## **FLUSHABLE WIPES**

We in the business know very well the problems created by the "flushable wipe". We've tried for years to educate the public at events like the New Jersey League of Municipalities that indiscriminate flushing of greases and wipes can be costly problems to collection systems; then ultimately to the public. A bittersweet consequence of the COVID-19 pandemic is an increase in the flushing of non-degradable wipes. Bitter, because it has increased maintenance issues with our systems. Sweet, because it has gained increased attention with the public. Several news organizations have publicized the problems. There has also been an increased awareness of the problem provided by municipalities. Below is a generic brochure prepared by CDM Smith that is being used for public notice. With luck, the newly gained exposure will have a lasting effect.

## **Preventing Backups**

Help maintain a healthy sewer system in our community

We continue to be proactive in our response to Coronavirus (COVID-19).

Due to this public health emergency our equipment is experiencing blockages from "flushable" and disinfectant wipes.

With the increased use of wipes ("flushable", wet, baby, anti-bacterial, disinfectant) and paper towels, we are reminding all residents to 

<u>PLEASE</u> make sure you put these items IN THE TRASH and

DO NOT FLUSH them down the toilet!

## DO NOT FLUSH:

- Wet wipes
- Baby wipes
- Anti-bacterial wipes
- Disinfectant wipes
- Paper towels











Do your part to prevent costly and time consuming equipment blockages or breakdowns and aid in preventing sewer backups.