



Southeast Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority

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NOTICE

The Southeast Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority (the Authority) will be performing routine hydrant maintenance and flushing on the streets listed below between **July 5, 2016** and **August 29, 2016**. The Authority uses this opportunity to examine and repair hydrants and, in doing so, may require the hydrants to be flushed for a period of time to test their functionality. Flushing also typically aids in cleaning the water mains and “flushes” out any built up minerals or deposits from the pipes.

- Ridgedale Avenue (from Route 10 through Morris Street)
- Horsehill Road (from Ridgedale Avenue through East Hanover Avenue)
- Saddle Road (entire length)

What to Expect:

While hydrant flushing typically will not interrupt your water service, you may notice a temporary drop in water pressure while crews are working in your area. There is also the possibility that water may become temporarily discolored. This is normal. The discolored water does not pose a health hazard; however, iron (red water) and manganese (black water) may be stirred up within the system during the flushing procedures. If this happens, simply let your water run until it runs clear.

Customer Tips:

- Avoid running your tap water and using the washing machine or dishwasher while crews are flushing your area. This will reduce the chance of pulling discolored water into your home.
- If discolored water occurs, simply run the cold water for a few minutes until it clears. This will allow the sediment to work its way out of your pipe.
- Check for discolored water before using the washing machine or dishwasher. Wait until the water runs clear before doing laundry or running the dishwasher. **NOTE:** If your laundry does become stained, do not put your laundry into the dryer. Re-wash laundry immediately and add a rust remover.
- In some cases, slight discoloration might linger for a few hours. This discoloration affects the appearance of the water and does not affect water quality. No health hazards are associated with discolored water from hydrant flushing.
- If water pressure or water volume seems low after flushing has been completed, check your faucet screens (aerators) for trapped particles.

Resources:

For more information, visit our website at www.smcmua.org.

For questions or concerns, contact **Customer Service at (973) 326-6880**.

For problems encountered during flushing, contact **Drew Saskowitz, Water Quality at (973) 326-7232**.