

Sewer Lateral Responsibility Disclosure

Utah state law requires that Washington County Water Conservancy District (district) notify homeowners of public vs. private ownership of sewer lines.

All sewer laterals were initially installed by the subdivision developer or the property owners within the district's boundaries. The term "sewer lateral" is defined as follows: That portion of any sewer and all parts thereof beginning at the plumbing outlet of any building or facility and running to the district's main sewer, including the connection to the district main sewer, as shown in the figure below.

Sewer laterals are not part of the district's system, and the district has no responsibility for any sewer laterals. **The maintenance, repair, and replacement of any sewer lateral is the sole responsibility of the property owner.** If you experience a blockage in your sewer lateral, please contract a licensed plumber to help repair the problem.

Also, a backflow prevention device must be in place to prevent sewer from backing up into your system.

