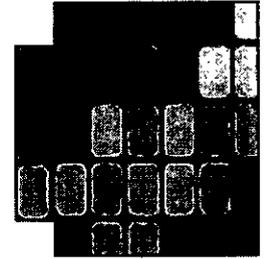


# Regional Private Sewer Lateral Program



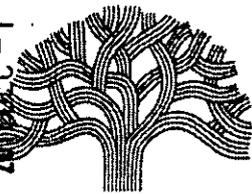
*A Joint Effort by*

**East Bay Municipal Utility District  
Environmental Protection Agency  
Regional Water Quality Control Board  
City of Oakland**

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# Regional PSL Program Overview



- Why is this program required?
- Who is affected?
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- What is a private sewer lateral?
- What does the new law require?
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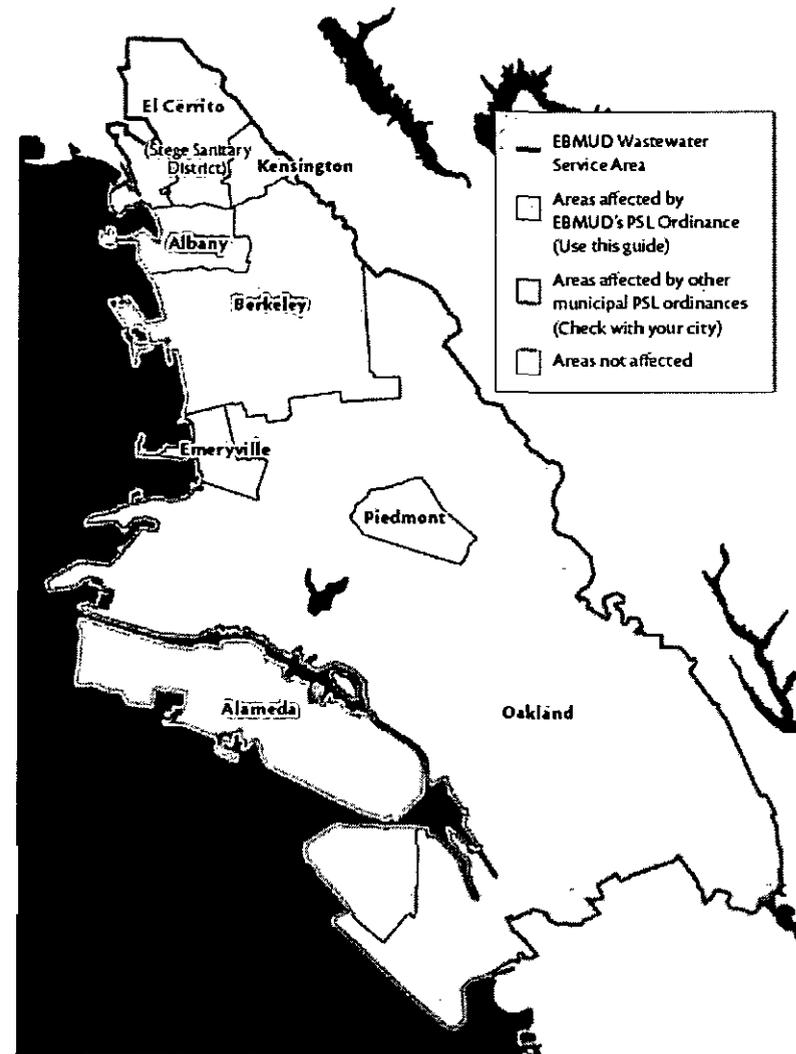
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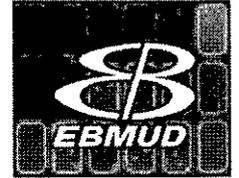
- EPA and the State have required EBMUD and its satellite cities to develop a Regional Private Sewer Lateral Program
- New State and Federal regulations require a reduction in the pollution of the San Francisco Bay
- When old cracked sewer pipes do not function properly, stormwater flows enter the sewer system
- Infiltration of rainwater can overwhelm wastewater treatment facilities and may cause partially treated or untreated sewage to be released into San Francisco Bay

