

**City of Sandpoint Sewer Lateral Improvement Program (SLIP)
Participant Information Form**

Fill out the information below and email, mail, fax, or return form to:

**Bruce Robertson
Public Works Dept.
1123 Lake St
Sandpoint ID 83864**

Email: brobertson@sandpointidaho.gov Fax: 208-265-6442

Property Address: _____ .
Owner's Last Name: _____ .
First Name: _____ .
Spouse's First Name: _____ .
Business or Residential? Business656 Name?: _____ .
Phone: () _____ .
City: _____ .
State: _____ .
Zip: _____ .
Parcel Number (RPS): _____ .
Year Sewer Lateral Installed or Last Replaced: _____ .
Mailing Address (if different): _____ .
City: _____ .
State: _____ .
Zip: _____ .
Trigger? (circle one) Selling property, Building Permit, or Visible Problem Reported.
Date This Form was Submitted: _____ .
Email of person to be notified of Pass/Fail: _____ .
_____ .

If Trigger is "Selling Property", please provide the following information.

Realtor Name: _____ .
Realtor Company: _____ .
Realtor Phone Number: _____ .
Title Company: _____ .
Contact at Title Company: _____ .
Title Company Phone Number _____ .

When this form and a suitable video are received, your lateral will be rated and a letter will be sent to you, usually via email, notifying you of the lateral's inspection results.

Local Plumbers with Video Inspection Equipment for Sewer Laterals

8/3/2018

Aqua Plumbing	(208) 265-2782
Case Plumbing	(208) 304-3883
KG & T Septic	(208) 267- 5110
Lateral Concepts LLC	(208) 818-8241
Roto Rooters	(208) 263-1013
The Rooter Guys	(208) 265-8097



August 3rd, 2018

Dear Resident,

You are now part of the sewer lateral improvement program (City Code 7-7-4). This program was created by ordinance to repair or replace deteriorating private sewer laterals from your property to the sewer main to reduce the amount of groundwater and rainwater (inflow and infiltration) that enters through damaged pipes. This groundwater entering the sewer mains has become a significant issue during the wet season, making it harder and more costly to treat the sewage, ultimately increasing cost to taxpayers by requiring treatment plant capacity increases.

If your building is more than 5 years old and the building has not passed a SLIP review in the last five years, you are included in this program for one of three reasons:

- 1) You are in the process of selling your building.
- 2) You have applied for a building permit valued at more than \$25,000.
- 3) Our maintenance crews could see excessive water flowing from your sewer lateral via their camera in the sewer main, or could see visible damage to your lateral, or smoke testing indicated that your sewer lateral was damaged.

What should you do now?

The first step is to hire a plumber to come and perform a video inspection of your sewer lateral. They will do this by running a small camera down your cleanout or toilet to make a video of the interior of your pipes. After taking the video, the plumber must contact Bruce Robertson at brobertson@ci.sandpoint.id.us to convey the video to him. The Public Works Department will review the video and rate the condition of your lateral based on several criteria.

What happens then?

- 1) If your lateral is in good or fair condition according to our score sheet, you're done. You will be contacted to inform you that no further action is required.
- 2) If your lateral is in poor condition and exceeds the maximum point score of our criteria, you will be contacted and informed that your lateral has failed, and you have a couple of options:
 - a) You must repair or replace your lateral within 90 days of the date of this letter.
 - b) You can contact Bruce Robertson and apply for an extension to complete the work. This will give you up to 10 months (in addition to the 90 days) to complete the work.

Once you complete the work, please document the work by sending me a copy of the invoice or receipt that includes a brief description of the work done.

What happens if the lateral fails and you don't make repairs on time?

After the 90 days, you will be billed \$50/month until the work is completed. If you apply for the 10 month extension period, the \$50/month will continue to accrue (but you will not see a bill) and then if the work has still not been completed by the end of the 10 months, the \$500 bill will be due in full, followed by \$50/month. If you do complete the work during the extension period, the accrued bill will be erased and you're done. If you refuse to pay the penalty bills, your water service will be terminated.

How much will this cost?

The video inspection will most likely cost between \$100-\$250 but may vary depending on the company you choose and the configuration of your lateral. If repair or replacement is necessary, it would most likely cost \$5000-\$7000 depending on your setup and the contractor you choose.

If you have questions or want to find out your current status in the program, please call me.

Sincerely,



Bruce Robertson

Public Works Coordinator

(208) 255-1877

brobertson@sandpointidaho.gov