

ATTENTION MATTAPAN AND DORCHESTER RESIDENTS

SEWER SMOKE TESTING

CORRECTION NOTICE: NEW DATES



Residents of Mattapan please be advised CDM Smith and Martinez Couch & Associates contractors for Boston Water and Sewer Commission (BWSC) will be smoke testing sewers to locate sources of storm water inflow entering the sanitary sewer system. Smoke testing will enable BWSC to locate direct and indirect connections from sources such as catch basins, roof drains, and broken sewer pipes.

The testing consists of introducing harmless non-toxic and non-staining white smoke into the sanitary sewer system at specific manholes that will vent from holes in manhole covers located on the street and vent pipes on or near your roof surface. This is normal during smoke testing.

Please be advised that persons with any type of heart or respiratory ailments should not be exposed to any smoke and are advised to contact Martinez Couch & Associates at 1-800-436-4364 prior to smoke testing commences in order that appropriate precautions can be taken.

In the event smoke should enter your home this may be a result from a trap in your basement that is dry, and water should be poured down fixtures to ensure the trap is effective. Be sure to ventilate your home for yourself and pets.

The list of streets affected can be found on BWSC's website www.bwsc.org, **testing begins the week of June 28 through July 9** (weekdays only) between the hours of 8:00 AM and 4:00 PM. Boston Fire Department and Boston Police Department will be advised of when and where smoke tests will be conducted.

For complaints or for more information on smoke testing, please call Mr. Adam Horst Project Director BWSC (617) 989-7433, Lizzy Norris Martinez Couch & Associates (860) 929 - 7635 and Jonathan Kunay at CDM Smith (617) 452-6583. Never let anyone gain entrance to your home unless they present a photo identification. All BWSC employees and contractors carry photo ID's. If you are unsure, please call BWSC's main number (617) 989 -7000 prior to allowing entry.