

# *Water Main Flushing*

## *June 28-July 2*



The field crew has scheduled annual flushing of the water distribution system for **Monday, June 28 through Friday, July 2.**

Annual flushing is a normal and required maintenance activity necessary to improve water quality by removing sedimentation and deposits in water mains.

Flushing (primarily through fire hydrants) stirs up sediment and loosens some mineral deposits in the pipes. Normally, this process will not affect most customers; however, in some cases temporary discoloration of water and sediment can be observed.

There are no health risks associated with the discoloration or sediment, which may last for a day or two. Don't be alarmed if you see these effects but avoid washing clothes during this time.

### **Why are we flushing?**

To remove sediment from the water mains and assure good quality water.

### **Isn't flushing a waste of water?**

No. The relatively small volume of water used is worth the benefits.

### **How will this affect customers and their water service?**

You may experience low water pressure or temporary discoloration of water.

### **What should I do if my water is discolored?**

Run your cold water faucets for about five minutes to make sure the water is clear. If it does not clear up after a few minutes, wait about two hours and try running the cold faucets again for five minutes. If the water has not cleared up by the next day, please notify VVCSD by calling 733-2475. To avoid staining clothing, it is recommended not to do laundry while your neighborhood is being flushed or while your water is discolored.



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