# DEP BUSINESS PORTAL SANITARY SEWER OVERFLOW REPORTING TOOL

This document is designed to guide wastewater facilities through reporting Sanitary Sewer Overflows to the Florida Department of Environmental Protection through the DEP Business Portal.



Florida Department of Environmental Protection Division of Water Resource Management, Water Compliance and Enforcement Program

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## Introduction

Wastewater incidents, including Sanitary Sewer Overflows (SSO), can pose a threat to the environment and public health. Immediate and accurate reporting of these spills is essential to minimizing this impact. When a wastewater facility, or a collection system owned by a wastewater facility, experiences a spill of 1,000 gallons or greater, they are required to report it as soon as practical, but no later than 24 hours after discovery, to the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) through a toll-free, 24-hour hotline known as the State Watch Office (800-320-0519). Citizens are also encouraged to report any suspected wastewater incidents to the toll-free number. Please note that a utility which experiences a spill less than 1,000 gallons is only required to report such an incident to DEP by notifying their appropriate District Office.

To streamline this data reporting, DEP has created an SSO Reporting Tool available through the DEP <u>Business</u> <u>Portal</u>.

The process outlined below does <u>not</u> replace the required call to the State Watch Office, but *does* allow the facility to simultaneously submit a Public Notice of Pollution. It also notifies the appropriate DEP District Office of the spill through an automated email. It will also automatically notify the appropriate County Health Department if the overflow occurs within one mile of a healthy beaches monitoring location.

In order to submit an SSO report/PNP report, the user must be registered and have a PIN through the DEP Business Portal. Some wastewater facilities may already have an employee registered for this if the facility submits DMRs using EzDMR. If not, the Registration Process for the DEP Business Portal is outlined below.

#### **Registration Process**

- Go to the DEP Business Portal: <u>http://www.fldepportal.com/go/</u>
- Click on "Register" to establish an account

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	to the amental Protection's Business Po	
I would like to:		
Apply	S Pay	Sign Up
To build, repair, operate, discharge, see more	For fees, invoices, park reservations, see more	For subscriptions, newsletters, notifications, see more.
🔍 View	Submit	Continue
Maps, data, reports,	Applications for grants and rebates, AGP Admin. Correction, leave feedback, see more.	A partially completed business transaction

Complete the Registration Form:

BUSINESS PORTAL	DEP Portal Enterprise Solutions
Home * Register Register - If you're already - - If you'r already -	
City": State": Zip Code": Phone Number": In the event you forge Security Question": Security Answer":	ir password, enter a question and answer only known to you: lect a Question

Once the Registration Form is completed in the Business Portal, an email will be sent to the user. Follow these instructions to obtain a PIN:

- Click on the link in the email (see screenshot below) to complete registration
- Download the Electronic Subscriber Agreement PDF form
- Print the form and complete it
- Have the form notarized
- Mail the hardcopy form to the Department's ESA Processing group

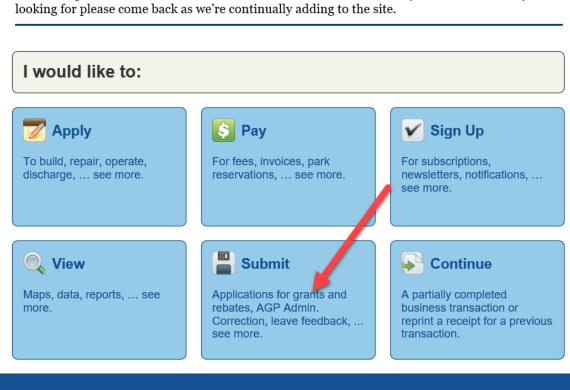
The PIN will provide the ability to sign electronically within the Business Portal.

