

# **The Town of Fort Jones**

## **SEWER SMOKE TESTING**

The Town of Fort Jones will be smoke testing the sewer collection system this year on the week of September 27, 2021. This project is being done in an effort to limit the cost of sewage treatment plant expansions that will be necessary over the next few years.

The smoke testing will be conducted on the entire collection system. The Smoke Testing is an integral part of this maintenance program aimed at reducing rainwater and ocean water infiltrating the sewers. The smoke will escape through cracks, breaks, storm water tie-ins such as rain leaders, and uncapped clean-outs.

The Smoke is not toxic and will not harm anyone but occasionally smoke will come out of drains in houses that are not piped properly. If this happens at your house or business, we suggest you contact a plumber to fix the problem as soon as possible because if the smoke gets in your house so will sewer gases which could be toxic or explosive if the right conditions exist.

We anticipate that the testing will be conducted on September 28<sup>th</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup>, and 30<sup>th</sup>, 2021, if those dates change, we will be able to inform the public further.

If there are questions, please direct them to the Fort Jones office at (530) 643-3561 as asking the crew will only slow them down and prolong the project. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Thank you  
Kathy Banks, Sewer/Water Commissioner  
Town of Fort Jones