



Sanitary Sewer Main Flushing Notification

October 8, 2021

The Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen (RDOS) wishes to inform residents and businesses that regular scheduled sanitary sewer main maintenance will be taking place in various areas of the Okanagan Falls Wastewater Collection System area to remove settled and accumulated material. Work will be starting **Tuesday October 12th to Friday October 22nd, 2021 from 8am to 6pm**. Some high traffic areas may be flushed after **7pm** to avoid busy traffic and ensure contractor safety.

Please be advised that during this process the contractor (C3 Mainline Inspections) will be setting up their apparatus at each manhole in the roadway and releasing low pressurized water through the sanitary sewer main pipe to remove any buildup. The RDOS will also have signs set up in each neighbourhood as the flushing process is occurring. Preventative maintenance involves the flushing of sanitary sewer mains to remove settled and accumulated material as well as to eliminate the potential for sanitary sewer main surcharging (or an overloading of the sewer beyond its design capacity), which can result in damage to property.

During these events residents may experience a bubbling and/or vacuum effect in drains and toilets. **It is recommended that residents keep all toilet seats closed and cover any floor drains in order to prevent sewer gases from migrating into homes via internal plumbing.** Traps that hold a volume of water may be displaced during the flushing process, it is possible for the negative pressure created in the sanitary sewer main to draw this water out of the traps and allow sewer gases to enter the home. **For this reason, it is important for homeowners to refill these traps by running the water in their sinks and into floor drains after the work has been completed.**

Tentative Schedule will be (subject to change):

Tuesday October 12 – Peachcliff Dr, Peachcliff Place, McLean Creek Rd
Wednesday October 13 – Peach Cres, Walnut Cres, Duncan Place, Maple Street (south of 10th Ave)
Thursday October 14 – Basset Ave, Barten Place, Ferguson Place, Brockie Place, Micmac Crt, 14th Ave
Friday October 15 – 10th Ave (East of Hwy 97), Birch St, Maple St (north of 10th Ave)
Monday October 18 – Mosely Place, Eastside Rd, 6th Ave, 7th Ave (East of Main St)
Tuesday October 19 – Hody Dr, Main St (North of Hwy 97)
Wednesday October 20 – 7th Ave (west of Main St), 8th Ave, Railway Lane
Thursday October 21 – Areas above not completed.

The RDOS asks that all residents remain patient during this process. Should you have any questions or concerns, please call Public works at the main office at 250.490.4135.

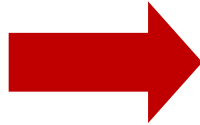
Thank you for your patience during this maintenance work.



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