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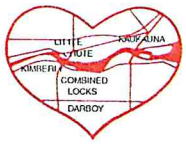

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MARCH 23, 2020

HEART OF THE VALLEY METROPOLITAN SEWERAGE DISTRICT

DECLARES STATE OF EMERGENCY

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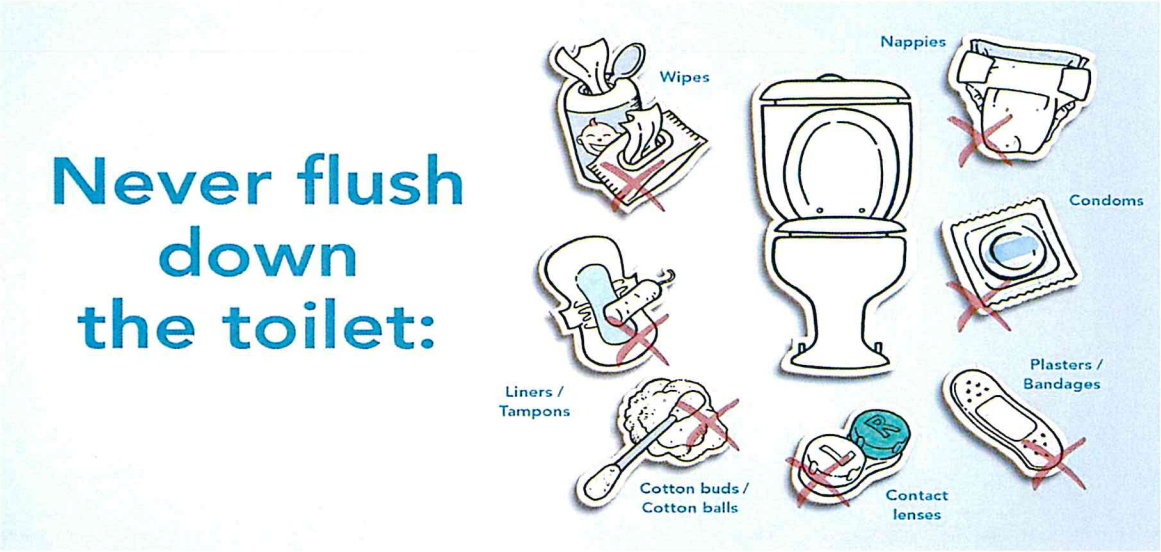
The Commission of the Heart of the Valley Metropolitan Sewerage District adopted Resolution #187, which declares a State of Emergency due to a public health emergency caused by the COVID-19 virus (Coronavirus).

Starting March 24th, the HOVMSD office will be closed to visitors and office staff will be working remotely as much as possible. Even though our buildings are closed to the public and on-site office staffing is limited, services will continue as normal.

Wastewater treatment operations, maintenance, and laboratory functions will continue as normal in order to protect the public health and comply with all NPDES discharge permit requirements. On site plant staff schedule date and times will be varied to limit interaction and exposure to each other and meet CDC recommendations to limit the spread of COVID-19.

All residents can do their part in ensuring reliable transmission and treatment of the discharges to HOVMSD. We ask that you only flush items that are compatible with the wastewater treatment process.



Further questions or concerns can be directed to Brian Helminger, District Director.

RESOLUTION NO. 187

A RESOLUTION DECLARING A STATE OF EMERGENCY AT THE HEART OF THE VALLEY METROPOLITAN SEWERAGE DISTRICT PURSUANT TO WISCONSIN STATE STATUTE SEC. 200.11

WHEREAS, a novel strain of the coronavirus now named Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) was detected and has spread throughout the United States, including the State of Wisconsin; and

WHEREAS, the Heart of the Valley Metropolitan Sewerage District operates and maintains critical processes and infrastructure that must remain in continuous operation to protect the public health and meet its obligations under NPDES Permit WI-0031232-09; and

WHEREAS, the emergency may cause the Heart of the Valley Metropolitan Sewerage District to expend or commit all of its available resources; and

WHEREAS, the Heart of the Valley Metropolitan Sewerage District may ask for State or Federal assistance due to emergency conditions;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Commission that for the safety considerations of our member communities and employees, the Heart of the Valley Metropolitan Sewerage District declares a State of Emergency pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes Sec. 200.11 and hereby proclaims:

- Authorizes emergency purchases of goods, supplies, and chemicals
- Authorizes emergency purchases of services
- Authorizes emergency costs to the labor force
- Authorizes remote attendance of Open Meetings by appointed officials via telephone or video conference

This Resolution shall take effect immediately and shall continue in effect until a quorum of the Heart of the Valley Metropolitan Sewerage District Commission convenes and takes action to resume normal operations.

Approved and Adopted: March 23, 2020

HEART OF THE VALLEY METROPOLITAN SEWERAGE DISTRICT

David J. Casper

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