

ATTENTION NORTON RESIDENTS

Hydrant Flushing Program

Beginning Sunday, September 9, 2018

The Water Department has a semi annual water main and hydrant flushing program. **Every Spring and Fall** the nearly 1000 hydrants are flushed, it takes approximately ten weeks. Evening flushing hours are Sunday through Thursday between 8:00pm and 3:00am. Daily flushing may occur Monday through Friday between 7:30am and 2:00pm if it is deemed necessary in certain areas. Flushing involves the use of high velocity water to scour the inside surfaces of the water mains. This process allows us to flush out iron and manganese particles, however it also creates discolored water. Discoloration varies from pale yellow to dark brown and may include iron particles. Because the water system's infrastructure is a continuous loop this discoloration can occur anywhere in the system during the flushing program regardless of where the hydrants are being opened.

Therefore it is recommended that you use caution when using filtering systems, washing machines, dishwashers etc. **Bottling water and keeping it on hand for your convenience is also suggested. The free water vending machine located outside of the town hall is available 24 / 7.**

The town website and facebook page will be updated daily with flushing locations and areas most likely to be effected.