

Notice for Television Inspection of Sewer Pipes

Within the next 48 to 72 hours, depending on the progress of work, King County inspection crews will be conducting closed circuit television (CCTV) inspections of private sanitary sewer service pipes in your neighborhood.

The King County Wastewater Treatment Division, in coordination with the Skyway Water & Sewer District, will begin **sewer inspections in your neighborhood** to detect excess groundwater or stormwater that may be entering sewers through cracked pipes, leaky manholes, or improperly connected downspouts or foundation drains. This effort is part of the county's program to repair damaged sewer pipes in order to reduce the risk of sewer overflows and decrease the cost of wastewater conveyance and treatment.

The inspection crew will be running a remote camera from the main sewer pipe, in the street or public easement, through your private side sewer pipe to within a few feet of your building. They will be searching for defects in the sewer pipes or any inappropriate connections. The inspection crew may need to enter onto your property to follow the advance of the camera, or if necessary, to route the camera from close to your house toward the street. Biodegradable paint, or small, one foot high flags may be placed in the ground to mark the surface location of pipe bends, connections, or defects. The marking flags will be removed when they are finished. The CCTV inspection crew will be available at the test site to answer questions.

Please note: Inspection crews will access local fire hydrants in order to jet clean the sewer lines before launching the remote camera. On rare occasions, depending on side sewer depth and unique plumbing angles, the pressure from the jet cleaning may cause water in toilets to bubble up. **To prevent water from spraying onto bathroom floors please keep toilet lids closed during testing.**

For more information contact Maryann Petrocelli, King County Community Relations, at (206) 263-7321, or via email maryann.petrocelli@metrokc.gov. If you have an urgent need please call the 24-hour information hotline at (206) 205-3872. Your call will be returned promptly. You may also contact Cheryl Scheuerman, Skyway Water and Sewer District General Manager at (206) 772-7343.

**To receive this information in alternative formats,
Call (206) 684-1138 (voice) or 711 (TTY)**

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