

Village of Princeville Residents: Public Works will be flushing hydrants on April 26, 27, and 28.

Hydrant valves are opened and closed to control the flow of water and flush the system lines of sediment. Given the scouring velocities involved, flushing operations will likely lead to discolored water during, or immediately following the flushing.

Hydrant flushing may also result in sediment being disturbed within the water mains. Although this sediment is common and expected in any system, we are now required by Illinois EPA regulations to notify our customers that this sediment may contain lead even though our water system contains no known lead conduits.

The benefits of flushing include removal of rust and sediment, improved chlorine residual, and reduction in taste and odor; all of which can help provide high quality water to our residents.

Things you can do as a homeowner or business owner:

- If water discoloration is noticed in your residence or building, stop all water use and wait. Several hours may be required to rid the cloudiness from the water mains that serve your home or business.
- Turn on outside spigots, cold-water bathtub faucets, flush toilets, and run a cycle through the washing machine to clear the water in your service line.
- Do not wash clothes or run a dishwasher during or immediately after flushing takes place. Washing clothes with discolored water can cause laundry stains.
- Discolored water poses no threat to your health. You may wish to avoid drinking or cooking with the water.

*Questions, contact the Superintendent of Public Works,
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