

HYDRANT FLUSHING SCHEDULE

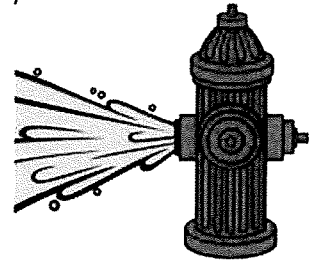
Valley Township Public Works Department is currently scheduled to flush hydrants on the following days;

August 9
August 16
August 23
August 30 – 31

Valley Springs
Beacon Hill & Mineral Springs Road
Country Ridge and Valley Farm
Country Club Valley and Turnberry Court

September 2
September 9

Oakcrest
Meadowbrook



Helpful Hints to Remember:

- Do NOT wash white or light colored laundry during the flushing operation
- A temporary drop in water pressure to your residence or place of business may occur
- Rust brown or cloudy water (these conditions will subside after flushing is completed)

After the Flushing Operation is Completed:

- Open the cold water faucets and let the water flow until it is clear. Turn off the faucets.
- Open the hot water faucets and let the water flow until it is clear. Turn off the faucets.
- When both hot and cold water are clear, the water is ready for use as normal.
- Check the faucet screens for trapped particles.
- Wash a load of two of dark-colored clothes first.

FAQs

- *Why is hydrant flushing necessary?* It enhances water quality by removing sediments from inside the mainline and flushing them out through the hydrant; identifies malfunctions of the hydrant and related valves; helps determine weaknesses in the water distribution system; identifies inadequate water volumes and pressures in the mainlines and helps determined locations where flow pressures may require valve inspections.
- *What should I do when hydrants are being flushed in my area?* 1) Mainly avoid using the dishwasher, washing machine and don't turn on the faucets (not or cold). Wait until the operation is completed. 2) If you are driving in the work zone where hydrants are being flushed, please drive carefully.
- *Why does my water look rusty or cloudy after hydrant flushing?* When a hydrant is opened, the water in the mainline will flow out at a high velocity. This creates a scouring action in the pipe and dislodges fine sediment particles that have accumulated in the pipe. The fine sediment mixes with the water, turning the water a cloudy or rust brown color. This mixture is discharged out of the hydrant. Remember, after the hydrant flushing operation, run your hot and cold faucets to let the water clear before you use it.