# Who is affected?

- Oakland, Piedmont, Emeryville and the Stege Sanitary District
  - *Albany, Alameda and Berkeley will manage their own programs*
- Applies to all property types



# City of Oakland PSL Ordinance

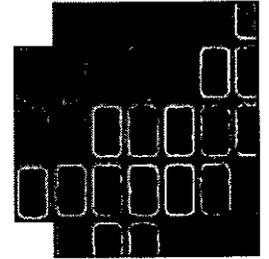


- On July 6, 2010, the Oakland City Council adopted an ordinance enforcing EBMUD's Regional Ordinance

City of Oakland Ordinance 13026 :

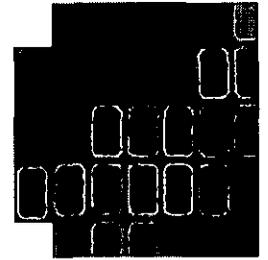
*An Ordinance Adopting East Bay Municipal Utility District's Private Sewer Lateral Regional Ordinance Establishing Requirements for Property Owners to Inspect and Certify Private Sewer Laterals at the Time of Property Transfer, Major Remodel and Change in Water Service*

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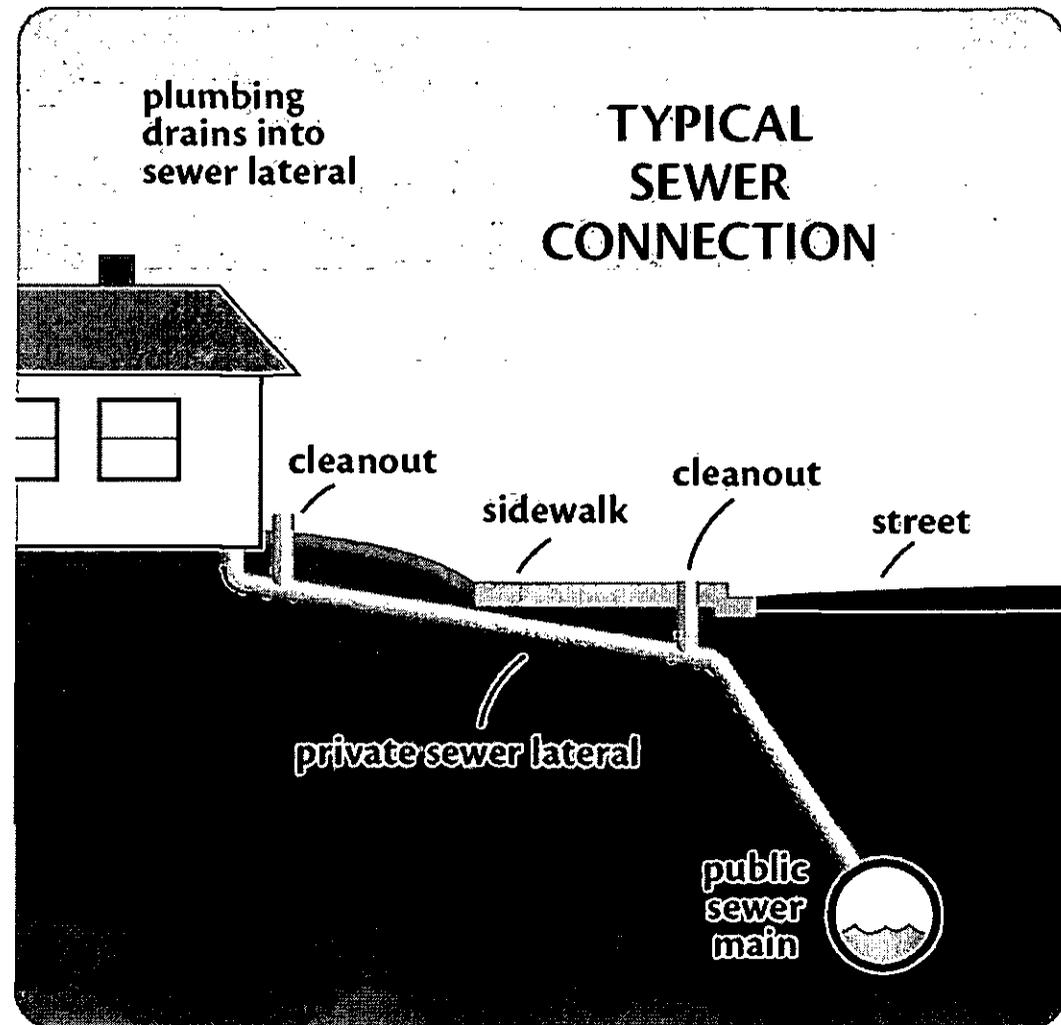


