



Hamlet of Hume Sewer Improvement Area

- Informational Meeting Addressing Failing Septic Systems & Public Health Concerns
- June 2, 2026
- Allen County Sanitary Engineering Department

Why This Project Is Being Proposed

- Water contamination confirmed
- Failing septic systems
- Public health concern
- Regulatory requirements from Ohio EPA

Current Conditions

- Failing systems across area
- Limited lot sizes for replacement
- Replacement cost: **\$20,000–\$30,000 per home**

Project Area Map

**Hamlet of Hume
Project Area**

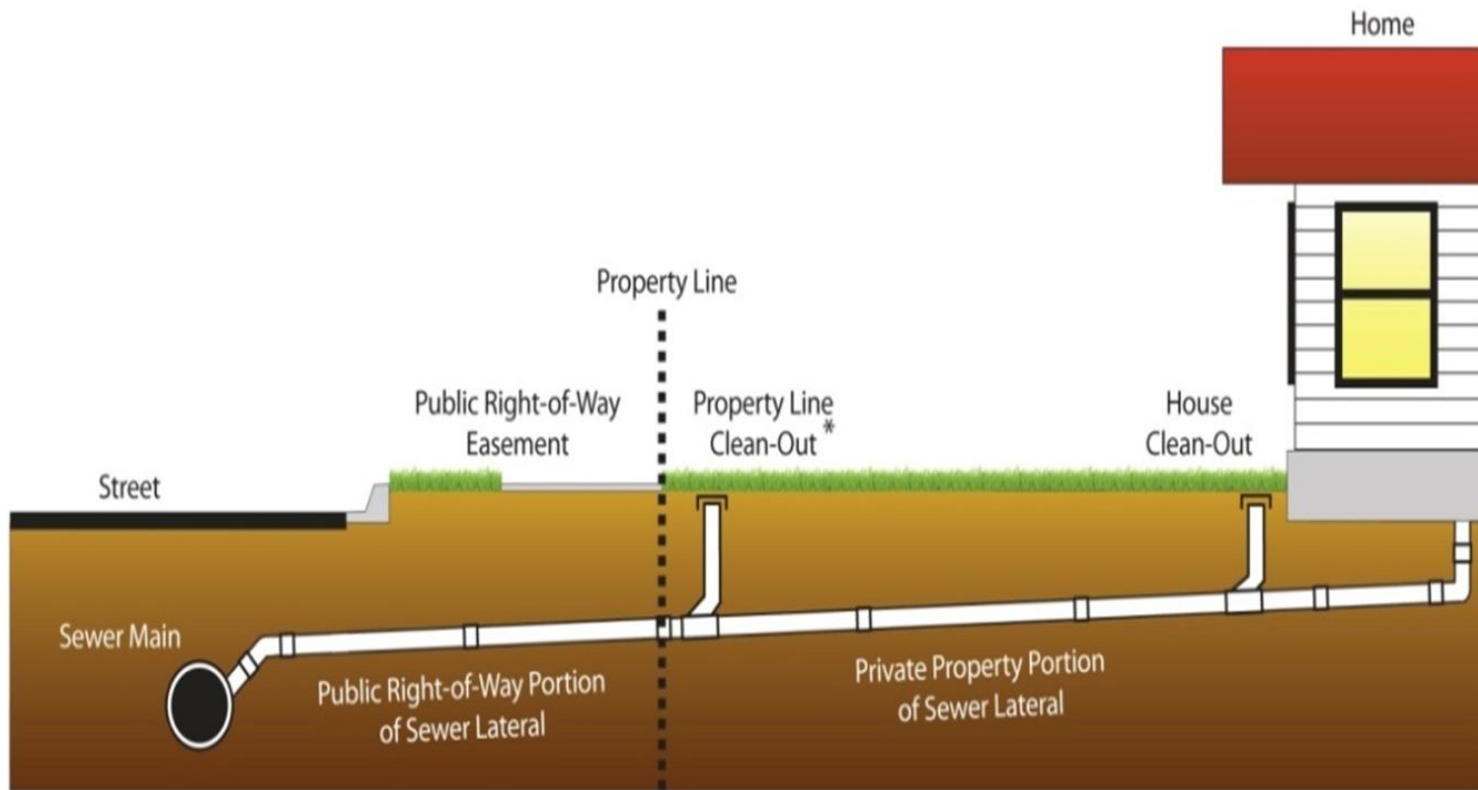


Proposed System Overview

- Gravity + low-pressure system
- Pump station included
- Designed for full service coverage

Proposed System Overview

- Gravity system



* Not standard on all properties.

Proposed System Overview

- Low-pressure system (Wapak Road)



Construction Overview

- Majority of work in right-of-way
- Temporary disruption
- Full restoration included in the Right-of-Way

Property Impacts

- Connect to sewer as long as the utility agreement has been signed and is on file with the County
- Abandon septic
- Contractor will rough grade private property
 - Property owner responsible for final grading and seeding
- Minimal long-term disruption

Funding Strategy

- Grant funding reduces cost
 - Ohio EPA's Water Pollution Control Loan Fund (WPCLF) has awarded \$2M of principal forgiveness
- Low-interest long-term loans
 - The remaining cost will be financed with a WPCLF loan
- Goal: minimize homeowner cost

Cost Comparison (Typical Property Owner)

Option	Upfront Cost	Monthly Cost	15-Year Cost
Central Sewer	\$0*	\$60–\$80	~\$14,000
On-Site System	\$20,000–\$30,000	~\$65	~\$27,000

- *With signed agreement
- Central sewer is typically ~\$13,000 less over 15 years and avoids replacement risk

Key Takeaways

- No large upfront cost
- Lower long-term cost
- Reliable infrastructure solution

What If I Don't Participate?

- Systems continue to fail
- Likely required to replace system individually
- No access to group funding
- Higher long-term cost

Utility Agreement

- Required for participation
- Enables funding eligibility
- Non-participation = private replacement

Project Schedule

- 2026: Bid & begin construction
- 2027: Complete project

Questions

- Open discussion