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## MARION COUNTY FARGO INTERCHANGE SERVICE DISTRICT

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**Keller Associates, on behalf of Marion County, will be conducting a smoke test of portions of your sanitary sewer system in your neighborhood Thursday, September 21, 2023.**

HOW THIS AFFECTS YOU: Most of the work will be performed on public property, usually within the street right-of-way. However, some of these activities may involve personnel to walk across yards etc. adjacent to the right-of-way, and we would greatly appreciate your cooperation in this effort.

SMOKE TESTING: A "SMOKE TEST" survey will assist our inspection crews in locating breaks and defects in the sewer system. The work includes blowing non-toxic smoke into the sewer collection system through the manholes. You may see smoke coming from the vent stacks and downspouts on houses, from holes in the ground, or from catch basins and drains. The smoke is **NON-TOXIC, NON-STAINING, HAS NO ODOR, IS WHITE TO GRAY IN COLOR AND CREATES NO FIRE HAZARD.** The smoke should not enter your building unless you have defective plumbing or dried up drainpipes. Remember to check floor drains or sinks in the basement or garage that are rarely used. Also, install a proper cap on your lateral cleanouts, especially if they are in your home. If smoke enters your home or business during the testing, this is a good indicator that sewer gases may also be entering your home or business. Please notify our Project Manager with Marion County, Matt Knudsen at (503) 931-2912.