	Florida Department of Environmental Protection
	Environmental Protection
	Bob Martinez Center 2600 Blair Stone Road Tallahassee, Florida 32399-2400
FDE	P Business Portal Registration Confirmation
	Website: http://www.fidepportal.com.
Hello E2DMR User: Thank you for registering with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection's Internet Business Por https://webspos.dep.state.fl.us/DepPortal/account/verifyEmail?confirmationid=25d2xmk7171af6cde9142	tal. To complete your registration and set your password, please verify your email address by clicking the link below. d776w315
Verify E-mail   DEP Business Portal	
webapps.dep.state.fl.us	
The DEP Business Portal is an open door for residents, local governments and the private sector to find info	prmation and transact business with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection.

# Navigating to the Submission Screen

Home

Use the navigation tools below to access the screens needed to submit a report:

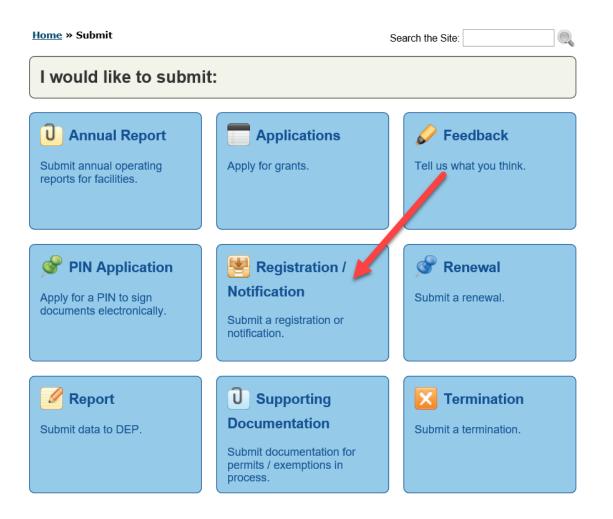


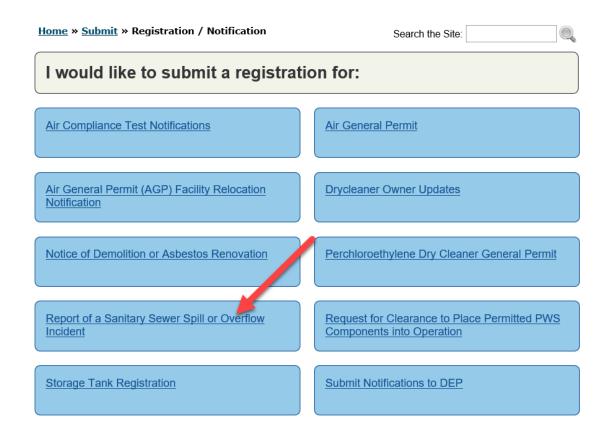
Welcome to the Florida Department of Environmental Protection's Business Portal. If you don't find what you're

Search the Site:

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# Submitting a Sanitary Sewer Spill or Overflow Incident

nitiate your PIN request.	ic signature. You will need to be approved for a PIN before completing this process. Please click Apply for PIN to
You are processing :	Report of a Sanitary Sewer Spill or Overflow Incident (Spill Incident)
Which is defined as :	Any unauthorized release or spill of Domestic or Industrial wastewater to surface or ground waters of the state from collection/transmission systems or due to abnormal events
Florida Statute or Rule :	62-620.610, F.A.C. 62-604.550, F.A.C. Section 403.077 F.S.
Application Friendly Name : *	
f you need to access an incomplete submi	oject that will be displayed in the event that you need to stop and continue later. ssion, when you return to the Portal, choose "Continue", then "An Incomplete Self Service Authorization" and the with any other submittals you have in process.
An example would be "Spill Incident 8-20-2	2016" or "Update to Spill Incident 8-20-2016".
f you are updating a previously reported In ncident later in the process.	cident, you must use a new Application Friendly Name. You will be given the opportunity to search for and find your
This system should be used only by persor	nel affiliated with or employed by a wastewater facility or collection system.

Enter an Application Friendly Name in the space shown above. If updating a previously reported incident, a *new* Application Friendly Name must be used. The DEP Business Portal will not accept any duplicate names. There will be an opportunity to find the previously reported incident later in the process. It is recommended that the Application Friendly Name contain the facility ID and date of the incident being reported.

