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Citizen Questionnaire City of Bloomfield, Iowa

The City of Bloomfield is developing a plan to improve the sanitary sewer system in hopes to lower the amount of clean water being treated at the wastewater treatment plant and keep operating costs as low as possible. During a single rainfall event, over 2.5 million gallons of clean water (rainfall, snowmelt, runoff) enters the City's sewer system. This additional volume of water is then treated at the wastewater treatment plant, causing operating costs to increase significantly. Sewer operating costs are ultimately paid by residents via sewer user fees – so the less water to treat, the lower the sewer user fees.

As part of this effort, we are requesting that all residents and business owners complete the following questionnaire to help shape our approach as we plan future infrastructure improvements. This form should take 2-3 minutes to complete. If you would prefer to fill out an online survey, please visit www.cityofbloomfield.org. If you have questions or would like to schedule an inspection of your property, please contact Jeremy Walker, Wastewater Superintendent, at 641-664-9658 or jeremy.walker@cityofbloomfield.org.

Please provide your property address below to help us identify specific areas of concern:

1. Which category below best describes the day-to-day use of this property?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial | <input type="checkbox"/> Single-Family Home | <input type="checkbox"/> Government Use | <input type="checkbox"/> Apartment/Condominium | <input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural Use |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial | <input type="checkbox"/> Townhouses or Row Housing | <input type="checkbox"/> Medical Use | <input type="checkbox"/> Vacant Land | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ |

2a. Have you ever noticed ponding near this property (on the road, in your yard, etc.) during rainfall events?

- Yes No I'm not sure

2b. If you answered "Yes" to the previous question, please briefly describe where ponding occurs:

3a. Have you ever experienced any sewer backups at this property?

- Yes No I'm not sure

3b. If you answered "Yes" to the previous question, how frequent are these backups?

4. Which of the following items on the property are connected to the sewer system? (choose all that apply)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Downspouts | <input type="checkbox"/> Sump Pump | <input type="checkbox"/> Basement Floor Drains | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drain Tile (Agricultural) | <input type="checkbox"/> House Foundation Drain Tile | <input type="checkbox"/> I'm not sure | |

5. How would you rate the importance of improving the City’s sewer infrastructure to reduce pollution in the nearby streams and rivers? (circle one)

- Very important
- Somewhat important
- Not very important
- Not important at all

6. Which of the following best describes your feelings about the sanitary sewer user fees? (circle one)

- I don’t know why I have to pay this fee.
- I understand why I pay this fee, but it’s too expensive.
- I understand why I pay this fee, and the amount seems fair.
- Other, please briefly explain. _____

7. Are you aware that the City of Bloomfield is under a Consent Order with the Environmental Protection Agency to reduce the occurrence of sanitary sewer overflows into nearby water bodies?

- Yes No I’m not sure

8a. Would you like to receive updates on the infrastructure improvement plans and be invited to public meetings to learn about the process and provide input?

- Yes No I’m not sure

8b. If you answered “Yes” to the previous question, please provide your contact information below:

Name: _____
Phone Number: _____
Email Address: _____

Completed questionnaires can be returned to the City of Bloomfield by mailing or dropping off the form at City Hall (111 W. Franklin St.) or by scanning and emailing the form to the City Clerk at sandy.jones@cityofbloomfield.org.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION!