Beaver Borough Municipal Authority

Special Notice

The Beaver Borough Municipal Authority has engaged Underground Utility Services to perform **smoke testing in your neighborhood from August 13th through August 17th**. Smoke testing is one of the most efficient and cost effective methods to locate sources of inflow and infiltration in sanitary sewers. The test is performed by placing a blower over a manhole and forcing non-toxic smoke filled air through a sanitary sewer line. The pressurized "smoke" fills the sewer main line along with ancillary connections. Any leaks in the sanitary sewer system will allow the pressured smoke to flow through the leaks and visibly emerge into the atmosphere.

Under certain conditions, smoke may appear in basements through unused floor drains, disconnected or faulty plumbing fixtures, and other direct openings to connecting sewers. Prior to the smoke testing, please pour one quart of water into all floor drains, sinks or other plumbing fixtures not regularly used. In the unlikely event that smoke enters your house/building, please consider leaving several windows partially open for ventilation during the day of testing. If smoke enters your house, then ventilate your house and contact the Beaver Borough Municipal Authority at 724-773-6700.

The "smoke" is specially manufactured for testing and is not dangerous or toxic. The "smoke" leaves no residue or stains and has no effect on plants or animals; however, does have a distinctive yet not unpleasant odor. Direct contact with the smoke may cause minor respiratory irritation in some people. If there are occupants in your household or business who have emphysema, asthma, or other respiratory conditions, then please notify the Beaver Borough Municipal Authority at 724-773-6700 to further discuss and to ensure their comfort and safety.

Please contact the Beaver Borough Municipal Authority at 724-773-6700 with any questions.

Thank you for your cooperation!