



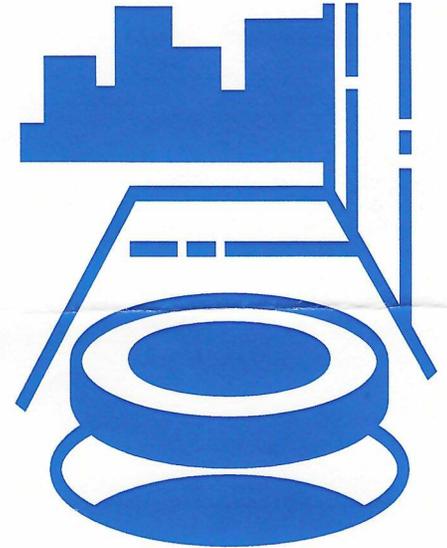
Sewer Best Management Practices

We share these best practices to help keep our sewers healthy and help protect public health and the environment.

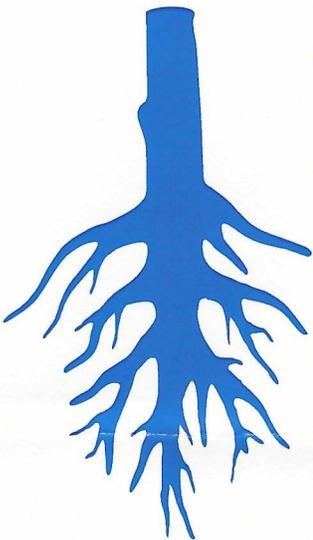
1 Prevent stormwater from entering the sewer system.

Stormwater flows can overwhelm the sewer and cause sanitary sewer overflows.

- Identify and correct any known sources of inflow and infiltration.
- Where stormwater may enter the sewer system via manhole covers, seal covers with silicone caulk around the perimeter and corks inserted into the pick holes.
- Communicate with city staff (e.g., Public Works, Police, Fire) that no one is to remove a sanitary sewer manhole cover to drain a flooded street.



2 Keep root cuttings and toxic compounds to control roots out of sewers!



- Do not push cut roots downstream into Sanitation Districts' sewers. Roots cut during sewer cleaning activities should be captured and removed with a strainer basket or rake in the manhole immediately downstream.
- Advise property owners and plumbers that roots cut from private laterals can cause sewage spills and should therefore be captured and removed from the sewer. Please assist property owners and plumbers in removing cut roots from the sewer.
- Do not use root killing products that contain sodium methylthiocarbamate (DTC), commonly known as metam sodium, which contributes to formation of a carcinogenic compound.

3 Do not dispose of sewer cleanings grit where it could enter Sanitation Districts' sewers.

4 Help spread the word: "Flushable wipes" are not flushable!

For more information, please visit www.lacsd.org/protectyourpipes.

To report sewer overflows, odors and other emergencies involving Sanitation Districts' sewers, please call us at **562-437-6520**, 24 hours per day, 7 days a week.

Use our **online map** of our sewer system to locate Sanitation Districts' sewers, including construction drawings of these sewers. www.app.lacsd.org/ugutilities

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Please contact us at sewers@lacsd.org or, during business hours, at 310-638-1161 with any questions.