



The Antietam Valley Municipal Authority (AVMA) is concerned about possible leaks in the sewer system. These leaks can allow large amounts of rainwater to enter the system.

In an effort to locate and correct the leaks, the AVMA plans to conduct smoke testing of the sanitary sewer system April 13, 2020 through May 29, 2020.

The AVMA has arranged to have the smoke testing performed by Pennsylvania Rural Water Association, a non-profit organization that provides assistance to municipal water and wastewater systems.

Homeowners are advised that any unused drains in homes or businesses should be filled with water on the days when the smoking is scheduled. During the testing, workers will be walking through neighborhoods to inspect for leaks.

The smoke which is used is harmless. Customers should not panic if they notice smoke and are advised to call and notify those working with the project to investigate the problem. This smoke is non-toxic, non-corrosive and will not leave an odor or a stain. If smoke enters a building, it will soon dissipate. Opening door and windows will help vent it outside. Any smoke entering a building should be reported to the workers conducting the test, by calling the AVMA office at 610-779-0150 or by contacting us via email at avma@comcast.net.