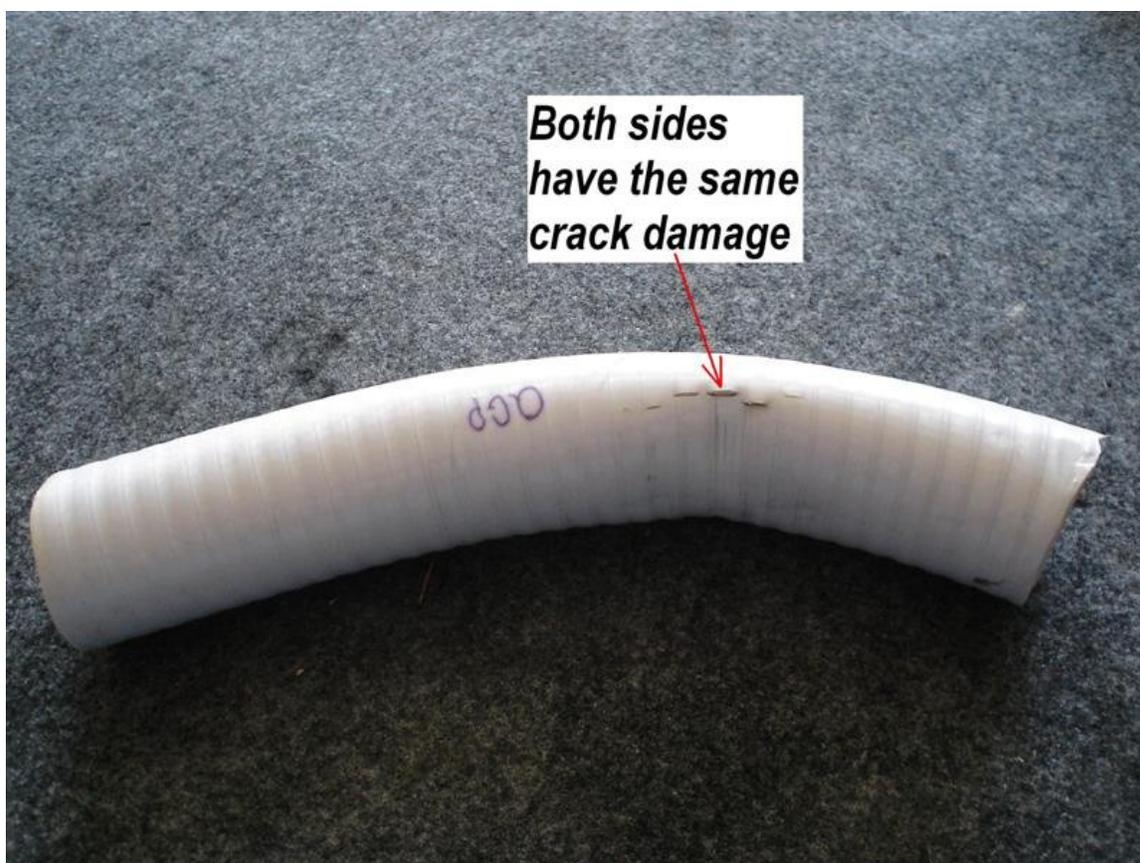




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10 – FYI – GALLEY SINK DRAIN LEAK. We were fortunate in actually being at Red Bay when the galley sink drain pipe sprung a leak. First indication of the problem was when Cathey had finished washing a few breakfast dishes drained the sink and the bottom of a foot got wet. I think we got lucky because the coach was low on the driver side just enough to have the water flow out from under the slide and not back toward the wall. Daniel Newcomb in Bay 4 took the complete area apart in order to find the leaking pipe. It turned out the flexible PVC conduit used by Tiffin for the moving part of the drain had become crimped just enough to split the conduit on both sides of the crimp.

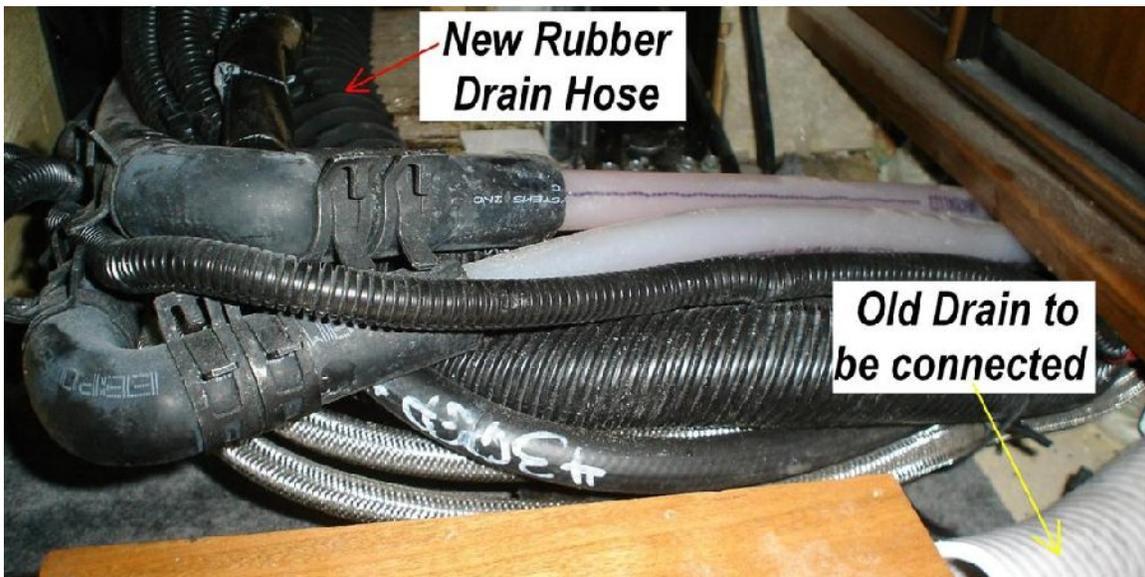


The above conduit is made to flex but it is not made to flex to the extent or as many times as will be required when used in a galley slide.

Disassembly and reassembly takes time in our case a couple of hours to remove and reinstall other components which were in the way.



This was not a first time problem Tiffin had the rubber radiator hose in stock. The damage section was cut out new PVC couplers were glued to the flexible PVC then the rubber hose was installed with two worm gear clamps on each end. Ty-wraps are required to keep all lines and hoses together.



I think this is a going to be a problem for quite a few drains. I hope none of the macerator toilets using the Flexible PVC pipe are installed in a **SLIDE**?