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Pigeon Forge Public Works Department Urges Caution

The Pigeon Forge Sewer Treatment Plant is urging all residents and visitors to avoid flushing sanitation wipes, including those marked “flushable” and/or “disposable.” Many bathroom tissue alternatives, including paper towels and facial tissues, can harm local sewer lines. The “flushable” wipes concern is heightened due to ongoing efforts to disinfect amid the COVID-19 outbreak.

Only products specifically labeled as “toilet paper” and/or “bathroom tissue,” whether being used for personal hygiene purposes or for wiping and cleaning surfaces, can safely be flushed. Other products make the city’s sewage system susceptible to a buildup of foreign materials and potential interruptions in service.

The following items should never be flushed:

- Paper towels
- Napkins
- Wet wipes/baby wipes
- Facial tissues
- Trash
- Kitchen oils
- Gloves
- Cloth towels
- Feminine hygiene items

For more information, please contact your local municipal public works representative at [865-428-3558](tel:865-428-3558), or visit the municipal website at cityofpigeonforge.com.

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