### **LESSON 2: KEY CONCEPTS**

## **Client Empowerment and Satisfaction**

## Why should buyer insist on due diligence?

- One of most overlooked is drains (out of sight not reality)
- Latent conditions minimal water; no solids
- Empowered to make financial decisions based on risk and resources

## What is the value in protecting equity of investment?

• Big ticket Items - Foundation, Electrical, HVAC, Roof, Water Heater

### A picture is worth a 1,000 words, why?

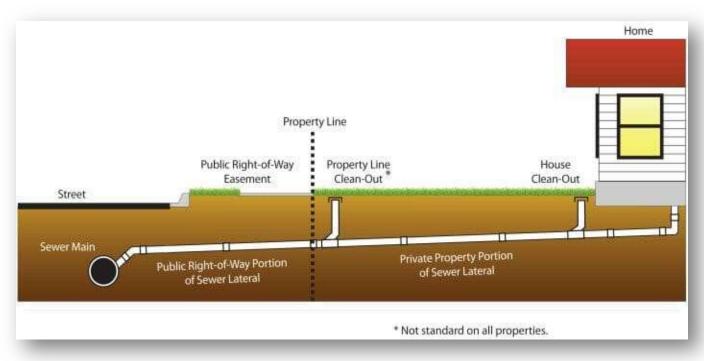
• Pictures not necessary but it is what defines reality today (Instagram)

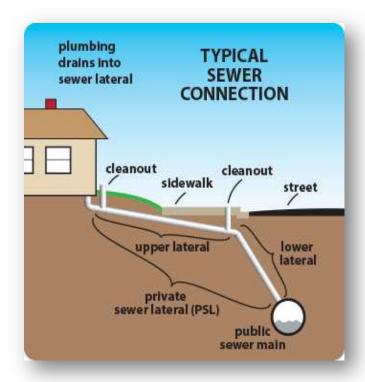
## Cost of Drain Line Repairs

- Sometimes sewer issues go undetected until they do a good bit of damage to the home.
- Require as much attention and maintenance as other parts of your home
- Often overlooked because we don't know what we don't see
- Average Repair \$7,000 to \$13,000

## **Benefits and Liability**

## Private vs. Public Responsibility





### Benefits and Liabilities of a TREC Sewer Camera Inspection

#### BENEFITS

- Unbiased Opinion (not selling services)
- Inspector typically most trusted in transaction
- Repairs become Seller's responsibility (or allowance)

#### LIABILITIES

- Scope is not exhaustive
- Cannot identify leaks or amount of deterioration
- Extreme cases can cause further damage
- Did not cause problem, you found one

## Differentiation in the Market Place

## How does offering sewer camera inspections set you apart from competition?

- Offer services that other inspectors do not
- One stop shop no need to schedule third parties
- Provide Home buyers a better understanding of house and its conditions
- Seamless reports, ease of access and timeliness of information during option period

### **Additional Revenue Stream**

#### Time = Money

• Already at the House (no extra drive time)

## What is one of the most important principles of investing?

- Diversification
- Grow Ancillary Services Offerings
- Grow Average Inspection Fee

## **Average Inspection Fee Increase**

### Sole Proprietor: 400 Inspections @ \$500 per = \$200,000

- If add \$200 to 10% of inspections = additional \$8,000
- \$20 increase per inspection (\$520 or 4% increase)

#### Multi-Inspector: 6000 Inspections @ \$500 per = \$3MM

- If add \$200 to 10% of inspections = additional \$120,000
- \$20 increase per inspection (\$520 or 4% increase)

### **Secure More Inspections**

- Literally sell more inspections by offering sewer camera inspections
- Competitors are doing it
- It will be come standard of customer service
- Get the training, buy equipment, make more money!

# **Licensed Plumber Partnerships**

## <u>Pivot Ready Services - Sources</u>

- Maintenance or Trouble Shooting Previous Inspection Clients
- Plumbing Companies and Partnerships perform a service for them
- New Home Construction Quality Control third party, unbiased opinion