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Action Demanded for Massive Sewage Spill

- What:** Prior to the start of the International Boundary and Water Commission (IBWC) meeting at 6:30PM, community members will be encouraged to write letters demanding action to their federal and state representatives.
- Who:** Councilmember David Alvarez; Imperial Beach Mayor Serge Dedina and impacted stakeholders
- When:** Thursday, March 2, 2017 at 5:30PM
- Where:** Tijuana Estuary Visitor Center's meeting room, 301 Caspian Way, Imperial Beach, 91932
- Why:** For two weeks, a massive sewage spill on the Mexican side of the border has dumped over 143 million gallons of raw sewage into the Pacific Ocean, heavily polluting the Tijuana River Valley and beaches in southern San Diego. The stench of raw sewage was widespread and consistently being reported with nothing but silence in response from authorities on both sides of the border. Their inaction has put the health of many impacted communities at risk. Councilmember Alvarez and Mayor Dedina have reached out to federal officials on both sides of the border to hold those responsible accountable.

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