UPDATE #4

Aug. 24, 2025, Munster, Indiana: bp response crews have secured the source of the oil sheen detected in a Munster stormwater catch basin this week. Crews onsite have begun removing soil impacted by crude oil released from an inactive bp pipeline nearby. Construction activities may continue overnight and into Monday as crews continue this work. Residents may hear construction noise and see temporary lighting set up at the excavation site.

Residents may smell petroleum odors in the surrounding area. As a precautionary measure, response crews have set up air monitoring in the area. Petroleum products produce odors that humans can perceive at very low concentrations that can be below the concentrations that may affect human health. No elevated readings have been detected outside of the immediate excavation area.

We ask the public to continue to avoid the immediate area of the response and to follow the instructions of on-scene response personnel.

We regret any inconvenience this may cause and appreciate the patience of area residents as we continue response operations.

The safety of our responders, the community and the environment remain our highest priority. Updates will be issued as more information becomes available.
