**Sewer pipe inspection occurs this week**

Earlier this week, crews began inspecting the regional sanitary sewer pipes between Chaska and Shakopee using SmartBall technology. Inspection work is anticipated to be completed by the end of the week. Site clean-up and restoration activities will follow and are expected to be completed by the end of March.

*Water is pumped from the Minnesota River into pipes so that the SmartBall can flow through properly during inspection*

**How the inspection is done**

Crews insert a golf ball-sized sphere into the sewer pipes that will flow downstream and analyze the pipes with the use of an acoustic sensor to detect potential pipe deterioration.

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