



Coronavirus: Toilet paper panic trickle-down effect

Please do NOT flush wet wipes, tissue or heavy paper towels

Experts are warning that the panic run on toilet paper could lead to much bigger waste problems than we realize.

With toilet paper in short supply due to the panic buying in response to COVID-19, some researchers warn there's a risk that toilet paper alternatives such as wet wipes, tissue, napkins and paper towels may lead to another major "monster" waste issues in **YOUR** sewer houseline and the District's collection system!



With supermarket shelves wiped bare of toilet paper, water infrastructure experts fear that the use of toilet paper alternatives such as wet wipes, napkins and thicker paper could lead to major blockages in our water and sewage systems.

Some water utilities have already spent hundreds of thousands of dollars removing wet wipes from the collection systems, lift pumps and at sewage treatment plants. These products can create blockages of fat, sanitary items and wet wipes that block pipes and pumps and cause an added expense to remove.

Please do not flush wet wipes or heavy paper towels and properly dispose of them by throwing them in the trash.