

**Public Notice**  
**Notice Requirements for Basement Flooding Claims**

On January 2, 2002 Public Act 222 of the Public Acts of 2001 came into effect. PA 222 provides that under certain circumstances, governmental agencies that own or operate sewage disposal systems may be held liable for the overflow or backup of the system (e.g. Basement flooding). Oakland County and the Oakland County Drain Commissioner are providing this notice consistent with the requirements of Public Act 222 of 2001.

To pursue a claim for personal injury or property damage resulting from basement flooding against a government agency, the claimant must file a written notice of the claim to the governmental agency within 45 days of the date that the damage or physical injury was discovered, or should have been discovered. If written notice is not provided within 45 days, a claimant will not be able to pursue a claim for the injuries and damages against a government agency. The written notice must include the claimant's name, address, and phone number, the address of the affected property, the date of discovery of the injury or damage, and a brief description of the claim.

If an Oakland County resident has had basement flooding which involves a sewage system owned or operated by Oakland County or the Oakland County Drain Commissioner's Office, written notice of the claim must be provided within 45 days to the Oakland County Drain Commissioner's Office, One Public Works Drive, Waterford, MI 48328.

**Oakland County operates and/or maintain sewage disposal systems in the following communities:**

- **Village of Beverly Hills**
- **Village of Bingham Farms**
- **City of Bloomfield Hills**
- **Commerce Township**
- **Farmington Hills**
- **Village of Franklin**
- **City of Keego Harbor**
- **Village of Lake Orion**
- **City of Novi (part of)**
- **Oakland Township**
- **City of Orchard Lake Village**
- **Oxford Township**
- **Royal Oak Township**
- **City of Walled Lake**
- **White Lake Township**

**If your home or business is not located in one of these communities, and you want to make a claim for a sewage disposal system event, you may want to contact the provider of service in your area, and/of the owner of the sewage disposal system involved.**