Think Before You Flush

During this time when many are staying at home, it is important to keep a careful eye on actions that may affect your sewer or septic system.

- Only flush toilet paper. This helps prevent sewage backups and other expensive problems with your plumbing or septic system!
- Do not flush cleaning wipes, baby wipes, facial tissue, or paper towels. Even wipes that are labeled flushable or septic safe belong in the trash can.
- If you have a septic system, be conscientious about your water use to avoid overloading it.
  - Turn off the water while brushing teeth or shaving.
  - Do not run the dishwasher and the washing machine at the same time.
  - Spread laundry loads over different days.
- After flushing, remember to wash your hands with soap and water for 20 seconds. Make sure you follow the rest of the COVID-19 guidelines listed at www.kingcounty.gov/covid.
- When buying toilet paper, leave enough for your neighbors, too!