

**For Immediate Release**

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## **City Urges Cooks to Can the Grease**

Wichita Falls, Texas- Citizens are being urged to “Can the Grease” this Christmas to save themselves and the City the trouble and expense of repairing pipes that are clogged with fats, oils, and grease from cooking. These pipe “cloggers” are called F.O.G.; they harden and build up in the drainpipes of homes and the City sewer system creating blockages that cause sewage overflows, which can lead to expensive repairs to a home drainage system and/or the City sewer system.

“Can the Grease” is simple: can it, cool it, throw it away. By doing so home and business owners can save themselves from potentially expensive repairs and cleanups caused by sewer backups. The City’s website, [wichitafallstx.gov](http://wichitafallstx.gov), has some excellent advice and links to informative videos.

### How to “Can the Grease”

1. After cooling, pour or scrape all fats, oils, and grease into a metal can or glass jar, and seal with a lid.
2. Throw away immediately or keep the container in the refrigerator until full and then dispose of the used oil in the trash.

The City of Wichita Falls appreciates your continued cooperation in helping us to maintain the wastewater collections system. For more information, you may contact the Public Works Office at 761-7411, or the Wastewater Collections Division at 723-5573.

