



Town of Jamestown, Rhode Island
Public Works Department
Wastewater Treatment Facility

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NOTICE OF INSPECTION

SEWER CROSS CONNECTION and WATER SYSTEM BACKFLOW PREVENTION

Dear Property Owner:

The Jamestown Wastewater Treatment Facility (WWTF) has a continuing problem with significant flow surges during and immediately after large rain storms. These freshwater flow surges result in the WWTF exceeding our Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management (RIDEM) permit for discharge volume. In addition, these flows are an expense to pump and treat; and, often overwhelm pipes, pump stations and the treatment facility causing overflows of untreated wastewater in the ocean.

RIDEM has mandated that the Town conduct inspections to locate all sources of illicit freshwater inputs to the sanitary sewer system. Freshwater inputs include sump pumps, roof drains and perimeter or foundation drains connected directly to the sewer line.

The Jamestown Water Department is required by the Rhode Island Department of Health to inspect each water connection for the appropriate back flow prevention device (check valve at the meter) to protect the municipal water system from contamination.

Jamestown Wastewater and Water Department staff will be conducting joint inspections of every household connected to the sewer and/or water system to insure compliance with the regulations.

The inspection process will take approximately 15 minutes. An adult must be present during the inspection. Inspection times are available Tuesday and Thursday from 8:00 am to 3:00 pm. Please call the Wastewater Treatment Facility at **423-7295** to schedule your inspection after written notification is received by your household.

Thank you for your cooperation with this program.