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City Testing Portions of Sewer System Next Week

Harrisonburg, Va. – The Public Utilities Department will be testing Harrisonburg’s sanitary sewer system starting next week.

On Monday, February 6, crews will begin testing and anticipate finishing by Wednesday, February 8.

A small portion of sewer lines will be tested in the area of North Liberty Street, Edom Road, and Jefferson Street.

Tips for residents:

- It is recommended to pour one gallon of water into the drain traps of floors, sinks, showers, and tubs. This will prevent sewer gases or smoke from entering a home or business.
- If the non-toxic smoke enters a residence or business, this is a sign of a defect in the plumbing on the residential end. When this occurs, there is no need to contact emergency services. Open a window or door for ventilation, note the location of the smoke, and contact a qualified plumber.
- Anyone with respiratory or cardiovascular conditions should not stay in a building where smoke has entered, as a precautionary measure.

This schedule is subject to change due to weather conditions and unforeseen maintenance on equipment.

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Pictured above: The area outlined in red serves as the boundaries for where the sewer system testing will take place.

Questions? Contact the Public Utilities Department at 540-434-9959.

*The **Harrisonburg Department of Public Utilities** is responsible for providing water and sewer services to residences and businesses. The Department currently manages approximately 16,000 accounts. For more information about these functions of the city, visit www.harrisonburgva.gov/public-utilities.*



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