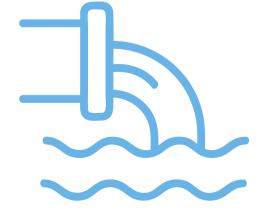


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>>> DEVELOPMENT

The recent System Development Fee Study by Willdan Financial determined that the FY23 fees were not conducive with recovering capital costs incurred by the utility for making service available to future customers. See the full document by following this <u>link</u>. The FY24 fee schedule effective July 1st, 2023 has been adjusted according, with some notable changes being the following:

- · New Categories Added
- Increase in all Existing System Development Fees

>>> COMPLIANCE

In an effort to promote permitted industry compliance and clarity in requirements, current and perspective industries can view the Industrial User Permit Basics presentation by following this <u>link</u>. It highlights the basics of understanding your permit, where to find answers when you have questions, and some tips to avoid common violations. Durham County Utilities Compliance unit would also like to welcome two new Significant Industrial Users in RTP; Cree LED and Wolfspeed - 40 Moore Drive.

WASTEWATER FACT

Durham County offers complimentary bulk distribution of reclaimed water for approved uses. Contact us to inquire and complete the mandatory training.

WASTEWATER JOKE

Wastewater jokes aren't my favorite, but they are a solid #2.

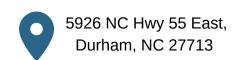
>>> OPEN POSITIONS

We are hiring! Pursue your passion for water quality and pivot into a career in public utilities. All of the County's open positions can be found and applied to at <u>County Careers link</u>. Contact us with any questions you may have. Currently Utilities is hiring:

- Project Manager
- <u>Utility Technician</u>
- Office Assistant







FOG HIGHLIGHT

>>> WHAT IS FOG?

FOG stands for the Fats, Oils, and Grease that typically is generated by cooking. These pose a large threat to the condition of the sewer system when not disposed of properly.

To Prevent Clogs: Don't Pour FOG

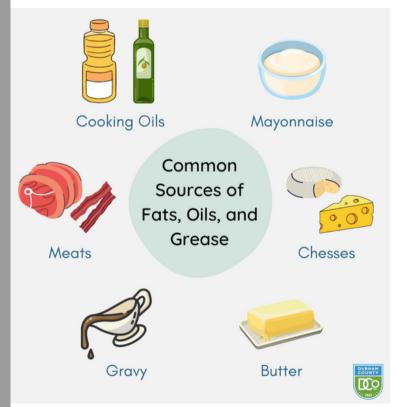
Pouring Fats, Oils, and Grease (FOG) down the drain causes sewer blockages.





Instead, pour into a grease collection container and dispose of in the garbage.





>>> FOG POLLUTION

FOG hardens once poured down the drain and sticks to the sides of sewer pipes. This causes a blockage that leads to a backup in the line. This can cause Sanitary Sewer Overflows (SSOs) that are dangerous for people and the environment. To protect the collection system, it is best to prevent FOG from entering the drain.