Please note that a report must be completed within 15 days or it will be voided, and a new report must be filed. Emails will be sent to the Incident Reporter (the user submitting the report) during this timeframe as a reminder to complete the report.

Home Process Report Type	Help About
Please select the choice that best fits your situation : *	<ul> <li>I would like to report a new Spill Incident, and have NOT submitted a Public Notice of Pollution</li> <li>I would like to report a new Spill Incident, but have already submitted a Public Notice of Pollution</li> <li>I would like to update a previously reported Spill Incident</li> </ul> Save and Go to Next Step

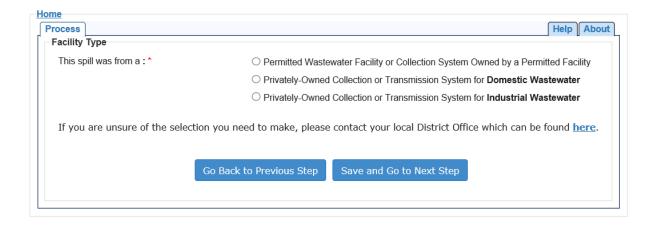
The above screen shows the options for the type of report. Selecting the first option will allow the user to submit both a new Spill Incident and the required Public Notice of Pollution (PNP) at the same time. If either of the other options are selected, the user will be required to provide the DEP Incident Number assigned to their previous spill or PNP submission. The DEP Incident Number is always found in the email received from DEP and appears as below:

ALL DESCRIPTION	FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF Environmental Protection	Ron DeSantis Governor	
	Bob Martinez Center 2600 Blair Stone Road	Jeanette Nuñez Lt. Governor	
TRAINITAL TIPLE	Tallahassee, Florida 32399-2400	Noah Valenstein Secretary	
	<b>Receipt for Submission</b>		
This is from a test webs	site. The real website is available at <u>http://wy</u>	ww.fldepportal.com.	
	Sanitary Sewer Overflow Reporting		
Thank you for submitting a Report of a Sanitary Sewer Spill or Overflow Incident in accordance with 62-620.610 and/or 62-604.550, F.A.C. You have indicated that this is the final closeout report for this incident.			
Your DEP Incident ID is <b>15574</b> . Please use this ID during any future correspondence with the Department concerning this incident.			
Type of Notice: Initial Report Date of Notice: 07/26/2019			

Choose the last option if the Spill Incident needs to be updated or completed. Instructions can be found under the "Update Incident" section.

# **Facility Search**

Choose the correct selection below:



Once Facility Type has been chosen, the facility can be found using the search screen below:

Home	
Process	[Help] About
Facility Search	
Please enter any of the following: Facility ID, name of	f the facility, the name of the street the facility is located on, the zip code of the facility, or the city name.
You must fill in at least one field.	
Facility ID is an exact search. An example of a Facilit	ty ID is FLUP12345 or FLSS54321.
For all other terms, no special characters (*, %, etc.)	are required for "wild card" searches.
Do not enter the full address or city prefix.	
City example: If the city is Fort Myers, simply enter "N	Myers".
Street example: If the authority is located at 123 Nort	th Elm Street, enter "Elm" and the zip code.
Facility ID :	
Facility Name :	
Street Name :	
Zip Code :	
City :	
Go	Back to Previous Step Search and Continue

#### Search Criteria

At least one field should be populated for the Facility Search. The Facility ID field is an exact search. The Facility ID must be entered without the dash or final three numbers. An example of a Facility ID is: FLA012345.

For all other terms, no special characters (\*, %, etc.) are required for "wild card" searches.

Do not enter the full address or city prefix.

City example: If the city is Fort Myers, simply enter "Myers."

Street example: If the authority is located at 123 North Elm Street, enter "Elm" and the zip code.

#### Search Results

Select the facility from the list provided. If a new search is needed, select **Search Again** to be directed to the *Facility Search* screen. If the facility is not in the list, it is possible to select, "I need to create a new facility" and **Continue** to enter the necessary information for the facility. <u>Please note that adding a new facility does NOT</u> constitute a request for or issuance of a DEP permit for this facility.

