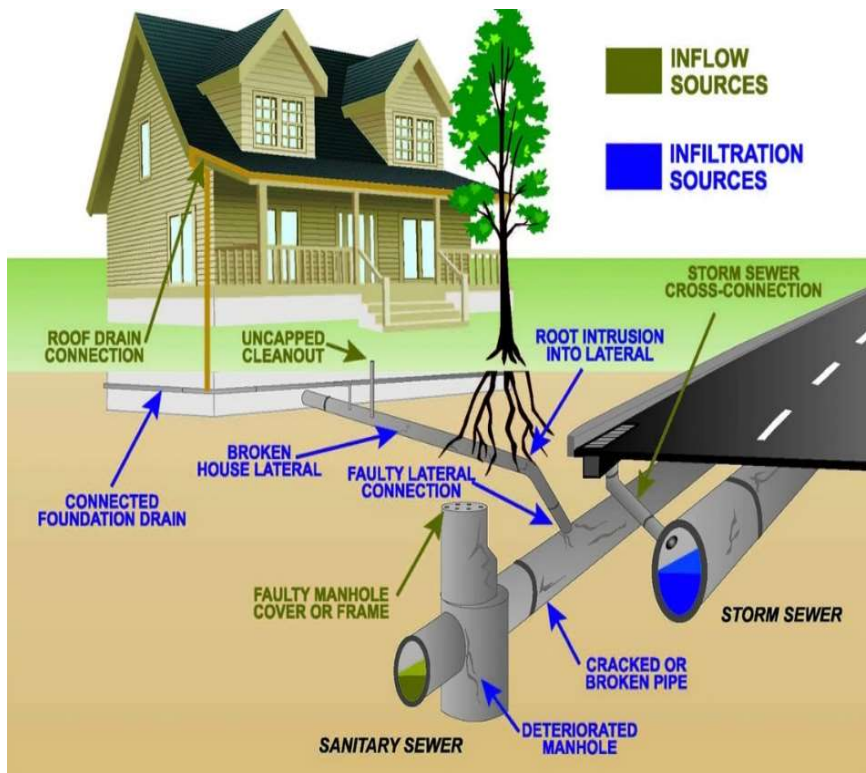


SANITARY SEWER LATERAL INSPECTION ORDINANCE

Lower Pottsgrove Township adopted Ordinance No. 358 at the April 21, 2022, Board of Commissioners meeting requiring the inspection and, if necessary, repair of private sanitary sewer laterals prior to the sale/transfer of residential properties. *Effective July 1, 2022*

What is the purpose of this Ordinance?



Reduce inflow and infiltration into the public sanitary sewer system.

Almost 50% of the total linear feet of the overall sanitary sewer system are privately owned laterals.

Single most effective method of reducing wastewater flows and key to long term success of effectively managing costs to residents.

Reduce treatment costs passed onto the Township.

Reduce capital expenses associated with capacity upgrades to existing pump stations.

What does the Ordinance Require?

The Lateral Ordinance requires a video inspection of the sanitary sewer lateral from the building to the Township-owned portion of the lateral, and visual inspection of buildings, vents, and cleanouts. The property owner will be responsible for correcting or repairing any deficiencies & providing a video documentation of the repair. Upon review and approval by Lower Pottsgrove Township, a permit will be issued. The approval of the permit is required prior to the transfer of any property in Lower Pottsgrove Township that is currently connected to the public sanitary sewer system.

When are Inspections Required?

- Upon the sale or transfer of residential properties.
- Based on a 10-year schedule for all non-residential properties, apartment complex and common laterals where more than one housing unit is connected.
- When the township intends to repair or replace a conveyance line.
- Upon inspection on the sanitary sewer system by the township, its personnel, or its authorized agent(s) that discovers a sanitary sewer lateral that is not in compliance.

For more information visit our website at lowerpottsgrovetownship.org or contact the township at 610-323-0436.