

ANNOUNCEMENT

PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING

Sanitary Sewer Overflows (SSOs) may cause a public nuisance, potential public exposure to untreated raw sewage, pollute underground and surface waters, threaten public health, adversely affect aquatic life, and impair the recreational use and aesthetic enjoyment of surface waters. Some of the causes of SSOs are blockages caused by fats, oils and grease, inadequate maintenance of source control measures and other illicit discharges to the sanitary sewer system.

The State Water Resources Control Board has adopted Order No. 2006-0003-DWQ which requires that owners and operators of sanitary sewer collection systems develop a system-specific Sewer System Management Plan (SSMP) to aid in the prevention of SSOs. One of the requirements of a SSMP is that the responsible agency possess adequate legal authority and implement a fats, oils and grease (FOG) control program to mitigate FOG related problems in the sanitary sewer system.

The Department of Public Works has had programs and policies in place for many years with the objective of controlling FOG discharges. The proposed amendments to Title 20 – Utilities of the Los Angeles County Code are intended to consolidate and codify existing requirements and for consistency with the State Board Order, Plumbing Code and California Retail Food Code. Additional amendments are proposed to provide clarification of existing fees and to conform with Federal industrial waste pretreatment program requirements and County administrative procedures. The Department of Public Works will be holding a public information meeting to present details regarding the proposed amendments:

Date: Thursday, October 16, 2008

Time: 10:00 a.m. – Noon

Location:

**County of Los Angeles
Department of Public Works
Headquarters Building
Conference Room D
900 S. Fremont Avenue
Alhambra, CA 91803-1331**

Enter parking lot and follow signs to conference parking.

The visitor's entrance is located on Orange Street.

A copy of the proposed ordinance amendments is available on the Division's website at:

www.888cleanla.com

or, at the Environmental Programs Division Public Counter,
900 S. Fremont Avenue, Alhambra, CA 91803-1331, Annex Building 3rd floor, (626) 458-3517
Monday through Thursday, 7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

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