

IS YOUR SUMP PUMP CONNECTED TO THE CITY'S SEWER SYSTEM??

Hyrum City prohibits sumps pumps from being connected to the City's Sewer System.
A violation of this ordinance is punishable by a fine of \$750.00 per day.

Hyrum City's sewer plant is still operating at maximum capacity. With extremely high snow totals and the ground is already saturated with water the City wants to be prepared for the spring run off. We need your help to eliminate sump pump water from being discharged into the City's sewer system in order to prevent sewage back-up into your home and others around you. If you have questions or concerns about your sump pump or a neighbors draining into the City's sewer system please contact the City Offices at 435-245-6033.

What is the Reason for Regulation? Sewer is the discharge from toilets, sinks, showers, bathtubs dishwashers and washing machines. People produce sewer and it must be treated at our Wastewater Treatment Plant. Groundwater or storm water is water from rain or snow. When soil becomes saturated ground water seeps into basements. Sump pumps are commonly used to remove this water. Sump pumps must not be connected to the City's Sewer System. Sump pump water must be discharged onto your lawn, garden area, or into the street but NEVER into the City's Sewer System.

Why? When sump pumps discharge into the sewer system flooding is often a result. The City's sewer system is not designed to handle the extra volume. This extra volume overloads the design capacity of the system which causes sewer lines to back up inside homes and businesses. Also wastewater needs to be treated -groundwater from sump pumps does not. When the volume of sewer is increased by the addition of groundwater from sump pumps the City's treatment costs increases significantly, which then mandates sewer rate increases to you the residents and business owners in Hyrum.

What should you do if your sump pump is connected to the Wastewater/Sewer System? Reroute the pipe so that it discharges onto your lawn, garden, into the City Street, or nearby stormwater retention basin. If you have questions or need advice on how to bring your sump pump into compliance you can contact the City Offices at 245-6033. However, Hyrum City will not disconnect your sump pump you as the property owner are responsible for either hiring a professional to help you or by doing it yourself.

If I ask for help will I be subject to the fine? No, as long as you take immediate steps to disconnect your sump pump from the sewer system. Hyrum City is giving all home owners and businesses until April 1, 2017 to disconnect all sump pumps from the City's Sewer/Wastewater System.

Are we the only City having this kind of problem? No all communities in Cache Valley are dealing with this same issue.

