

Hydrant Flushing

City water personnel flushes hydrants twice a year - In April and in October of each year. The process usually takes one week in April and October.

Hydrant flushing is done to rid the lines of built up iron and other particles that collect on the walls of the water mains.

The City gets its water from under the ground. Iron particles are natural in ground water. Over time, these tiny, tiny particles of iron collect on the insides of water mains. Flushing the hydrants help clean the particles off the water mains.

During the flushing, customers may experience some discolored water due to this process. The water is still safe. You may want to let the run until it clears up. The City advertises the actual dates in advance. This provides water customers proper advance notification.

Flushing of the hydrants takes place overnight between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. This is done to cause as little difficulty as possible to residents and businesses served by Bangor's water system.