona Lake. Upon discovery, the failed force main was isolated immediately, and repairs commenced within the hour. Restoration of the affected area is complete, including disinfection of the area.

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