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CITY OF BURNSVILLE TO FLUSH HYDRANTS STARTING SEPTEMBER 22

The Burnsville Water Department will conduct hydrant flushing this fall starting on Saturday, September 22 with work completed by Friday, September 28. Crews will flush from 5:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. daily, starting in the northern section of the city and working south. Work will focus on hydrants located on dead end water mains and in cul-de-sacs.

Hydrants are flushed to assure that they are working properly for fire protection and to remove iron deposits from the lines. During the time that crews are flushing hydrants it is not unusual to experience discolored water, pressure changes and/or increased chlorine odors for short periods of time.

The City of Burnsville anticipates no major changes in water quality, however, residents can expect to experience brownish or discolored water while crews are working in your neighborhood. This is caused by a change in water flow patterns stirring up iron deposits in the pipes. Iron in the water is not a health issue, but may impact the aesthetics of the water and/or can cause problems with the laundry. On a positive note, iron in the water conditions can be cleared easily by turning on all the cold water faucets inside the residence at the same time and letting them run for a few minutes until the water clears. The Burnsville Water Department can provide special detergents to correct rust stained clothing.

Private hydrant flushing such as commercial, townhouse associations, and apartment complexes must be coordinated with the Water Department to ensure a minimum disturbance to the City's water distribution system. Please contact Linda Mullen at 952-895-4552.

For further information and general hydrant flushing questions please contact the Burnsville Maintenance Facility at 952-895-4550.

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