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[DULUTH] The collapsed section of 15-inch sanitary sewer pipe that caused a sanitary sewer leak into Chester Creek on 10/2 has been replaced. The repair was completed on Wednesday, with much of yesterday and today dedicated to site clean-up. The bypass installed to mitigate the overflow will be kept in place while contractors install a cured-in-place pipe liner over the next couple of weeks. The public may notice staff and equipment in the area for the duration of that work as a result.

The last-noted sanitary sewer overflow in this incident was Friday, October 4. No sewage has entered Chester Creek since that overflow. While the City of Duluth does not ever guarantee the quality or safety of a natural body of water, signage alerting the public of the sewage overflow is being removed from the area. The public should continue to use its own best judgment in making contact with any natural body of water, including Chester Creek.

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