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NOTICE OF RESPONSE TO SAWMILL CREEK

CANFIELD, OH, May 27, 2026 – At 2:01pm, Cardinal Joint Fire District was called to Sawmill Creek behind Canfield High School to investigate a blue liquid in the water. Also on the scene were Canfield Police, Canfield Public Works, Mahoning County HazMat, and Canfield's City Manager.

The liquid was tracked to the Canfield Swim Club, where they were re-doing the tennis courts. The liquid was determined to be a water-based coating called Sportsmaster Color Plus that had mixed with rainwater, then got into the storm sewer and into Sawmill Creek.

The Ohio EPA has been notified and they are *en route*, along with the contractor, to suction the liquid from the creek.

Cleanup efforts are in progress and updates will be provided when available.

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If you have questions, please contact Chief Donald Hutchison at 330-533-4316.