



## Mind the FOG this Holiday Season

**FOG or Fats, Oils, and Grease that go down your drain can cause major problems for homeowners and the District.**

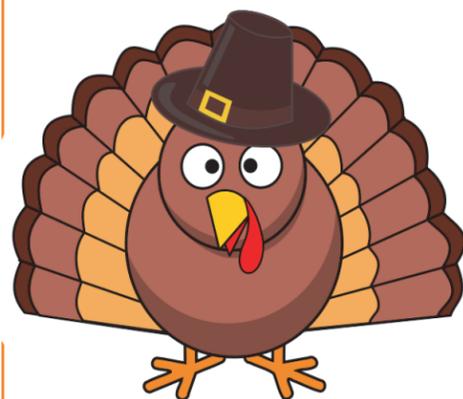
Fats, Oils and Grease are a byproduct of cooking, and are found in such things as: meat fats, cooking oil, lard and shortening, butter and margarine. When Fats, Oils and Grease are washed down the drain, they may stick to the inside of sewer pipes (both on your property and in the streets). Over time, FOG can build up and block an entire pipe.

Garbage disposals do not keep grease out of the pipes, they only shred it into smaller pieces. Commercial additives, including detergents that claim to break up grease, may pass it down the line and cause problems away from the source. A grease-blocked sewer pipe can back up into your home or neighborhood, resulting in expensive and unpleasant clean ups, possible exposure with disease-causing organisms, and an increase in maintenance costs at GWSD.

**Mind the FOG  
Contain it, cool it, toss it!**

### How to dispose of your FOG:

1. Pour FOG into a heat resistant covered disposable container. Store it in the freezer and put it in the trash after it has hardened.
2. Use paper towels to wipe greasy dishes before washing, and put the paper towels in the trash.
3. Use sink strainers to catch food waste and put food scraps in compost bin or in the trash.
4. FOG waste should only be put in the trash.



To learn more about  
**FOG and its proper  
disposal, visit our  
website at**

[www.GoletaWest.org](http://www.GoletaWest.org)

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## Supporting Our Community



Our Board of Directors and staff love supporting and participating in our unique Goleta Valley community events.

### PEP Touch-A-Truck



## Street Sweeping

Please remember to move your cars on street sweeping day to help keep our creeks, beaches, and wetlands healthy and clean.

Since 1964, Goleta West Sanitary District has been providing street sweeping services to its customers. The District was the first South Coast agency to implement a street sweeping program to remove trash and pollutants from storm water runoff that flows into our creeks, wetlands, ocean, and beaches. Unlike many government agencies, we own and operate our street sweeper, making this service reliable and flexible.

Moving your cars and other items such as basketball hoops off the street on your street sweeping day allows the street sweeper to remove the debris that accumulates along the curb. This helps us keep our creeks, beaches, and wetlands healthy and clean.

For more information on your street sweeping schedule visit our website at:  
[www.GoletaWest.org/customerinformation/street-sweeping](http://www.GoletaWest.org/customerinformation/street-sweeping)

## Meet Ken Park Office Manager

Ken began working with GWSD in August of 2017. As the District's Office Manager, Ken is responsible for managing the District's computerized accounting system, payroll operations and customer billing. Ken also receives visitors at the front desk and provides a variety of customer services including issuing permits over the counter.



Ken Park, office manager

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## Maintaining Infrastructure to Ensure Reliable, Cost-Efficient, and Safe Operations

### Completed - Pipe Replacement Project #16-03

This project was successfully completed on time and on budget and involved the replacement of aging 6-inch vitrified clay sewer pipelines with 8-inch PVC pipe. GWSD utilized a local engineering consultant and a local contractor for this work.

During routine Closed-Circuit Television (CCTV) inspections, several sections of 6-inch pipes were identified as having varying degrees of defects. In addition to addressing the defects in the existing pipes, the District was able to enlarge these lines to 8-inch, bringing them up to current minimum District design standards. All this work was done as part of the District's Capital Improvement Plan (CIP).

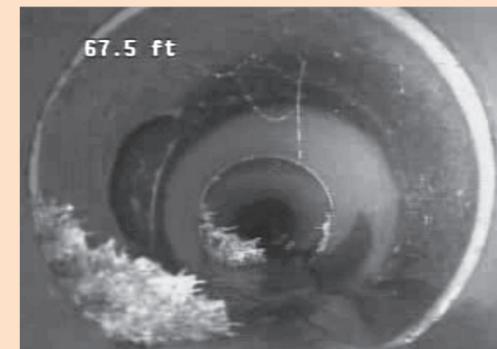
The project included removal and replacement of approximately 4,084 linear feet of sanitary sewer pipeline in the Isla Vista area, 1,360 linear feet of sanitary sewer pipeline in the Dos Pueblos High School area, and 1,588 linear feet of sanitary sewer pipeline in the Lake Los Carneros area.

Additionally, this project replaced three sewer clean-outs with manholes to improve maintenance accessibility and installed protective coatings on 39 existing manholes. This coating protects these concrete structures from deterioration due to the corrosive effects of sewer gases. The coating will result in long-term savings of District funds by significantly extending the life of these costly pieces of infrastructure.

### Completed - Pipeline and Manhole Maintenance Project #16-04

Through the use of the District's routine CCTV inspections, approximately 7,500 linear feet of existing sanitary sewer pipeline were found to have defects primarily due to root intrusion. The District determined these pipelines were good candidates for pipeline rehabilitation by the installation of a liner rather than the wholesale replacement of the pipelines.

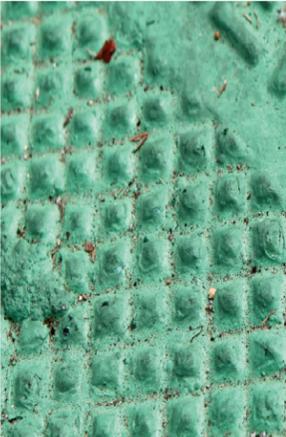
As with the Pipeline Replacement Project, the District took the opportunity to install a protective coating on an additional 30 existing manholes associated with these pipelines.



Pipeline with Roots



Pipeline with new Liner



### Upcoming – Phelps Road Project

The District's next project, Phelps Road Sewer Trunk Line Project, is essentially the "final phase" of solving hydraulic deficiencies in the system and removing infrastructure out of the Storke Wetland and returning the habitat to its native state. Design for the project is complete and we are in the final stages of permitting. Construction is slated to begin in early 2019 and is expected to take between six and nine months to complete.

The Phelps Road Project includes abandonment of approximately 1,000 feet of existing sewer line and removal of the associated manholes from within the Storke Wetlands, installation of approximately 3,800 feet of sewer line along Phelps Road, installation of approximately 1,900 feet of sewer line along Mesa Road, and installation of approximately 900 feet of sewer line extending south along Sycamore Walk from Mesa Road.