AGENCY	START DATE
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Piedmont</li><li>• Emeryville</li></ul>	August 22, 2011
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Oakland</li></ul>	January 16, 2012

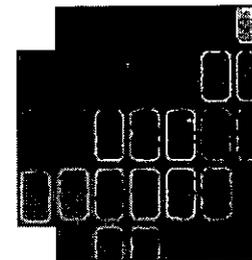
# What is a private sewer lateral?



The pipe that transports waste from private property to the city's sewer system



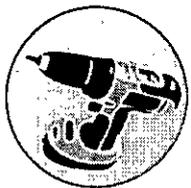
# What does the new law require?



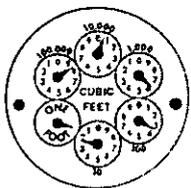
- Requires property owners to obtain a Compliance Certificate from EBMUD as proof that their private sewer laterals are without defects and improper connections when:



selling their property

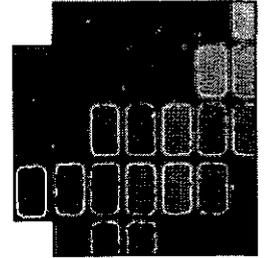


performing construction or remodeling valued greater than \$100,000, or



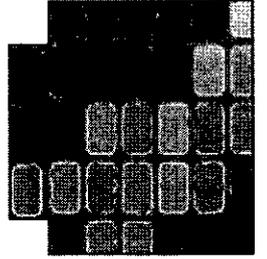
increasing/decreasing water meter size

# Special requirements / exemptions



1. Time extension - up to 6 mos. (*For Property Sale only and requires \$4500 to be deposited with EBMUD*)
2. Exemption - if the PSL is less than 10 years old
3. Multi-unit complexes with individually-owned units, e.g. condominiums, have a 10-year window to comply

# What will property owners need to do?



Step 1: Check lateral condition

Step 2: Obtain city permits

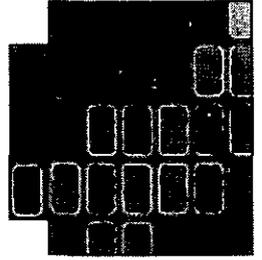
Step 3: Have any required work done

Step 4: Schedule an EBMUD verification test

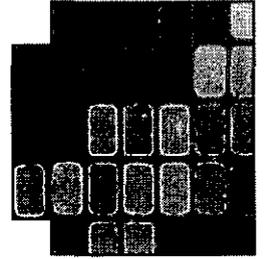
Step 5: Pass the verification test and print Certificate

Step 6: Present a copy of the Compliance Certificate  
as part of property-related transaction

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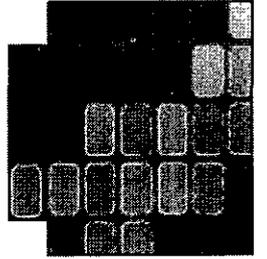
- Hire a plumbing contractor to check the lateral condition (usually done by video)
- If the lateral *does not* require repair, schedule an appointment for an EBMUD verification test
- If it *does* require repair, plan and schedule the repair work



