

**Installation of Sewer Service Lines:**

The Special District Statute, Title 32, Section 1-1006(1)(a)(I) allows the District to compel the owner of premises located within the boundaries of the District, to connect such owner's premises, in accordance with the State plumbing code, to the sewer of the District, if such sewer is within 400 feet of such premises. The Board of Directors has declared that the premises is the boundary line of the property in question. If such connection is not made, the Board may thereafter connect the premises to the sewer system and shall have a perpetual lien on and against the premises for the cost of making the connection, and any such lien may be foreclosed in the same manner as provided by the laws of this State for the foreclosure of mechanics' liens. A temporary variance from connection can be approved by the Board of Directors in situations where it is not economically feasible or physically impossible to make a connection.

Sewer service line installation and maintenance are the responsibility of the property owner. The type and diameter of pipe used for installation is 4" pvc. Sewer service lines commence at the property improvement served, and extend to the sewer tap at the sewer main. These service lines shall be installed by a private contractor at the request of the property owner. District regulations require that a connection to the sewer main shall be performed by a licensed plumber or contractor approved by the District. District personnel can give you information regarding the location of the closest sewer main to the property being connected, and its depth. Manholes nearest the property can also be located. District personnel do not give advice as to how to install or make a connection of a sewer service line.

**Sewer Tap**

A Sewer Tap is required to be purchased in order to utilize the sewer services of the District. The tap fee is considered an investment in the sewer system. The Tap Fee is paid to the District at the time that building plans, ready for submittal to the Grand County Building Department, are brought into the office for review and assessment and for sign-off by the District. The assessment will determine the number of single-family equivalents that will be required to be purchased. Each sfe is \$7,500 at this time, but can change at the approval of the Board of Directors. The Grand County Building Department requires that the District sign off on two sets of building plans.

**Sewer Connection Permit**

A Permit must be purchased which gives approval to tap the District's sewer main. Along with the Permit, the District issues a disconnect/reconnect valve and backflow preventer. This valve must be placed on the service line just inside the property boundary. The Permit fee that includes the valve is \$202.00, but can change slightly from time to time depending on the District's cost of the valve. A 6 inch PVC pipe extension as well as a 3/4 inch PVC pipe will be necessary to complete the valve installation. A Permit cannot be purchased without the Sewer Tap Fee having been paid. Most often, both the Tap Fee and the Permit Fee are paid at the same time.

The Permit requires the Contractor to contact the District when a tap has been made at the sewer main, so that District personnel may inspect it. District personnel will also inspect the disconnect/reconnect valve and backflow preventer on the sewer service line, and a drawing of the entire service line from the improvement to the sewer main, is made. The District keeps these records in house for fulfilling locate requirements in the future.

**Tracer Wire Requirement**

All service line installations shall be required to run a 16-gauge tracer wire securely attached at

regular intervals to the sewer line. If the line is greater than 6 feet deep, the tracer wire may be laid in the trench directly above the pipe at a depth not to exceed 6 feet. Wire ends are to be secured to the disconnect/reconnect valve. If a disconnect/reconnect valve is not required due to a manhole or lift station tap, the wire must be secured to a metal rod placed on the property line directly above the service line. Secure, waterproof connections shall be made between main line locate wires and service line locate wires at the location of the tap into the main.

### **Cleanouts**

Every sewer service line connected to the District facilities shall have constructed in the line, at the sole expense of the owner, a cleanout every 100 feet, of the same diameter as the sewer service line.

## **Sewer Main Extensions done by Property Owner**

### **Installation of Sewer Line in Public Right of Way**

In circumstances where it is beneficial to the District's public sewer system to have an 8 inch sewer main constructed, instead of a 4 inch service line to allow service to other properties not yet serviced, the District shall require that an 8 inch service main be installed in public right of ways, according to District specifications. The District may participate in the cost of this oversizing according to its policy on sewer main extensions..

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### **Disconnection of Sewer Service Lines**

A Disconnection Permit shall be issued whenever an improvement is to be disconnected from the public sewer. The Permit Fee is \$25.00. Disconnection is only at the approval of the District and can be for reasons such as a building being removed; the building was burned down, or was relocated. Proper procedures include purchase of the Permit, a sewer cap placed on the remaining sewer pipe, and inspection by District personnel.

### **Extension of Sewer mains:**

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See Chapter 10 of the District's Rules and Regulations for requirements for installation of sewer lines.

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