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		Authoriza	ation Process			Help Abou
Report Type 🧭	)     ·	- Facility	Search-WAFR-Sear	ch Results		
Search for Incident 🔵			elect your facility by need to <b>Search A</b>			
Update Incident 😑		, e aa		<b></b>		
Facility Type 🧭		Select One	Facility Name	Facility Address	City/State/Zip	Permittee
Facility Search 🔵		۲	Facility Name 1	Address 1	City, State Zip	Permittee 1
Reporting Party Information 💽		0	Facility Name 2	Address 1	City, State Zip	Permittee 2
Incident Address 🕢		0	Facility Name 3	Address 1	City, State Zip	Permittee 3
Incident Location 👔		Total R	ecords: 3			
Incident Information 👔						
In dent Contact 👔						
Incident Cleanup 👔						
Incident Notification 🕡						
Incident Migration 🔵						
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Supporting Documentation 🔵						
Review Information 🕡						
Signature 🕡						
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## **Creating New Facility for Report**

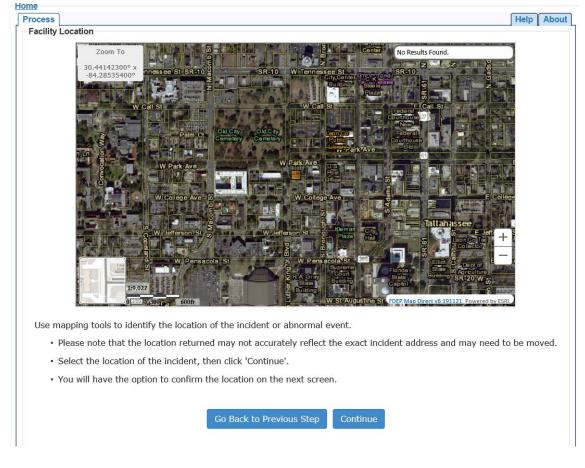
If the facility cannot be found, or there is not a facility ID associated with the spill, there is an option to create a new facility to be used for the purposes of reporting the spill. This process does NOT constitute a request for or issuance of a DEP permit for this facility. On the screen below, choose the radio button to select "I need to create a new facility."

request for	<u>ed to create a new facility</u> " ar or issuance of a DEP Permit f		Please note that this process does NOT constitute
Select One	Facility Name	Facility Address	City/State/Zip
0	I need to create a new facility		
Fotal Record	ls : 1		

The next screen will collect information about the facility before moving on to the next step, Facility Location.

# **Facility Location**

Use the mapping tools to identify the location of the incident:



#### Map Navigator:



The map navigator located in the bottom right corner of the map allows you to move around the map. Hovering over any tool in the navigator will provide a tool tip describing the icon.

Panning — You can pan around on the map by clicking the four directional arrows. Alternatively, you can click on the map and drag with your left mouse button.

Zooming — You can zoom in or out on the map by clicking the blue plus or minus icons at the bottom of the navigator.

Map Scale — The current map scale is displayed at the bottom of the map (e.g., 1:2500). Zooming in or out on the map will change the map scale. Additionally, you can adjust the map scale by moving the vertical slider on the right side of the navigator.

## **Reporting Party Information**

On this screen, enter the reporting party's information:

Full Name : *	
Title:*	
Phone:*	
E-Mail:*	
I am the : *	Operator of the Facility/Installation
	Owner of the Facility/Installation
	Other
If Other, please enter :	

