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## Training Announcement

### Sewer Backups: How to Respond Under the New Regulations

### Sewage seeps into homes

Sanitation Dist. admits mishap

By RACHEL BASKIN-ZRIHEN  
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“Holy crap, what a mess!” That’s what  
71-year-old Pollyanna “Peggy”

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#### Sewage spill met with hefty fine

By Mike Taugher  
CONTRA COSTA TIMES

State regulators have hit an East Bay utility with a large fine for spilling 10.6 million gallons of raw sewage into San Francisco Bay last winter, the biggest sewage spill in the Bay in nearly a decade.

**FACT: NEW Sanitary Sewer Management Plan (SSMP) REGULATIONS** From the State Water Resources Board Require Owner/Operators of Sanitary Sewer Collection Systems to Have an Emergency Response Plan Addressing Sewer Overflows & Backups.

**FACT:** The average cost of sewer backup claims has risen from \$4,000 in 1998 to over \$20,000 in 2006 for many Cities and Sanitation Districts!

**FACT:** How your staff responds to backups greatly influences the cost of sewer backup claims!

**FACT:** In 2006, a CA Appellate Court Created a New Test for Inverse Condemnation Related To Sewer Backups

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**CJPRMA is sponsoring a ½-day seminar on the new regulatory requirements and on effectively responding to and managing sanitary sewer overflows and backups. This seminar is designed to arm you with the tools necessary to reduce your risks related to overflows and backups, improve safety and help meet the new SSMP regulatory requirements.**

*Who should attend:* Risk Managers, Public Works Directors, Sewer Collections System Management Staff

Visit the training page at [www.cjprma.org](http://www.cjprma.org) to register. Deadline for registration is January 14, 2008.

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