



Demolishing or Removing Buildings Connected to the Centralia Sewer System

A property owner, contractor, or Public Agency (i.e. Fire Department) engaged in demolishing, burning, or removing any structure connected to the public sewer shall obtain a sewer abandonment permit from the Community Development Department at City Hall and expose and plug the side sewer connection to the structure at the property line before demolition, burning, or removal begins in accordance with the requirements found in the City of Centralia's Developer Guidelines. **A City of Centralia Wastewater Collections Department inspector must observe and document all abandonments.**

Abandonment Procedures for the City of Centralia

Plastic, HDPE, Cast Iron, or Ductile Iron Pipe: Obtain a sewer abandonment permit from the Community Development Department at City Hall, find the pipe at the property line/City right-of-way, cut the line and install a gasket cap or plug on/in the line still connected to the City sewer. If this is not feasible, install a Cherne end-of-pipe original gripper plug to the pipe end and tighten firmly to assure that it won't slip down the line. Mark the end of the pipe at the property boundary/City right-of-way with a 2X4 extended above the surface and call for an inspection before back filling. If the line crosses an easement or another parcel contact the property owner and obtain permission to dig on their property so you can abandon your side sewer at the City's right-of-way.

Concrete or Clay Pipe: Obtain a sewer abandonment permit from the Community Development Department at City Hall, find the pipe at the property line/City right-of-way, cut the line and install a Cherne end-of-pipe original gripper plug to the pipe end and tighten firmly to assure that it won't slip down the line. Mark the end of the pipe at the property boundary/City right-of-way with a 2X4 extended above the surface and call for an inspection before back filling. If the line crosses an easement or another parcel, contact the property owner and obtain permission to dig on their property so you can abandon your side sewer at the City's right-of-way.

If you have any questions please contact Greg Boone at 360-330-7531, Extension 3506.