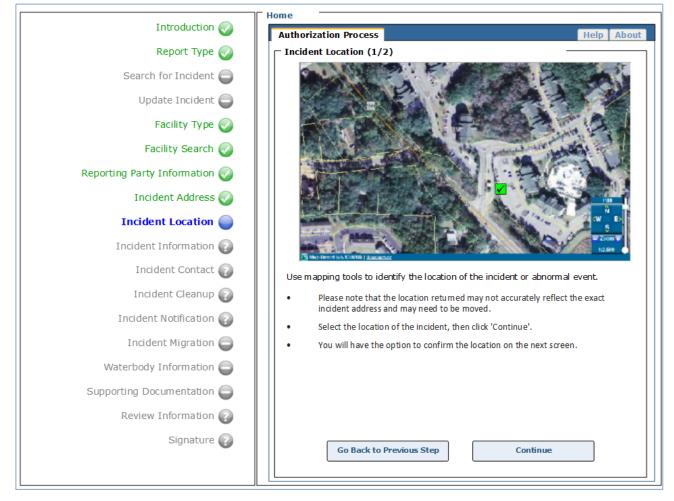
#### Incident Address and Incident Location

On the next few screens, enter the address and location of the incident. Once again, the location will be chosen using the mapping tools and confirmed on the following page. This location information should reflect the location of the spill incident. The screen below requires the zip code, city and state:

Ta bas du stian	Home
In troduction 🥥	Authorization Process Help About
Report Type 🧭	Incident Address
Search for Incident 🔵	Please enter or update location of the incident. You must enter information into either "Address Line 1" or "Directions or nearest
Update Incident 🔵	cross-street".
Facility Type 🥥	Address Line 1:
Facility Search 🥥	Address Line 2: Directions or nearest cross-
Reporting Party Information 🥪	street:
Incident Address 🥥	Zip Code: *
Incident Location 😱	State: *
Incident Information 😱	
Incident Contact 🕢	
Incident Cleanup 👔	
Incident Notification 🜍	
Incident Migration 🤤	
Waterbody Information 🌍	
Supporting Documentation 🌍	
Review Information 😱	
Signature 🕡	Go Back to Previous Step Save and Go To Next Step

The location of the incident should be chosen on the map. If a full address was entered on the previous screen, the map should be at approximately that address. If directions or cross-street information was entered, the map will be at the center of the zip code you entered.

The Identify popup displays information about the selected area on the map.



#### **Incident Information**

This screen will ask for specific details concerning the incident, including date, time, cause, characteristics, and other detailed information. Please fill in as accurately as possible. It will be possible to update this information later if needed. This information should reflect what was reported to the State Watch Office.

Introduction 🕢	Home	
	Authorization Process Help About	
Report Type 🧭	Incident Information	
Search for Incident 🖨	Please provide or update the following information for this Incident:	
	DEP Incident ID:	
Update Incident 🤤	Incident Name: *	
Facility Type 🕢	Incident Start Date: * MM/DD/YYYY	
Facility Search 🕢	Incident Start Time (Hours):	
	Incident Start Time (Minutes):	
Reporting Party Information 🧭	Description of Incident: *	
Incident Address ⊘	Wastewater Characteristics: *Please Select	
Incident Location 🕢	Cause: *Please Select 🗸	
	Is the Incident On-Going?: * OYes ONo	
Incident Information 🥥	If Yes, please update this report when the Incident has stopped.	
Incident Contact 😱	Incident End Date: MM/DD/YYYY	
Incident Cleanus	Incident End Time (Hours):	
Incident Cleanup 👔	Incident End Time (Minutes): MM 🗸	
Incident Notification 🕢	The Spill Volume is: * O Known O Unknown	
Incident Migration 🖨	Spill Volume, if known (in gallons):	
	Volume Recovered (in gallons): *	
Waterbody Information 🖨	Did this incident result in the discharge of	
Supporting Documentation 🔵	wastewater into surface waters of the State?: * OUnknown	
Review Information	Has the impact of the incident migrated outside the OYes property boundaries of where the initial spill occurred?: * ONO	
Signature 🕡	I would like to upload supporting OYes documentation as part of my report: * ONo	
	Go Back to Previous Step Save and Go to Next Step	

# Incident Cleanup

This screen asks for specific details of the incident cleanup. Clean-up Status must be chosen – is the incident clean-up Complete, In Progress, None Started, None Needed, or Planned? What clean up actions have been taken to date?

