## **GET A GRANT** TO REPAIR SEWER PIPES ON PRIVATE PROPERTY

Inflow and infiltration is clear water – stormwater and groundwater – that enters the wastewater system. It overloads the system and can cause costly sewer backups into homes and buildings. These backups are messy and expensive, requiring you to repair the sewer pipe and restore any affected areas of your home.

## HELP KEEP THE REGION'S WASTEWATER SYSTEM EFFICIENT AND COST-EFFECTIVE.

## The average cost of lining these sewer pipes, a common repair method, is \$9,000.

Beyond this personal expense, excess inflow and infiltration has additional community and environmental impacts. The Met Council and local communities have invested billions of dollars to successfully remove excess clear water from public infrastructure connected to the wastewater system, but evidence of inflow and infiltration still exists. That's why the Metropolitan Council now has funding to offer grants to help with those costly repairs.

## 🛃 Here's how you can help

Stormwater and groundwater can enter the wastewater system through pipes on private property that connect a home or business to the larger system. Areas where this clear water can enter the system on private property are shown in the accompanying figure.

Your community is participating in this Met Council grant program to help you with the costs of repairing those pipes and other infrastructure that may be contributing clear water to the wastewater system.



Reach out to your city or township to learn more

and see if you are eligible for a grant award to help with this important property maintenance.



Metropolitan Council Environmental Services More information about inflow and infiltration. https://metrocouncil.org/iandi

