

City of Orillia crews will be performing water distribution system flushing from July until the end of September.

Advance notice to the public concerning exact work locations cannot feasibly be provided.

During flushing, City of Orillia crews operate the hydrants which releases large volumes of water for up to 60 minutes. There are several benefits - flushing is an important preventative maintenance activity that:

- confirms the hydrant is working correctly
- assesses the available flow to the hydrant
- allows us to deliver the highest quality water possible to our customers
- removes mineral and sediment build-up from the water mains

You may notice a *slight discolouration or a cloudy appearance of your water, and possibly reduced pressure* during flushing in your area. Please be advised that there are no health hazards associated with discoloured water and the water is safe to use and consume. However, please be aware that discoloured water may stain your laundry.



If you notice discolouration, we recommend that you run your cold water through your bathtub tap or another tap that does not have a screen until it clears up. You may also notice puddles in the street, as the water could be flushed onto the roads.

The City of Orillia would like to thank all those affected for your co-operation and patience during this necessary maintenance work.

For questions or concerns, please call 705-329-7249.