## Step 2: Obtain City Permits

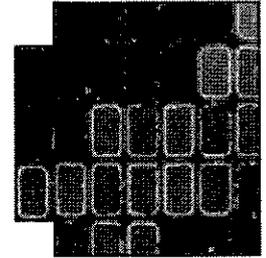
- City permits are required for sewer work
- Contractor may apply for permits on behalf of the property owner

# Step 3: Complete required work



- The contractor will repair or replace lateral
- City will inspect the lateral to make sure it is in compliance with building codes and public works standards

# Step 4: Schedule an EBMUD verification test online



- Schedule EBMUD verification test appointment online
  - Property owners or contractors may complete this step
  - EBMUD will verify that the fixed lateral does not leak
- Pay \$150 Compliance Certificate fee
  - pay online with a credit card
  - If no online access, pay with cash or check at EBMUD's Oakland Office

**EAST BAY REGIONAL PRIVATE SEWER LATERAL PROGRAM**

Property Address: 760 11TH ST OAKLAND Parcel Number: 002-0069-022-00

Owner Name: Owner Email: EBMUD Acct No:

Owner Phone:

### Reservation Request for PSL Inspection for Compliance Certificate

Please enter the following information (\* = required):

Contractor Company that will perform the verification test\*:

Contractor Phone\*:

Contractor Mobile Phone:

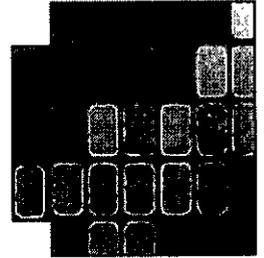
Special Instructions:

Please select an inspection appointment window from the following\*:

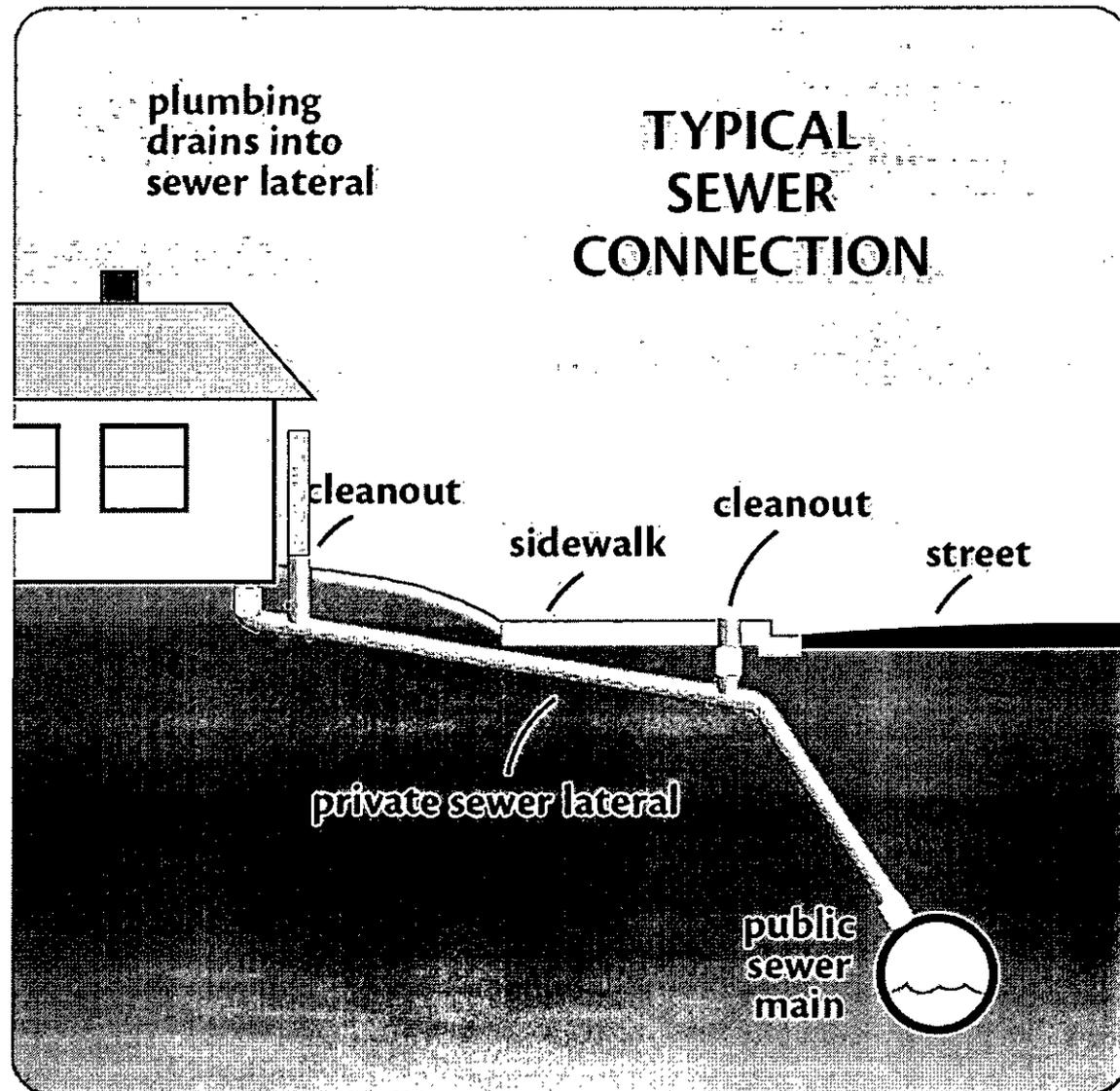
(Contractor must be ready for the inspection at the beginning of the appointment window)  
Warning: Any changed or cancelled reservation within 48 hours of the appointment will forfeit your fee.

