N O T I F I C A T I O N

Your residential area was recently identified as causing obstruction to the sanitary sewer system due to Fats, Oils and Grease (FOG) discharged from houses in your neighborhood. FOG obstruction and interference to the sanitary sewer system can cause sanitary sewer overflows which pollute Clarksville's streams. The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the Tennessee Department of Environment & Conservation require the Clarksville Wastewater Department to take action to prevent sanitary sewer overflows. This notification is to make you aware of fats, oils and grease pollution prevention actions you should take to prevent sewer line blockages and sanitary sewer overflows.

Sanitary Sewer Overflows caused by fats, oils and grease.

Sewer line blockage from grease.

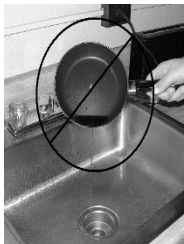*CGW must clean grease from sewer lines to prevent overflows.*

Fats, oils & grease can cause blockage in your home's sewer system too.

Implement the following Best Management Practices to Prevent Fats, Oils & Grease Blockages & Problems:

1. Do ***NOT*** pour any cooking oils or grease into your kitchen sink, bathroom sink, toilet or other drain lines.
2. Pour all used cooking oils and grease into a small container so it can cool and harden. When the container is full, cap the container or cover it tightly, place in a bag to prevent leakage and put in garbage container.
3. Dry wipe all pots, pans and plates before washing in sink or dishwasher. Use paper towels and wipe grease and food contents into a garbage container.
4. If you have a kitchen sink garbage grinder, use this as little as possible since food particles and grease from the grinded material will still clog your pipes and affect the downstream sewer system.

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SEE Reverse Side of this Handout for "Wipes" and other items not to flush down toilet or house drains

Welcome to the "No Flush" Zone!

RESIDENTIAL NOTIFICATION: Sewer line backup, blockage and overflow can occur if you flush or put any items in your toilet or drains other than human waste and toilet paper. **Don't be lazy!** Put all of the following items in the trash, NOT the toilet! This will prevent sewer line blockage problems in your house and neighborhood.

Make your home a "No Flush" zone. Items NOT to flush down any toilet or drain in your house:

1.WIPES: DO NOT flush, even if it says "flushable" because they can still cause sewer blockage. This includes baby wipes, disinfectant wipes, facial wipes and cleaning wipes.

Clog Wipes

3.ADHESIVE BANDAGES

4.HAIR

2.COTTON BALLS, SWABS & PADS

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FLOSSY

5.DENTAL FLOSS & WHITENING STRIPS

6.DISPOSABLE DIAPERS

Rx

7.KITTY LITTER & BOX LINERS

8.MEDICATION including expired or unused prescriptions AND over-the-counter medicine. Expired or unused medicines should go back to the pharmacy or put into the trash.

For more information please visit -- https://www.cityofclarksville.com/317/Fats-Oils-Grease