

April 8, 1998

Property Owner
123 Main Street
Any Town, USA 12345

Re: Disconnection of Inflow Source at 123 Main Street
(Storm or Ground water entering the Sanitary Sewer)

Dear Property Owner:

Currently, the Wastewater Districts are rehabilitating the existing collection system of pipes and manholes, and requiring disconnection and re-routing of any source on private property that contributes excess flow to the sanitary sewer system. This excess flow causes sewer backups during wet weather periods. Although you may never have experienced wet weather sewer backups, connections in or outside of your home contribute to problems for your neighbors downstream.

Although some homes may have been constructed prior to ordinances being passed prohibiting these sources, their disconnection is a vital part of this sewer rehabilitation project.

Inspections and testing by the Wastewater Districts and Consultants have determined that your home has a connection that allows surface water or ground water to flow into the sewers (typically foundation drain pits, sump pumps, or outside area drains). In the twelve years since this project was initiated, over 15,600 sources have been eliminated.

The Board of County Commissioners adopted Resolution No. W.D. 92-22 (originally enacted as W.D. 85-96) which prohibits these connections, but provides funds to disconnect and re-route them. The costs of repairs or modifications to comply with the resolution will be included in the overall cost of the rehabilitation project.

The following source(s) on your property require modification:

Foundation Drain Sump Pit

Several options are available to you for performing the work:

1. **The work may be performed by a pre-approved contractor. Simply contact the Districts at 681-3200, extension 2172.** If you select this option, payment will be made directly to the contractor. Please contact the Districts by May 8, 1998, to make the necessary arrangements.
2. If you do not wish to use a pre-approved contractor, you may obtain estimates from any two (2) reputable contractors of your choice. **A list of experienced contractors is available from the Districts on request.** These estimates must be submitted to the Wastewater Districts by May 8, 1998, and reviewed before any work is performed. All required work should be completed by June 8, 1998. **NOTE: if you choose this method, two (2) estimates are required.**



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3. If you wish to perform the work yourself, reimbursement will be for materials only.

Other Information:

1. The disconnection must be performed according to Districts' standards and all applicable building codes to qualify for funding.
2. If the building owner wishes to select the contractor, and the preferred contractor's bid is greater than the lowest bid, the building owner shall be responsible for the difference in cost.
3. At the owner's option, the contractor may be paid directly by the Districts after inspection and documentation of work performed.
4. If the disconnection work requires approval from the City Building Code authority, indication that a City permit was obtained will be needed prior to payment.
5. Acceptance of payment will include the consent of the building owner to future re-inspections.

Appeal procedures are attached.

If you have any questions, please contact the Districts' I/I Inspectors by dialing 681-3200, and entering extension 2172.

Sincerely,

Douglas L. Smith
Wastewater Administrator

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Attachments

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