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The City of Santa Barbara (City) has hired Duke’s Root Control to apply a nationally recognized and approved herbicide product specifically designed for sanitary sewer mains to a selection of sanitary sewer pipes with a history of root intrusion throughout the City. This procedure, called sewer root foaming, helps prevent stoppages in sewer mains by inhibiting the growth of roots in the sewer main without harming the plant as a whole. This process is used nationwide and has been proven to be safe, reliable and typically more effective method of controlling root growth rather than solely cleaning the pipe.

In the next few weeks, you may see Duke’s Root Control vehicles set up over sewer manholes in your neighborhoods or they might request to access an easement on your property. In general, work will be conducted Monday through Friday from 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and the setups usually last only 20-30 minutes. In some locations, Duke’s may perform work outside of those hours to avoid impacts to the public or traffic.

If you have questions regarding the project, please contact Louis Gutierrez, Project Coordinator at the City of Santa Barbara, at (805) 568-1027. For questions regarding the sewer root foaming process, call Tom Edwards at Duke’s Root Control, at (510) 610-6148, or visit www.dukes.com.