

Arch Cape Water District 2019 WATER SYSTEM FLUSHING

Why are we flushing fire hydrants?

Arch Cape Domestic Water Supply District (ACDWSD) aims to provide high quality drinking water to all residents within the water service area. In order to ensure proper working order of fire hydrants and water system valves, staff will be out flushing the distribution system during the period of 10/23 – 11/1

When flushing fire hydrants you may notice discolored water due to the removal of sediment. In addition to improving water quality, this process allows Arch Cape Water to assess the general condition of each fire hydrant and valve.

Is discolored water safe to use?

During water system flushing and maintenance you may receive discolored water. The water is safe from harmful bacteria. While it may not be visually appealing, it is safe to drink and continues to meet all federal and state drinking water standards. There is no health hazard associated with the discolored water.

What should I do if I notice discolored water?

If you encounter discolored water following water system maintenance in your area, we suggest you run cold water taps throughout your home (kitchen faucets, bathroom sinks and tubs, etc.) for five to ten minutes until the water runs clear. This allows the discolored water to work its way out of your household plumbing.

If you have further questions regarding water system maintenance and flushing contact ACDWSD at 503-436-2790 or email philchickacutil@gmail.com