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SMOKE TESTING OF SEWER LINES IN SUFFOLK PLANNED – WEEK OF APRIL 18TH

SUFFOLK, VA (April 4, 2022) Duke's Root Control, Inc. (formerly Hydrostructures), a contractor working on behalf of the Suffolk Department of Public Utilities, will be smoke testing the sanitary sewer system in the month of April, starting the week of April 18th, for 1 to 2 weeks within various areas of the City. All areas scheduled to be smoke tested will be notified with door hangers that describe the upcoming smoke testing efforts.

Smoke testing involves injecting opaque-colored smoke through the sanitary sewer pipes to locate and identify deficiencies that may contribute to sanitary sewer overflows. The smoke used for smoke testing is non-toxic, harmless, and creates no hazard.

During the week of April 18th, 2022, smoke testing is scheduled to be conducted in several areas described as: (1) Pierce Park, (2) Olde Town, the area generally bounded by College Court, and the Suffolk Seaboard Railroad Museum, (3) Lutersville (4) Cove Point, (5) Springfield, (6) Riverview, the area generally along W. Riverview Drive, west of Darden Avenue, (7) Lake Kennedy Estates, and (8) Graystone Reserves.

Should weather or other factors cause delays, smoke testing will continue in these areas the following week, the week of April 25th, 2022.

For information on smoke testing, the areas to be tested, and testing schedules, visit the project website, <https://www.sufmom.com/smoketesting/>, or contact Johnnie Godwin, Jacobs Engineering Project Manager, at (757) 710-4222, or Adam James, City of Suffolk, at (757) 514-7065.

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