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City of Clinton News Release



For immediate release:

The City of Clinton Public Works and Utilities Department will be performing hydrant flushing and water line maintenance from Tuesday, August 31 to Tuesday, November 2. The crews will perform flush tests Tuesday through Thursday between 11:00 pm and 3:00 am to minimize disruption. Residents will be informed of hydrant flush testing in their neighborhoods at least one week in advance.

Flushing is a process that rapidly removes water from the City's water piping system and uses water pressure to force out sediment and materials that accumulate in the pipes. Periodically flushing water pipes removes sediment buildup, maintains the City's infrastructure, and assures consistently good quality water. It takes about 30 minutes to flush each hydrant. While the hydrant is being flushed, the homes on that block may experience discolored water or a drop in water pressure. Water service should **NOT** be interrupted.

If water appears discolored, do not be alarmed. The Public Works Department recommends **NOT** using the water or doing laundry for about two hours to give the sediment time to settle. After the two-hour period, running faucets for five to ten minutes should clear the water. If the water does not clear within a couple of hours, notify the Public Works and Utilities Department at 299-4905 or Water Billing and Collections at 299-4909 during normal business hours. After normal business hours, on weekends, or on holidays call 592-1151.

For more information regarding this news release, please contact Clinton Public Works and Utilities between 7:00 am and 3:30 pm at 299-4905.