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Don't Turkey Your Drain

Proper Medication Disposal

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**Love Your Pipes** - The drains in your home aren't something you think about each day; yet dumping certain items down your drain can result in sewer backups and costly repairs for both homeowners and sewer authorities.

**Don't Turkey Your Drain** - Fats, oils, and grease (FOG) should not be poured down the kitchen sink, as they can cause clogged pipes, backups, and necessitate costly repairs. These materials can harden as they travel through pipes, and stick to the interior walls, creating a drag on water flow, and eventually, clogging altogether. FOG should be disposed of in the trashcan.

**Can the Wipes!** - "Flushable" wipes are becoming increasingly popular – and are causing backups in homes across the U.S. These wipes should be disposed of in the trashcan, not the toilet. They can clog up pipes, and get tangled in pumps and sewer equipment, causing sewer backups, and costly repairs for homeowners and wastewater utilities alike. "Flushable" wipes, along with baby wipes, dental floss, mop refills, paper towels, towelettes, and cleaning wipes also should be put into the trashcan. Only #1, #2, and toilet paper – the "3Ps" should be flushed. Save yourself and your wastewater utility from a pain in the drain – flush only the 3Ps!

**Unused Medication -** Unwanted and unused medication can present opportunities for environmental contamination, drug abuse and accidental poisonings. Pharmaceuticals should not be flushed down the toilet or poured down the sink – wastewater treatment facilities are not equipped to treat these materials. For pharmaceutical drop-off information in Brown County, please visit: Brown County Sheriff's Prescription Drug Collection Program.

**Household Hazardous Waste -** Hazardous waste items like paints, cleaners, and pesticides should not go down the drain. These items should be properly disposed of at the Brown County Household Hazardous Waste Facility. For more information please visit their website: Brown County Household Hazardous Waste Facility.

NEW Water is a wholesale provider of wastewater treatment and conveyance services to municipal customers throughout Northeast Wisconsin.

## Questions regarding your sewer service?

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