COCHITI COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (CCDC)

IMPORTANT WASTEWATER SYSTEM NOTICE

PLEASE HELP PROTECT OUR WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT

Residents, CCDC is asking all residents to **STOP FLUSHING OR DISPOSING OF MEDICAL SUPPLIES, WIPES, AND OTHER NON-FLUSHABLE MATERIALS INTO THE SEWER SYSTEM.**

Our wastewater treatment plant is experiencing problems caused by materials entering the wastewater system that **do not belong in the sewer.** These materials can clog pumps, damage equipment, interfere with the treatment process, and create additional maintenance costs for our community.

■ DO NOT FLUSH:

- Medical supplies or medical waste
- Medical gloves
- Bandages and gauze
- Needles, syringes, or other sharps
- Disposable medical pads or materials
- Baby wipes or disinfecting wipes
- "Flushable" wipes
- Paper towels
- Feminine hygiene products
- Diapers
- Cotton swabs
- Dental floss
- Cleaning rags or cloth materials
- Cat litter
- Trash or plastics
- Cigarette products
- Any other material that is not toilet paper

■ MEDICATIONS & PHARMACEUTICALS

Please do not flush medications or pour pharmaceuticals down sinks or toilets. Residents should use an appropriate drug take-back or medication disposal program whenever possible.

■ THE ONLY THINGS THAT SHOULD BE FLUSHED

HUMAN WASTE AND TOILET PAPER

THAT'S IT.

WHY THIS MATTERS

Our wastewater system is operated for the benefit of the entire community. When inappropriate materials enter the sewer:

CLOGGED PUMPS → EQUIPMENT DAMAGE → TREATMENT PROBLEMS → EMERGENCY REPAIRS → INCREASED COSTS

Our wastewater employees have to physically remove these materials from pumps and equipment. This creates unnecessary maintenance, additional expense, and safety concerns for our employees.

PLEASE DO YOUR PART

Before flushing anything, ask yourself: **"Is this human waste or toilet paper?"**

If the answer is **NO — DO NOT FLUSH IT.**

Please help us protect our wastewater treatment plant, our employees, and the community's infrastructure.

Thank you for your cooperation and for helping keep the wastewater system operating properly.

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