

Smoke Testing Notice

Pennsylvania Rural Water Association has been contracted by Carmichaels-Cumberland Joint Sewer Authority to conduct a smoke test assessment of the sewer system on Monday, July 21, 2025, and Tuesday, July 22, 2025. The smoke testing could be delayed if heavy rains are persistent and soak the ground. If so, later dates may need to be scheduled for this testing.

This smoke testing assessment will assist in locating breaks and defects in our sewer system. A non-toxic smoke will be introduced into a manhole and forced down the sewer lines with a blower. Smoke will escape the system at any point where there is an open break in the line. For example, smoke may rise from the ground in yards, stream banks, storm drains, etc. Smoke will also escape from all manhole lids, vents on building/home roofs, cleanouts, or foundations in the area where the testing is being conducted. Be advised that smoke can enter your home, office, or place of business. Should smoke enter your building or home, open windows for ventilation and contact the crew working in the area.

You do not have to be on-site during testing.

The smoke is:

- Non-toxic non-staining.
- White to grey in color with a slight odor.
- Not a fire hazard.

It is advisable to pour a gallon of water into every sink, tub, and floor drain that is not subject to everyday use. This will fill the P-Traps and prevent smoke from entering the building or home.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call CCJSA at 724-966-5800.

Sincerely,

CARMICHAELS-CUMBERLAND JOINT SEWER AUTHORITY

Charles J. Nester Superintendent