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WHAT HAPPENS AFTER YOU FLUSH?

Most of us don't give much thought to what happens after we flush a toilet, run the dishwasher or take a shower. And that's exactly how a reliable wastewater system should feel.

Behind every flush is a carefully managed system working around the clock.

Wastewater travels from homes and businesses through the collection system to St. Vrain's treatment facility. Moving through treatment processes, we ensure impurities are removed before it is safely returned to the environment.

Keeping that system working takes pipes, equipment, operators, testing, maintenance, planning, and people monitoring every day.

That's what happens after you flush. And we make sure you don't have to think twice about it.

Chris's Corner

YOUR DISTRICT MANAGER

Welcome to The St. Vrain Standard - our newsletter's new name and look after 18 years of keeping you posted. Same mission, more visible.

When you think wastewater, you may picture pipes and equipment. I think about people - our operations, maintenance, lab and administrative teams keeping our systems safe and reliable.

Their work happens above and below ground.

Above, our teams operate facilities, maintain equipment, monitor water quality, and plan for the future. Below, miles of infrastructure quietly carry wastewater away from homes and businesses for safe treatment. Most of this happens out of sight - protecting public health, our environment, and our communities along the way.

In coming months, we'll take you above and below ground to introduce the people, places, and infrastructure that safeguard reliable wastewater.

We're proud of the system we operate, and especially the people who make it work.



Sincerely,

Chris Kampmann, District Manager



Know Your System **CEASE THE GREASE**

Holiday cooking is right around the corner, which means more fats, oils, and grease in our kitchens.

Pouring them down the drain may seem harmless, but as grease cools, it can harden and build up inside pipes, contributing to clogs and sewer backups. Instead: Cool it. Can it. Trash it.

Let grease cool, place it in a container, and throw it in the trash.

A small step in your kitchen will protect your pipes and our wastewater system.

Featured Story **BEHIND THE FLOW**

Taylor has spent more than seven years with SVSD - starting as an Operator in 2019, advancing through Lead Operator and Assistant Plant Manager, and the Plant Manager role this year. Taylor got his start as a laboratory technician, and that attention to detail still shows.

"I got my start working in a laboratory testing for infectious diseases, but I had a strong interest and passion for the wastewater field. Once, St. Vrain (Sanitation District) gave me that opportunity, I never looked back. Now I oversee the entire plant, but the purpose of the work is still the same: protecting public health and making sure what goes back to the creek is clean."



Beyond the plant, Taylor safely returns treated water to the environment, protecting public health today and securing resources for tomorrow.



Taylor Giarritano | Plant Manager

Community Update **BY THE NUMBERS**

There's more behind every flush than you might think. Every day, we treat about 3.5 million gallons of wastewater safely - quietly, before it's clean enough to return to St. Vrain Creek.

16,283 connections
across our district.

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CONNECTIONS

3.5 MGD
(MILLION GALLONS/DAY WITH CAPACITY TO GROW)

8,000
MANHOLES

260
MILES OF COLLECTION



Engage With Us ON THE CALENDAR

Where to find us this fall and winter:

Chamber Before Hours Event | October 21, 2026
starting at 7:00 a.m.

The SVSD Board of Directors meets the third Wednesday of every month at 9:00 a.m. at the District office. Meetings are open to the public.

**Revised Date Budget Approval December 10th*

Please note the following holidays we will be closed:

November 11 | Veterans Day
November 26 - 27 | Thanksgiving and day after
December 24 - 25 | Christmas Eve and Christmas
January 1, 2027 | Happy New Year!

Wishing you a safe and happy holiday season!

Please reach out at anytime:

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