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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: COVID-19 IMPACTS ON MUNICIPAL SEWER

**KINGS COUNTY, NS:** With the rapidly rising use of sanitizing and disposable wipes amid the COVID-19 crisis, the Municipality of the County of Kings reminds residents and businesses of the importance of NOT flushing wipes of any sort-including those labelled "Flushable" or "Biodegradable".

We are already seeing impacts on our municipal sewer system due to the increase in usage of these and other products. Pump Stations are being blocked and disabled and the only way to clear the obstruction is to physically handle the pump and remove the sewer debris by hand.

This unnecessary action puts you, your home and/or business at risk of a sewer backup. It is also an avoidable and unpleasant use of resources. The Municipality of the County of Kings thanks our staff for their continued efforts in keeping municipal services and infrastructure functioning. We ask the public to please do your part and keep wipes and products of all sorts out of the sewer system.

For information on Novel Coronavirus (Covid-19) including social distancing, self isolation, when to get help and more, please visit novascotia.ca/coronavirus.

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