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County of Santa Cruz

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Dear Resident:

Please be advised that the County of Santa Cruz will be performing sewer main and sewer lateral testing for residents of County Service Area No. 7. Public Works crews will be in your neighborhood testing the sanitary sewer system for leaks and tracing the existing house lateral connections. Testing is done by introducing harmless smoke into the sewer system and observing where the smoke emerges.

Testing will take place on November 1, 2006 from 08:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Do not be alarmed if you see smoke emerging from your roof vents or your neighbors'. This is a normal occurrence with this testing procedure. The smoke will not enter your home if it is properly plumbed and vented. If smoke should enter your home, it indicates either defective plumbing or plugged roof vents. This should be corrected for your own safety. The smoke is clean and harmless and will clear within a few minutes with the proper ventilation.

If we find a problem on your property, you will be notified by letter. It is not necessary that you be home during the testing. We would appreciate it if your would mention this notice to your neighbors, should they not receive one, to prevent them from needless concern.

If you have any questions or require any additional information, please feel free to call Sanitation Operations at (831) 477-3907.

Yours truly,

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