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University of Southern California

CROSS CONNECTION
A cross-connection is a connection between the drinking water plumbing system and any other source, which may contribute to the degradation of the quality of the drinking water. Ephraim City works hard to provide the safest water possible to your home. However, once this water enters your property, there are common problems that may arise due to improper changes in, or misuse of, your plumbing system. The items listed are typical areas where cross-connections may be found in a home.

HOSE BIBBS
Hose bibbs are part of our everyday life. They allow us to hook up a garden hose to water the plants, wash the car, clean out the gutters, etc. However, every time you connect a garden hose to a hose bibb, you are extending the end of the water line. To make sure that no harmful materials are drawn back into the garden hose, a vacuum breaker should be installed on each hose bibb. When the hose bibb is exposed to freezing conditions, make sure to use a self-draining, frost-proof vacuum breaker.

SINKS, TUBS, TANKS
The faucets in your bathroom or kitchen must be located so that the end of the faucet is above the overflow level of the sink or tub. Fill lines to water troughs or tanks must also be physically separated or “air-gapped.” If there is no air-gap, the contents of the sink, tub or tank may be sucked or “backsiphoned” into the water line during a loss of water pressure.

Boilers
Due to the pressure that may build up inside of a boiler, the pressure of the boiler water may exceed that of the water feeding the boiler. The boiler water (which may be chemically treated with poisonous anti-corrosion compounds, etc.) may be pushed, or backpressured, into the make-up water line. This chemically contaminated water may be forced back into your home’s potable water system, unless there is an appropriate backflow preventer that is designed for backpressure.

TOILETS
Water that flushes the toilet enters the tank from the hose connected to the bottom of the toilet tank. It is essential that the float-valve (or anti-siphon ballcock) inside the toilet tank is the correct type so the contents of the tank don’t get into the drinking water. The ballcock and refill tube must be above the water level in the tank.

IRRIGATION
If irrigation systems are not properly constructed, contaminants may backflow into your drinking water. Back-flow protection may be provided with vacuum breakers (atmospheric AVB) or pressure (PVB or SVB) or reduced pressure principle assemblies (RP).

Our homes
You may be surprised how many different ways water can be used, and possibly misused. Following are tips on how you can protect the purity of the water you drink, cook with, or bathe in.

Make sure to use only listed or approved products. Should you have any questions regarding the selection or installation of proper backflow protection, check with your local city building and safety department.