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Subject: City of Grass Valley FOG (Fats, Oils and Grease) Program

Dear Business Owner:

You are receiving this letter because you are listed as a Food Service Establishment (FSE) in the City of Grass Valley and are required to have and maintain a Fats, Oils and Grease (FOG) removal system per City of Grass Valley Municipal Code Section 13.20.051 (https://www.municode.com/library/ca/grass_valley/codes/code_of_ordinances?nodeId=TI_T13PUSE_CH13.20INWA_13.20.051REREOTCOCOFA). Most restaurants and commercial food facilities in the City of Grass Valley have and maintain some type of FOG removal system; however, few restaurants are currently in compliance with the record keeping portion of the City's FOG Program. This letter is the first step to increase compliance, create awareness regarding the impact of FOG to the City's sewer system, reduce ratepayer dollars spent cleaning the sewer system and lift stations and reduce the risk of sanitary sewer overflows.

To make it easy to comply with FOG requirements, the City of Grass Valley, working with Carmody Software, has developed an online FOG Program (<http://gvp.carmody.co>) for FSE registration and waste hauler record keeping. **There is no charge to the FSE or Waste Hauler to register and use the City's online FOG Program.**

In January 2017, expect to receive a letter requiring FSE registration and FOG removal record-keeping using the City's online FOG Program by the deadline of March 31, 2017. You may register now at <http://gvp.carmody.co> if you'd like. Additional outreach to FSE's will occur in the following months.

Starting in June 2017, the City of Grass Valley will begin conducting inspections of 1/3 of FSE grease removal systems operating in the city. The inspection will require a site visit to verify the number and size of the grease removal systems in operation. There will be no charge to the food service establishment for the inspection and you will be notified in advance of the inspection. If corrections are necessary, the food service establishment will be given a timeframe to make the correction. All FSE's are expected to be inspected by the end of 2019.

Additional information regarding the FOG Program is available at <http://gvp.carmody.co>. If you have any questions or comments about how we might assist you in fulfilling this requirement, please contact Trisha Tillotson with the City of Grass Valley Engineering

Division at 530-274-4352 or trishat@cityofgrassvalley.com . We thank you in advance for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

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Engineering Division

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