

Smoke testing of sewer to begin December 6

If your neighborhood is scheduled for the smoke testing, it is advisable to pour a gallon of water into each floor drain prior to testing.

Smoke testing to determine rainwater infiltration or inflow in the city sewer system is tentatively scheduled to begin December 6th, weather permitting. The sewer division of the Public Works Department will notify households prior to neighborhood testing. Watch for yellow door hangars with important information about the smoke testing process.

The "smoke testing" process involves the pressure injection of a nontoxic smoke into the sewers. A crew of technicians will canvas the area being tested looking for smoke coming from storm sewers, holes in the ground, and other places that indicate broken lines that allow rainwater to enter the sewer system. When rainwater enters the sewer line, it flows out for treatment - costing the city money.

During the testing, if you notice the nontoxic white smoke in your house, contact the crew in your neighborhood or Jerry Zemlo at 971-4044.

Tentative Testing Schedule (December - January)

December 6 - 20

Bill Stewart Blvd. from Hollandale Road to Sand Hill Road.

December 27 - January 10

Cedar Lake Subdivision

January 11 - 31

Cedar Glenn Subdivision

Further neighborhood updates will be provided as available.