Home		
Process	Help About	
Incident Cleanup		
Clean-up Status : *	Please Select	
Clean-up Actions :	□ Vacuumed/pump truck	
	Applied disinfectant	
	Applied lime	
	Applied HTH/chlorine	
	□ Applied absorbents	
	□ Washed down area	
	Water samples taken	
	□ Raked and disposed of debris	
	□ Signs posted	
	□ Other	
If other, please specify :		
Go Back to Previous Step Save and Go to Next Step		

# **Incident Notification**

This screen allows the user to add their State Watch Office report number and to report a PNP. The SWO Report Number can be found on the Incident report received from the SWO:

# Florida Division of Emergency Management State Watch Office Incident Report

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Main Information	
Report #: 2019-6591 Status: Closed	
Assigned To: DEP / James Mullin	
Reported to SWO on: 11/23/2019 12:05 ET	
Severity: Local Incident	

Choosing to create a PNP at this stage will prevent the need to submit one separately. Be sure to choose Yes on the screen below to submit a PNP. The PNP will be created automatically from the information provided. A submitted PNP can be found at this website: <u>https://floridadep.gov/pollutionnotice</u>

Process	Help About
Incident Notification	
If you have already notified the State Watch Office, please enter the full ID of the Incident (YY	YY-#### ). Please do not enter dash (-).
SWO Report Number :	
It does not appear that you have submitted a Public Notice of Pollution to DEP. You can submitted as select Yes for the question below. <b>NOTE:</b> If you select "Yes", please do <u>NOT</u> submit or e-mail a Public Notice of Pollution form to duplicate notifications being sent.	
Would you like to submit a Public Notice of Pollution O Yes	
for this Incident? : * O No	
Are you submitting your final five-day report with this $$\bigcirc$ ${\sf Y}_{\sf PS}$$	
submission? : * O No	
If yes, you can either provide the complete final report by updating your Incident Report or you	u may choose to upload a copy of the final report.
If you have notified any other person(s) or agency (ies), please list them here :	
Go Back to Previous Step Save and	d Go to Next Step

#### Waterbody Information

On this screen, any receiving surface waterbodies can be identified. The receiving waterbody is any surface waterbody, such as a lake, river or stream, into which the spill has discharged. Please identify them on this screen by clicking "Add New Receiving Waterbody" here:

Help About			
kisting waterbody,			
You haven't entered any Receiving Waterbodies.			
Add New Receiving Waterbody			
Go Back to Previous Step Save and Go to Next Step			

On the next screen, choose the appropriate receiving waterbodies.

#### Supporting Documentation

If "Yes" was previously chosen on the Incident Information screen for the question, "I would like to upload supporting documentation as part of my report," the Supporting Documentation screen will appear. If there is no supporting documentation to be added, this can be removed by navigating back to the Incident Information screen and selecting "No." If there is supporting documentation to be added, it can be added by entering a brief file description, saving, and then using the Browse function to add the file:

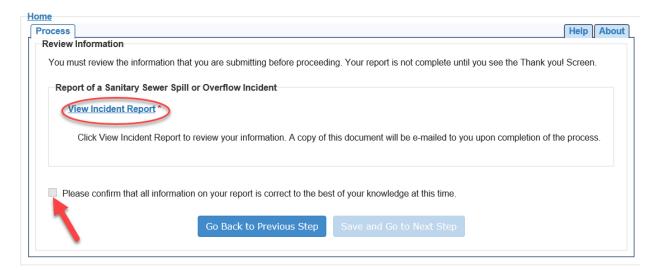
Home	
Process	Help About
Supporting Documentation	
document from your computer, and then the loa	rompted to navigate to the location on your computer where the relevant file has been saved. Please select the d process will begin when you click on the <b>Continue</b> button below. if, bmp, pdf, png, tiff, xls and xlsx. Please note that each file has a size limitation of 5MB. Supporting Docs Browse
	Go Back Continue

