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This letter is addressed to all New and Existing users of the Delafield-Hartland Water Pollution Control Commission's ("Delhart") Wastewater Treatment Plant and Collection System.

Take a look at the pictures below of the Mechanical Bar Screen located at the Delhart plant. The Mechanical Bar Screen is designed to try and remove debris in sewage. The picture on the left is what the screen should look like, always nice and clean. The picture on the right is what it actually looks like because of the amount of rags, feminine products, and garbage people throw down the sewer, either by flushing it down the toilet or taking the traps out of their sink drains allowing it to enter the sewer system.



Nobody wants to admit they are at fault, but in reality if you are putting anything but toilet paper or what comes out of your body naturally down the toilet, you are. Also, these facilities are owned by you the public, so please help protect your investment.

Thank you for taking the time to read and understand that we all need to pay attention to what is going down the sewer. Please contact me if you have any questions or comments.

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What You Should and Should Not Put Down the Sewer!

For quite a few years some people have assumed that if it will go down the toilet, it belongs in the sewer, WRONG!!!!

With the invention of the paper towel, disinfecting wipes, baby wipes, and similar products, people think that these items belong in the sewer. If the label does not say biodegradable, the product does not belong in the sewer. There are only two things you should put in the toilet: human waste and toilet paper (toilet paper is treated to break down in water). Another nasty culprit that clogs our sewer pumps are feminine products. I do not think that I need to go into detail, but everyone knows that plastic and cardboard should not be in the toilet. That material is specifically designed for the garbage. And it will eventually end up there, but at a much higher cost to our sewer users.

At the treatment plant I have seen a lot of solids coming in lately, including whole cherry tomatoes, orange slices, celery sticks, and chunks of meat. Ideally, I should not see anything larger than a quarter inch in diameter in our sewer pipes. All of the area restaurants "should" have strainers in place to eliminate this problem.

In wrapping up this subject, I want you to know that this unwanted material costs a great deal of money and time to remove and creates excessive wear on the sewer equipment. So I would ask that everyone does their part to dispose of only biodegradable material down the sewers and keep our pipes free of all other destructive and expensive to remove materials.