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Residential Grease Management Plan

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Food grease and oils have been identified as an obstructing material within the sewer system. This obstruction in the sewer causes raw sewage to overflow the system, allowing sewage to enter the streets and polluting the local rivers, creeks and streams.

This requirement is primarily directed toward multi-residential structures of four units and larger, private wastewater collection systems, or facilities identified as having grease discharges causing blockages or obstructions within the public sewer system.

PRETREATMENT OPTIONS:

Install a dual/parallel plumbing system from all kitchen sinks, and discharge into an approved grease pretreatment system (trap or interceptor) for each building/facility. A maintenance plan will be required indicating routine maintenance. The plan needs to include:

- Who will clean the pretreatment system
- A proposed schedule for cleaning
- How will the grease be disposed
- Who is responsible in the event of a blockage or problem

- OR -

A written Residential Grease Management Plan (RGMP) will be developed and implemented by the property owners to direct and train the occupants in approved grease handling (grease placed in a container for solid waste disposal), and provide an approved grease disposal facility (covered trash containers or recycling system). This plan, at a minimum, shall include:

Written grease handling instructions included with the tenant documents. Periodically review these documents with the tenant. A grease handling plan should teach the tenants proper grease handling practice, and include the following instructions:

1. Pour or scrape all grease from pans and dishes into a disposable container.*
2. Accumulate the grease (refrigerate) until a time that the tenant wishes to deposit the container into the facility grease disposal container.

An approved grease disposal facility shall be included in the design of the facility, including covered containers and signs.

* A Grease disposal kit (scraper & instructions) is available from the City of Salem, Environmental Services; please contact 503-588-6228.