

Blackwater Spills Into Peachtree Creek
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Officials not certain what caused the spill.

NAOMA -- West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection inspectors were at the site of a Raleigh County blackwater spill Monday that affected seven miles of stream, according to a release from the DEP.

DEP inspectors issued an imminent harm cessation order to Peachtree Mining for the spill into Peachtree Creek, a tributary of Marsh Fork of the Big Coal River, the release said.

The order prohibits the company from operating until a sediment pond is cleaned out, the release said.

The spill was reported to the agency's spill hotline Monday morning. The cause of the spill is unknown.

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