



# SEWER WORK NOTICE

## PLEASE READ



November 2020

The Town of Medfield, in conjunction with its engineering consultant Woodard & Curran, has contracted with EST Associates, Inc. to conduct smoke testing investigations of the sanitary sewer system in strategic areas. Residents and businesses in these areas will be notified via flyer drop several days in advance of the smoke testing. These investigations are being conducted to identify sources of extraneous water that discharge into the Town's sanitary sewer pipes. The testing involves blowing harmless, odorless, non-staining, white smoke into the sanitary sewer pipes in the street and observing/recording where the smoke leaks out. This is normal and should not be cause for alarm, and a Material Safety Data Sheet can be provided upon request.

The smoke will not enter your house or building unless there are defects in your sanitary sewer plumbing. Although unlikely, should smoke enter your building, do not be alarmed. Simply open the windows, and then notify the crew in the street or call one of the contact numbers provided below to report that smoke has entered your building. Please be assured that the smoke will disappear quickly and is non-toxic and non-staining. Prior to testing, you can reduce the chances of smoke entering your building by pouring about a gallon of water down each sink, toilet, and drain in your home. This will allow water to fill each trap (bend in the piping under the fixture), which will in turn prevent the smoke from entering the building.

Representatives of EST Associates, Inc. will carry photo identification and vehicles will be clearly labeled with the company name and phone number. Field crews will be in Medfield beginning Tuesday, November 10 through Friday, November 20. The project could be extended if rain requires postponing of work and please check this post for updates. The hours for testing are between 8:00 AM and 5:00 PM. Monday through Friday. The Fire and Police Departments are being notified on a daily basis of all smoke testing work locations and a Medfield Police detail will be on site.

**The work will be adhere to State and Local COVID-19 Guidelines. However, no contact is expected with residents in affected areas.**

If you suffer from lung or respiratory ailments, please contact EST at (781) 455-0003 and special arrangements will be made. If you have any specific questions regarding the smoke testing please contact Kellie Messer, Project Engineer at Woodard & Curran at (978)-494-6807 or the Department of Public Works at (508) 906-3002.

**In case of emergency or actual fire, please contact 911.**

