



# REDUCE YOUR ANNUAL FATS, OILS, AND GREASE FEE BY \$350!!

Lake Stevens Restaurants and Food Preparers, did you know that you can reduce your annual FOG fee from \$500 to as low as \$150 if you provide the district with proof of training, and maintenance on an annual basis? Complete the Employee FOG Control Training using the FOG training log provided on our website. Provide documentation of grease trap/interceptor cleaning either professionally by providing a receipt or if self-cleaning by sending scans of maintenance logs available on our website: [www.lkstevenssewer.org](http://www.lkstevenssewer.org). Send all documentation by email to:

[fog@lkstevenssewer.org](mailto:fog@lkstevenssewer.org)

For more information please contact our office.

In August we created an experiment to prove that wipes should not be flushed down your toilet. We took 4 bottles, filled them with water and put a different kind of wipe in each. We asked our customers to shake the bottles as much as possible while they were in our lobby. This mimicked the wipes moving through the pipes in our system. The experiment lasted 90 days. We were not surprised by the results. There was one wipe that did breakdown. Not the one that said it was flushable but the Cottonelle brand. Even though it broke down you can still see the fibers that could cause a blockage if you were to flush multiple wipes. Three of the wipes never broke down and show no signs of doing so. You can see in the pictures that the flushable wipe is fully intact. Do not flush any wipes no matter the description, it just isn't safe.

Fully intact wipes after 90 days in water. One is labeled as flushable on the label.

The one wipe that broke down but you can still see the fibers that could cause a blockage.

## Mark Your Calendars

**December**  
Regular Board Meetings: 2nd & 4th Tuesday @ 9am

Office closed on:  
24th & 25th: Christmas Eve & Day

**January**  
Regular Board Meetings: 2nd & 4th Thursday @ 9am

Office closed on:  
1st: New Year's Day  
20th: Martin Luther King Day

**February**  
Regular Board Meetings: 2nd & 4th Thursday @ 9am

Office closed on:  
17th: Presidents Day

All meetings subject to change, please check [www.lkstevenssewer.org](http://www.lkstevenssewer.org) calendar for updates

*Mission: Meeting the challenge of protecting the environment and providing quality sewer service to the community*