Sewer Smoke Testing on Elk Valley Road and Bertsch to Oceanview Area

September 12, 2025

Starting on September 15th, 2025, the County of Del Norte will conduct specialized testing of its sewer system through non-toxic smoke testing.

Expect to see non-toxic smoke in the air and coming from the ground and sewer systems.

Please make sure that you put at least 3 cups of water down each drain, toilet, sink, or any feature that drains to the sewer system. This will ensure that your p-traps are full which will prevent smoke from entering your residence or structures.

During the testing there will be field technicians on-site. Individual residences will be notified 24 hours prior to testing on their street.

More information is available at https://www.co.del-norte.ca.us/departments/engineeringsurveying.

If you have any questions, you may contact the Surveying and Engineering Division at (707) 464-7229 from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Monday through Friday.