



## PLEASE INSPECT YOUR SEWER CLEANOUT CAP.

Sewer cleanouts and their caps play a vital role in the health of your home and our city's sewer system. Many people don't know what a sewer cleanout is, if they have one, or why they need one. Sewer cleanouts are typically made of plastic piping and are usually located within three to five feet of a business or home. The cleanout performs an important function, working as the access point to your sewer system. Access is important for sewer line cleaning, maintenance, and troubleshooting. Cleanouts typically have a removable cap to make accessing the sewer line easier. *It is a violation of the Arkansas State Plumbing Code to have a missing or damaged cleanout cap.*

**Make sure your sewer cleanout is accessible and that the cap is on tight and in good shape.** Missing or broken caps allow objects such as yard waste and litter to fall into the sewer lines causing messy and expensive backups. It also allows unwanted inflow of rain or residential water use from a variety of activities, including lawn watering and car washing, into the system. This excess inflow puts stress on our wastewater treatment plant and collection system and drives up operating and treatment costs.

The city is working to identify all sources of inflow in our sewer system to help solve this problem. Working together, we can save valuable resources.

For more information, call the Water/Wastewater Department at (479) 238-0927.

