

TAHOE CITY PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT

Sewer Service Abandonment Check List

Discontinuance of House Service Sewer

Any District residential, commercial, industrial or public use sewer service may be temporarily or permanently disconnected upon written request from the Owner. The Owner (or Designated Representative) shall apply for and obtain a permit from the Tahoe City Public Utility District (District) prior to the work being done. Such disconnection is subject to the discretion of the District. The Owner must pay fees according to Exhibit 10.01.

For inspections, please call the District's Technical Services Division at <u>530-580-6281</u>. Prior to doing any digging, please call USA North at 1-800-227-2600 at least 2 working days (48 hours) in advance.

House Service Sewer Temporary Abandonment

In order to temporarily abandon an existing residential, commercial, industrial or public use sewer service, you will need to obtain a demolition permit and pay fees. A seal cap deposit shall also be charged per Section 10.02.5 and Exhibit 10.01. This deposit may be forfeited if the seal cap is tampered with, or is removed without District approval.

Temporary Abandonment of Existing Sewer Service:

- 1. Submit plans for review and apply for a Demolition Permit. A Demolition Permit will be issued upon a successful plan review and payment of fees.
- 2. If the sewer service to be abandoned is within a District water service area, you will need to disconnect or abandon the water service. Provisions can be made for a temporary water connection for irrigation or construction use as provided for in District Ordinance 263. See the attached "Water Service Disconnection and Abandonment Check List".
 - Customers who receive water service from another water supplier will also need to disconnect or abandon their water service. The water supplier should be contacted for their requirements.
- 3. Excavate the sewer service, then cut out and remove a minimum of 2 feet of sewer pipe. This cut will need to be located within 5 feet of the existing property line cleanout, unless otherwise stipulated in the permit. Two concrete thrust blocks shall be installed at both ends of the cut sewer service, or a single concrete thrust block that completely spans the gap between both ends of the sewer service. See the attached detail, SS-19 "Std. Temp. Sewer Service Abandonment."
- 4. <u>Call the District</u> for the installation of a District seal cap. A District inspector will install the District seal cap. The inspector shall then witness the installation of the upstream cap or plug (provided by the contractor), as well as the installation of both concrete thrust blocks, or a single thrust block that completely spans the gap.
- 5. A redwood 2"x 2" stake or a 1" PVC pipe painted yellow shall be placed next to, but not on top of, the seal cap and extend vertically at least 4 inches above surface level where practical. Do <u>not</u> place the stake or pipe in the thrust blocks.
- 6. Then backfill the excavation in accordance with District Ordinance 255.

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Restoration of Service:

- 1. When the temporarily abandoned house service sewer is ready to be placed back into service, excavate and expose the abandoned section of the sewer lateral, leaving both caps/plugs on the pipe. **Do not remove the District seal cap.**
- 2. <u>Call the District's Technical Services Division</u> to schedule an appointment for a District Inspector to inspect and remove the seal cap. After this inspection, you may then remove the upstream cap, and install a new section of pipe in accordance with District Ordinance 255.
- 3. <u>Call the District's Technical Services Division</u> to schedule an inspection of the trench <u>prior to backfill</u>.
- 4. <u>Call the District's Technical Services Division</u> to schedule an air test of the pipe section after backfill.

A pressure test shall be required after reconnection and backfilling of the abandoned pipe section is completed. The entire length of the line from the foundation cleanout to the property line cleanout will need to be tested. It is the responsibility of the contractor to provide all air test equipment and conduct all testing or hire an air test sub-contractor. A District Inspector must witness this test.

If the cut and cap was done before teardown/demolition of the existing structure, a television inspection of the entire sewer lateral, from the foundation line cleanout, will also be required.

- 5. Water service to the parcel may be restored upon the successful completion of the above inspections. Those parcels located within a District water service area must follow District water service restoration procedures. See *Water Service Disconnection and Abandonment Check List.* Those parcels within another water supplier's water service area must follow that supplier's water service restoration procedures.
- 6. Upon successful completion of the pressure test, your seal cap deposit will be refunded.

House Service Sewer Permanent Abandonment:

- 1. Submit plans for review and apply for a Demolition Permit. A Demolition Permit will be issued upon a successful plan review and payment of fees.
- 2. If the sewer service to be abandoned is within a District water service area, you may need to disconnect or abandon the water service. Provisions can be made for a temporary connection for irrigation or construction use as provided for in District Ordinance 263. See the *Water Service Disconnection and Abandonment Check List.*
 - Customers who receive water service from another water supplier will also need to disconnect or abandon their water service. The water supplier should be contacted for their requirements.
- 3. The District's Utilities Department will provide a cost estimate for the Permanent Abandonment of the house service sewer, at the sewer main. Such estimate shall include, but not be limited to; permitting, excavation, materials, equipment, labor, re-

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surfacing, traffic control, etc. (On occasion, the District may permanently abandon a house service sewer at another location, due to extenuating circumstances, as determined on a case-by-case basis.)

- 4. This estimate shall be provided to the Owner (or Designated Representative). The Owner (or Designated Representative) shall then pay the District a deposit in the amount of this estimate.
- 5. The District's Utilities Department will then perform all work associated with the Permanent Abandonment of the house service sewer.
- 6. Any remaining balance of the deposit will be refunded to the Owner (or Designated Representative). Should the cost of work performed exceed the amount of the deposit, the Owner will be billed for the balance due.