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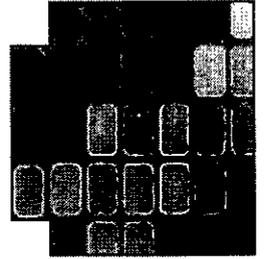
# EBMUD verification test



EBMUD will witness a water or air pressure test (verification test) to confirm that the repaired or replaced lateral is free of leaks

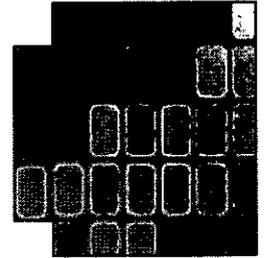


# Step 5: Pass inspection and print Compliance Certificate



- After passing verification test, the EBMUD inspector immediately sends the results to the PSL Online System
- Compliance Certificate is ready to print or download

# Sample Compliance Certificate



**EAST BAY  
MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT**

**Regional Private Sewer  
Lateral Program**

## Compliance Certificate for Private Sewer Lateral

Parcel Address: **1234 ANY STREET, ANYCITY**

Certificate Number: **888**

Parcel Number: **000-000-000-0**

Issue Date: **11/17/2011**

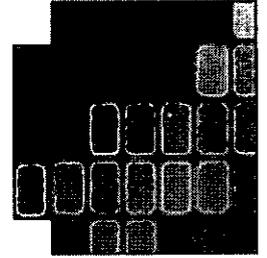
Expiration Date: **11/17/2031**

Type: **Compliance: replaced Lateral**

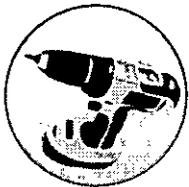
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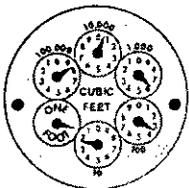
# Step 6: Give a copy of Compliance Certificate to:



Real estate agent -  
*so that title can be transferred*  
or

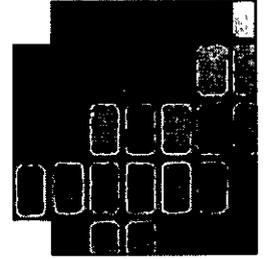


City Building Department -  
*to get final building permit signed off*  
or



EBMUD New Business Office -  
*to have the work order for new  
water meter processed*

# Compliance Certificate Terms



- Passed verification test with or without repairs = 7 years
- Passed verification test after full lateral replacement = 20 years

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