If needed, the file can also be removed, using the Red X circled below:

lome	
Process	Help About
Supporting Documentation	
	the will be prompted to navigate to the location on your computer where the relevant file has been saved. Please select the the load process will begin when you click on the <b>Continue</b> button below.
Acceptable file types are: doc, docx, j	peg, jpg, gif, bmp, pdf, png, tiff, xls and xlsx. Please note that each file has a size limitation of 5MB.
Upload Supporting Documentation	
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Select File : *	
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	Go Back Continue

#### **Review Information**

Before the report can be submitted, the Incident Report should be reviewed. This Incident Report will be emailed to the email address provided for the Incident Reporter. To view the document, click "View Incident Report" below. Next, click the box to confirm that the information is correct:



#### Signature

Now the Incident Reporter will electronically sign the report by clicking the button stating that the reporter agrees with the electronic report. The next screen, as shown below, shows that the report has been submitted. The Incident Reporter will then receive an email from the Business Portal, which includes the DEP Incident number that will be needed to update or complete the report.

Home	
Process	Help About
Thank You!	
You have completed the submission process for reporting a Sanitary Sewer Spill or	Overflow Incident.
Thank you for using the DEP Business Portal. We would appreciate your feedback. Please take our survey.	
Done	

# Updating an Incident

If the two last options on the screen below are chosen, the user will have the ability to update a previously reported Spill Incident or PNP:

me Process Report Type	Help About
Please select the choice that best fits your situation : *	<ul> <li>I would like to report a new Spill Incident, and have NOT submitted a Public Notice of Pollution</li> <li>I would like to report a new Spill Incident, but have already submitted a Public Notice of Pollution</li> <li>I would like to update a previously reported Spill Incident</li> </ul>
	Save and Go to Next Step

The following screen will appear where the DEP Incident number from the DEP email should be entered:

Introduction		Home Authorization Process	Help About
Report Type		☐ Search for Incident	Help About
Search for Incident		Please enter the DEP Incident ID to search for y have submitted a Public Notice of Pollution, this	
Update Incident		received for that Notice.	
Facility Type		Please note that this is not the same as Sta Report Number.	ate watch Office
Facility Search		If you cannot locate your Incident, please conta	ict [NAME].
Reporting Party Information		DEP Incident ID: *	
Incident Address			
Incident Location	<b>?</b>		
Incident Information	0		
Incident Contact			
Incident Cleanup	<b>?</b>		
Incident Notification	<b>?</b>		
Incident Migration			
Waterbody Information			
Supporting Documentation			
Review Information			
Signature	0	Go Back to Previous Step Search a	and Continue

Once the DEP Incident ID has been entered, if it matches with an Incident ID in the system, the following screen will appear:

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Update Incident	tech x
•	llowing incident to update. If this is not correct, please select Go Back to Previous Step.
rou nave selected the to	nowing incluent to update. If this is not correct, please select Go Back to Previous Step.
Spill Incident Informa	tion (SSO)
SSO Incident Name :	the other than the first the
SSO Incident Date :	06/26/2019
SO Incident Address 1 :	The second se
SO Incident Address 2 :	
SO Incident City :	Winter Haven
SO Incident State :	FL
SO Incident Zip Code :	33881
SO Facility ID :	
SSO Facility Name :	
NP Incident Information	tion
PNP Incident Name :	
NP Incident Date :	06/26/2019 09:00
NP Location :	Lan Shimmin Lang an User
NP Facility Name :	
Reported By :	Erica Peck
	l Incident Report will <b>NOT</b> update your Public Notice of Pollution. To update your Notice, please go to the <b>Public</b>
lotice of Pollution we	bsite (https://floridadep.gov/pollutionnotice) after completing this process.
	Go Back to Previous Step Save and Go to Next Step

After clicking **Save and Go to Next Step**, several screens will appear that allow for editing and updating. The user may revise or update the information on the screens as needed.

# Contact List

#### DEP District Offices

Northwest:	850-595-8300
Northeast:	904-256-1700
Central:	407-897-4100
Southwest:	813-470-5700
Southeast:	561-681-6600
South:	239-344-5600

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