SMOKE TESTING NOTICE

The Bloomsburg Municipal Authority has contracted with Pa Rural Water to conduct a smoke test assessment of the sewer system located throughout the Town of Bloomsburg beginning July 23, 2025 through August 23, 2025. The smoke testing could be delayed if heavy rains are persistent and soak the ground. Later dates may need to be scheduled.

The smoke testing assessment will assist our operators in locating breaks and defects in our sewer system. A non-toxic smoke will be introduced into a manhole and forced down the sewer lines with a blower. Smoke will escape the system at any point where this is an open break in the line. For example, smoke may rise from the ground in yards, stream banks, storm drains, etc. Smoke will also escape from all manhole lids, vents on homes roofs/buildings, cleanouts, or foundations in the area where the testing is being conducted. Be advised that smoke can enter your home, office, or place of business. Should smoke enter your home or building, open windows for ventilation and contact the crew working in the area.

THE SMOKE IS:

NON-TOXIC, NON-STAINING, HAS A SLIGHT ODOR, WHITE TO GREY IN COLOR, AND CREATES NO FIRE HAZARD.

YOU DO NOT HAVE TO BE ON SITE DURING TESTING.

It is advisable to pour a gallon of water into every sink, tub, and floor drain that is not subject to everyday use. This will fill the p-traps and prevent smoke from entering the home or building.

If you have any questions, please contact the Bloomsburg Municipal Authority:

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