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State of Emergency Declared

The City of Yorkton declared a state of emergency this morning due to continuing heavy rains and high water tables that are overtaxing the city sanitary and storm water systems. City Staff are on the job to alleviate problems wherever possible.

Residents are asked to help out with this serious situation by redirecting sump pumps outside their homes and not to pump directly into the sanitary system, wherever possible. Residents are also asked to avoid driving through large standing pools of water on streets as backwash may affect the adjacent homes.

"The improvements to our storm water system, including the city's three new storm water detention ponds are helping to reduce damages considerably," said Mayor Bob Maloney.

City Emergency Numbers to call and report problems are:

306 828-2490

306-828-2491

306-828-2494

306-828-2495

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