INDUSTRIAL USER PERMIT NOTIFICATION

All businesses who discharge industrial strength waste to the sewer must obtain an Industrial User permit from the City of Bakersfield Public Work’s Department.

The City defines an Industrial User as a sewer discharger who:

- Discharges more than 25,000 gallons a day into the sewer collection system
- Has the potential to affect the City’s ability to treat wastewater (due to chemicals, grease, toxins, etc.)
- Has the potential to violate any City pretreatment requirement defined in municipal code section 14.12.220 Prohibited Discharges

Types of business who generally require an Industrial User permit may include, but not limited to:

- Car Washes, both permanent and mobile
- Potable and drinking water treatment facilities
- Food processing; including agriculture produce, meat products, yeast, and packaged foods
- Beverage processing; including juices, dairy produce, beer, and wine
- Industrial cleaners; including clothes, uniforms, and other equipment
- Oil refinery and other petroleum related practices
- Manufactures; including glass, metal, cement, chemicals, and wood
- Photography development

Notice: The payment of domestic sewer connection fees does not mean that your business complies with the City’s Industrial User permit requirements. You must contact the City’s Wastewater Treatment Superintendent at 661-326-3249 before your business discharges a waste stream into the sewer that falls under any of the above categories.