

**Subject:** Letter to the Editor: Cary sewage spill  
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7.9 million gallons of raw sewage are now polluting the Triangle area, and Cary blames the spill on a large rainfall. The other towns within Wake County had the same amount of rain, and I have not heard about them having a sewage spill.

Rather than placing the blame elsewhere, Cary should look into their own management of the situation and place the blame exactly where it lies, with Town of Cary employees.

Cary employees noticed a problem on June 16 and sent the contractor an e-mail stating the "failure presents a concern for the ongoing work". Now that is really managing the problem!

Does no Cary employee care enough to follow-up on the problem to ensure it is being managed?

The next entry in the timeline is June 23, a full week later.

What took place during the previous week? Why were no meetings called, discussions held, and the problem resolved? Did Cary employees think sending one e-mail fixed everything?

The Town of Cary is the direct cause of the sewage spill

because they failed to manage the problem. This is incompetence at its highest, and clearly shows the Town of Cary is unable to manage sewage plants and their resulting raw sewage spills.

A raw sewage spill of this magnitude calls into question the Western Wake Partners plan to build a regional sewage plant. If one sewage plant in Cary can spill 7.9 million gallons of raw sewage, imagine the amount of raw sewage a regional plant will spill.

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