## You Can Help Protect The Environment!

Grease, oil, and fat should go from the pan... ...to the can Never pour grease, cooking oil, or fat down the sink. They can clog drains and cause sewer pipes to back up and cause sewage spills. Cool down your cooking oil, grease, or fat and pour them into a container with a secure lid.

*Trash the can - not your pipes* 

Wipe out pots and pans with a paper towel before doing dishes - you will use less soap and decrease clogs. **Dispose of food scraps in the trash or compost- not down garbage disposals, drains, or toilets.**  Items that should NOT be disposed of in the sewer system Ø Cooking Grease and Oil Ø Food Debris Ø Diapers Ø Cotton Balls Ø Kitty Litter Ø Acne Pads Ø Dental Floss Ø Feminine Hygiene **Products** Ø Condoms Ø Band Aids Ø Paper Towels **Ø** Sanitary Wipes Ø Dirt. Sand. Rocks Ø Q-Tips Ø Rags Ø Plastic Ø Drinking Straws Ø Tooth Picks

## Our Responsibility as Environmental Stewards

The City of Stevenson is responsible for the operation of the Wastewater Treatment Plant that is regulated by the Department Of Ecology. Under the terms of the permit that was issued to us, we are required to meet certain levels of treatment. This protects the water wuality in the Columbia River. When you put grease, food scraps, fat, etc. down the drain, it puts a loading on the sewer plant known as Biochemical Oxygen Demand. Please dispose of this material in the trash or compost.