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FARMINGTON TO PERFORM SMOKE TESTING

Farmington, Missouri (January 20, 2016) –The City of Farmington is going to be performing smoke testing the first week of February at the Farmington Correctional Center and Mineral Area Hospital campus.

Periodic smoke testing is necessary to look for sources of inflow and infiltration (I & I). Potential sources of I & I include illegal downspout or sump pump connections directly to the sewer system, broken sewer laterals, broken sewer mains, and leaky manholes. This is a normal operation for sanitary sewer systems.

A special non-toxic smoke will be used in these tests. The smoke is manufactured for this purpose; it leaves no residuals or stains, and has no effect on plant or animal life. The smoke has a distinctive, but not unpleasant, odor. Visibility and odor last only a few minutes, where there is adequate ventilation.

Please call the Public Works Office at (573)756-0608 with any questions or concerns.