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Guild. Concedes That Sewers Pollute Creek

1970 IS CLEAN-UP DEADLINE

The Town of Guilderland admitted to the New York State Department of Health on April 13 that the Mc-Kownville Sewer District was polluting the Krumkill and said that the situation would be corrected.

The health department had commenced proceedings against the town to compel the abatement of the pollution. "We have to show them by January 1968 how we're going to stop it" Town Attorney Frank Williams said at a Town Board meeting on April 12. "This anti-pollution law has a great deal of teeth in it. They can compel us to stop it."

Councilman Harold Hughes added "They give us a choice as to the means of stopping the pollution."

Guilderland may join other communities in the area in the construction of a sewage treatment plant or it may construct one independently. Supervisor Carl Walters announced at the meeting that the town had to submit final plans by January 2, 1968. Construction on a sewage treatment facility must be begun by July 1, 1968 and the work must be completed by January 1, 1970.

Mr. Walters said that he had every reason to believe that there is a possibility that the State will be lenient on the time table once the plans have been set up.