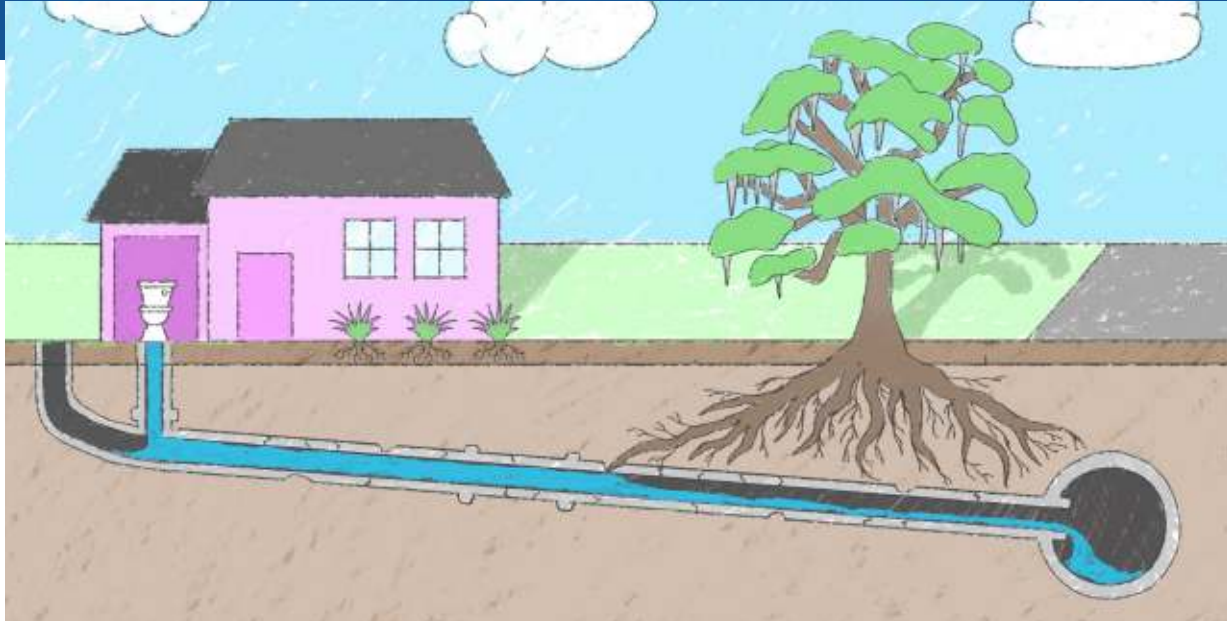


IS THERE A DIRTY SECRET UNDER YOUR DREAM HOME?

Why lateral sewer line inspections are recommended for homes built before 1975.



A lateral sewer line is a pipe that carries wastewater from the drains in your home to the public sewer system under the street. It is the homeowner's responsibility to maintain it.

Older lateral lines are more likely to be made of materials that break down over time. Cracks can lead to tree root invasion, leaks, and sewage backups into your home.

Before you buy a home built before 1975

The Tampa Bay Estuary Program recommends getting a camera scope inspection before buying an older home. The inspection costs a few hundred dollars and can save thousands in repairs, while keeping sewage from leaking into groundwater and polluting area waters.



Ask your home inspector if they offer camera scoping.

You can also use the directory on TBEP.org/PipeUp to find local contractors who offer this service.