

Pro-Pipe Maintenance Notification



The City of Spring Valley has contracted with a company named Pro-Pipe to perform preventative maintenance by cleaning the sanitary sewer.

This will improve the over all performance of the sewer and significantly reduce the chance for future sewer backups and related problems.

This cleaning process will not affect most homes, but it causes a vacuum in the sewer. This may affect some homes that have inadequate or partially blocked drain vents. The vacuum caused by the cleaning process may cause **"P-traps"** (*the little S shaped bend in the pipe under sinks and drains*) to be sucked dry.

In result this may cause you to notice a sewer smell. To help minimize this effect, run a little water in your drains to refill the P-traps, and it is recommended that you shut the water valve off to all your toilets, put the toilet seats down and cover floor drains with car mats on the days that the sewer cleaning is scheduled. This will also minimize any possible splashing of the P-trap water in homes that are poorly vented.

Thank you for your assistance and cooperation.

Please give us a call if you have any questions at 602-872-6718