

Notice

Fire Hydrant Flushing Program

Devens will be performing fire hydrant flushing from **October 20 through October 24, 2025**. The flushing process is conducted to maintain and improve water quality to you, our valued customers. Over the course of time, iron and manganese elements settle in lower-velocity sections of our water main distribution system. The hydrants are flushed to clean out any settled sediment in these lines. In addition, hydrants are flushed to ensure the hydrants and control valves are kept in proper operational condition.

During the flushing period you may experience some low water pressure and/or temporary incidents of discolored, brownish tap water. If discoloration occurs, please run your faucet until it clears. If you notice that hydrant flushing is occurring in your area and/or if your water is discolored during flushing operations, **please do not wash laundry** until the water becomes clear. Brown water due to flushing poses no health threat, but it may have an unpleasant taste, and you may wish to avoid drinking it.

If you should have any questions regarding this flushing schedule, please contact Mark Cohen at (978) 784-2911.