



Sanitary Sewer Overflow (SSO)

CEASE THE GREASE !!!

Fats, oils, and grease (FOG) poured down kitchen drains accumulate inside sewer pipes. As the FOG builds up, it restricts the flow in the pipe and can cause untreated wastewater to back up into homes and businesses, resulting in high costs for cleanup and restoration and threatening public health. Wastewater from SSO have negative impacts on the environment causing severe water quality problems in lakes, rivers and groundwater which may be used as drinking water sources.

Here are some simple things that will help you and your neighbors avoid costs of plumbing repairs and emergencies from clogged sewer pipes.

- Scrape food scraps into the trash, not the sink.
- Wipe pots, pans, and dishes with dry paper towels before rinsing or washing them.
- Place a catch basket or screen over the sink drain when rinsing dishware, to catch small scraps that would otherwise be washed down the drain.
- Rinse dishes and pans with cold water before putting them in the dishwasher. Hot water melts the fats, oils, and grease (FOG) off the dishes and into the sewer pipes. Later on in the sewer, the hot water will cool and the FOG will clog the pipes.

TO RECYCLE large amounts of oil, such as what's left over from frying a turkey, contact the:

Fort Worth Environmental Collection Center
6400 Bridge Street
Fort Worth, TX
Ph: 817-871-5257

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