

**Lake Arrowhead Community Services District**  
Your Partner for Water Conservation

# Anti-Flood Program

Protect your home and business from sewage back-ups. Ask for a free inspection.



# Lake Arrowhead Community Services District Provide, protect and

Not only are sewage back-ups unpleasant, they also can be destructive and costly. Learn whether you are at risk and what you need to do to protect your home or business by calling customer service at (909) 336-7100.

## **Unfortunately, sewage back-ups and overflows happen in wastewater systems.**

Some back-ups are from behavioral and environmental factors, including:

- Tree roots (60 %)
- Customer disposal of Fats, Oil, and Grease (FOG) down household drains (25%)
- Topography and slope of the pipelines and the properties served (1%)

Other factors are system-related:

- Age and deterioration of sewer pipelines (5%)
- Multiple connections to a single lateral (3%)
- Absence of sewer anti-flood devices on individual properties (5%)
- Miscellaneous (1%)

## **Are you at risk?**

A private sewer lateral or house lateral connects your drains to the District's sewer collection pipeline, usually located under the street or near the property line. Your private sewer lateral is owned and maintained by you as the property owner, including any part that extends into the street or public right of way, until it connects to the District main sewer line.



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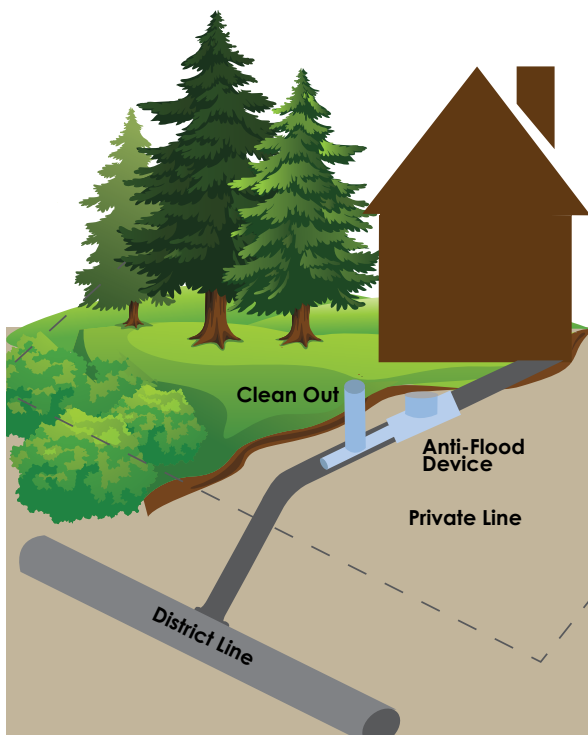
When your sewer lateral is blocked, the sewage flows backward. The only two places where backflow can emerge are at a clean-out outside the house or, unfortunately, at the lowest drain inside your house.

## Protect your home or business

Protect your property by installing an outside clean-out along with an approved anti-flooding device.

**Lake Arrowhead Community Services District offers free inspections** to determine whether an anti-flooding device is needed to protect a home or business from back-ups.

Costs to install an anti-flood device may range from \$50-\$400 depending on the extent of protection required for your system. You'll gain peace of mind and protection against even more costly sewage destruction.





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