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## **ADEM Issues Advisory Following Spill of Herbicide in Macon County Creek**

**MONTGOMERY, Ala.** – The Alabama Department of Environmental Management (ADEM) issued an advisory today urging the public to take caution using a waterway downstream of the site of a truck accident that spilled herbicide in a Macon County creek this morning on Interstate 85 near the Notasulga exit.

The truck was carrying two herbicides, Triumph and Boulder, when it crashed at a bridge near the Notasulga exit. Initial reports indicate that some quantity of the herbicides were spilled into Uphapee Creek. The herbicides may cause skin and eye irritation, and at least one of the herbicides is toxic to fish.

Uphapee Creek flows to the Tallapoosa River.

ADEM has staff at the scene to monitor cleanup and urges the public to take caution if using the creek anywhere along its path to the Tallapoosa River.

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