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London Grove Township Municipal Authority to "smoke" sewer system

London Grove Township Municipal Authority services the Heather Grove Development through public sewer processed by West Grove's sewer system. West Grove is concerned about rainwater leaks in the public sewer system. The leaks can allow large amounts of rainwater to enter the system. These leaks are in no way harmful to the residents. This testing is to identify leaks and repair them if necessary.

In an effort to locate and correct the leaks, London Grove Township Municipal Authority plans to conduct smoke testing of the sanitary sewer system beginning Wednesday, May 22, 2019 through Friday, May 31, 2019, weather permitting excluding weekends and holidays.

London Grove Township Municipal Authority is in cooperation with and has arranged to have the testing done by Pennsylvania Rural Water Association, a non-profit organization that provides assistance to municipal water and wastewater systems.

Homeowners are advised that any unused drains and traps in homes or businesses should be filled with water on the days when the smoking is scheduled. During the testing, workers will be walking through neighborhoods to inspect for leaks. If anyone has any further questions, or if anyone notices any smoke in their homes during these tests, they should contact London Grove Township Municipal Authority at 610-345-0300.

The smoke which is used is harmless. Customers should not panic if they notice smoke and are advised to call and notify those working with the project to investigate the problem. This smoke is non-toxic, non-corrosive, and will not leave an odor or a stain. If smoke enters a building, it will soon dissipate. Opening doors and windows will help vent it outside. Any smoke entering a building should be reported to the workers conducting the test, or by calling 610-345-0300.