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Wayne County: Lee Power Plant Cooling Pond

Wayne County, NC – As Wayne County continues to respond to this historical flooding event, the Emergency Operations Center wants to share the latest update on the cooling pond at the old Lee Power Plant located on Old Smithfield Highway:

At approximately 1 PM, the cooling pond located at the old Lee Power Plant breached. Wayne County Emergency Services is monitoring the breach and anticipates little impact at this time on the river flooding that is occurring in this area. Additional agencies are supporting Wayne County Emergency Services with the breach.

It is important to note that this breach only impacts the cooling pond. The power plant's ash pond remains intact.

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