

Flushing of Fire Hydrants

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You may have noticed that fire hydrants are open and water is running down the streets around town. Although it appears that water is being wasted this is actually an important preventative maintenance activity that the City of Sanger undertakes to maintain the integrity of the water system.

The flushing process is done to remove minerals and sediment that naturally accumulate in water mains over the course of the year. This also allows us to check and record water pressure to ensure the proper operation of the system. We ensure that each one is properly maintained and available for use in the event of a fire.

As a result of the line flushing process, residents in the immediate area of the work may experience temporary discoloration of their water. This discoloration consists primarily of harmless silt and air and does not affect the safety of the water. If you experience discoloration in your water after crews have been flushing in your neighborhood, clear the pipes in your home by running all water faucets for a few minutes.