

Department of Public Works

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NOTICE

OVERNIGHT WATER MAIN DEAD END STREET FLUSHING PROGRAM April 22 – May 7, 2025 Work Hours: 11 PM – 6 AM, Monday - Thursday

The Water, Sewer & Drains Division of the Town of Needham's Department of Public Works will be flushing water mains via hydrants on dead-end streets throughout the Town beginning Tuesday, April 22 through Wednesday, May 7, 2025 (weather permitting).

The purpose of water system flushing is to:

- verify the safe operation of hydrants and valves;
- remove accumulated sediment or mineral buildup in our water mains;
- maintain overall water quality;
- restore or help maintain chlorine residual throughout the water system; and
- continue maintaining a clean, safe water supply to our customers.

The water flushing may result in a temporary discoloration of the water, as well as a possible temporary reduction in water pressure. Water discoloration is not a health risk! The Water, Sewer & Drain Division recommends restricting your water usage during this period. The discolored water may stain your laundry, especially white materials, as well as the possible staining of plumbing fixtures. Therefore, please avoid doing laundry during the noted flushing period and certainly while such conditions exist.

Prior to washing clothes, including times after the hours stated in this notice, we advise you check the cold water for possible discoloration. If the water is discolored, let the <u>cold water</u> run for a minute or two to begin clearing the system. If the water does not clear at that time, try again later. As the Town cannot guarantee that the possibility of discoloration won't occur, please check your water carefully prior to doing laundry and inspect the laundry after the wash cycle, before it's placed in the dryer.

The Water, Sewer & Drain Division appreciates your patience as we work to maintain the quality of the drinking water in Needham. If you would like additional information, please call the Needham DPW - Water, Sewer & Drain Division at 781-455-7550 or visit the Town website at www.needhamma.gov/hydrantflushing. Thank you, in advance, for your cooperation.

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