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TO: LOCAL MEDIA - PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

FROM: City Engineer's Office – Sewer Department

DATE: May 6, 2020

RE: **City Sanitary Sewer System- Sump Pumps**

The City Sewer Department would like to remind residents to run sump pump water into the storm drain system by placing sump pump hoses out to the curb. At this time, the City is experiencing high volumes of water being pumped through the sewer system due to the runoffs into the river from the melting snow and recent rainfall.

Residents in the valley and lower lying areas of the City should plug sewer drains in the basement level of homes and businesses to avoid sewer backup.

The City of Jamestown Municipal Code states as follows:

Sec. 30-36. - Draining rain, surface or ground water into sewers prohibited.

No person shall permit rain, surface or ground waters to be carried into the sewer system.

Rainwater leaders shall not be connected with or run into the sewer system.

(b) Drain tile, sump pumps or other systems designed to eliminate the accumulation of seepage or other ground waters shall not be connected with or run into the sewer system.

(Ord. No. 1080, 9-6-94)