

**WATER DISTRIBUTION  
SEASONAL FLUSHING SCHEDULE  
STARTS OCTOBER 5, 2009**

Concord Public Works will perform seasonal water main flushing activities starting the week of October 5, 2009. Routine flushing is required to maintain and improve water quality throughout the distribution system. Most importantly, it allows sediment built up in the water mains, especially dead ends and low flow areas, to work its way out of the system. This reduces the potential for discoloration and sediment in customer's homes.

If flushing or flow testing activities occur within your neighborhood, you should refrain from using unnecessary water during this time. This will reduce your chance of inadvertently drawing sediment into your service line. The following recommendations are provided to help minimize any associated inconvenience.

1. Collect drinking water from your tap before we conduct flushing activities in your neighborhood.
2. If we have completed our flushing exercise and you notice sediment in your service, run a cold water tap without the aeration screen for five-to-ten minutes. This should remove residual sediment from inside your service.
3. If you note discoloration within your hot water system exclusively, you may need to purge your hot water tank. Sediment accumulates inside these tanks over time. Refer to your owner's manual for the manufacturer's maintenance requirements. CPW recommends doing this once a year to prevent build-up. This will also help save energy and prolong the life of your tank! Generic directions for flushing gas and electric water heaters is available on our website [www.concordma.gov/cpw](http://www.concordma.gov/cpw) or by stopping by our office.
4. If discoloration persists, contact the CPW Water and Sewer Division (978-318-3250) for further assistance.
5. If you have an in-ground irrigation system CPW recommends that they are shut off during flushing/flow test activities. This will help avoid bringing in any suspended sediment into irrigation lines which could potentially lead to problems like leaks or clogs.

The flushing schedule, listed below, identifies general areas and times targeted for flushing, **not each individual street**. A map highlighting areas to be flushed is available on our website [www.concordma.gov/cpw](http://www.concordma.gov/cpw). Please note that water quality disturbances caused when flushing are not always limited to these specific areas. You may also experience lower water pressure during the flushing activities. When the flushing is complete, the water pressure should return to normal.

**WEEK OF OCTOBER 5<sup>th</sup>.**

**Monday, October 5th (9am-5pm)**

Middle St., Academy Ln., Thoreau St., Hubbard St., Stow St., Everett St., Sudbury Rd., Willow St., Union St., Brister's Hill Rd., Walden St.

Evening Flow Test; MCI Concord

**Tuesday, October 6th (9am-5pm)**

Middle St., Academy Ln., Thoreau St., Hubbard St., Stow St., Everett St., Sudbury Rd., Willow St., Union St., Brister's Hill Rd., Walden St.

**Wednesday, October 7th (9am-5pm)**

Sudbury Rd., Heaths Bridge Rd., Oxbow Rd., Holdenwood Rd., The Valley Rd., Seven Star Ln.  
Belknap St., Southfield Rd., Riverdale Rd., Pilgrim Rd., Southfield Cir., Potter St., Arena Ter.

Daytime Flow Test, NE Correctional

**Thursday, October 8th (9am-5pm)**

Sudbury Rd., Heaths Bridge Rd., Oxbow Rd., Holdenwood Rd., The Valley Rd., Seven Star Ln.  
Belknap St., Southfield Rd., Riverdale Rd., Pilgrim Rd., Southfield Cir., Potter St., Arena Ter.,  
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**Friday, October 9th (9am-5pm)**

Belknap St., Southfield Rd., Riverdale Rd., Pilgrim Rd., Southfield Cir., Potter St., Arena Ter.

**WEEK OF OCTOBER 12<sup>th</sup>.**

**Monday, October 12th**

No Flushing – Columbus Day

**Tuesday, October 13th (9am-5pm)**

Cambridge Tpke., Hawthorne Ln., Lexington Rd., Bedford St. (Monument Sq. to Greenfield Ln.),  
Partridge Ln., Walnut St., Alcott Rd., Edmonds Rd.

**Wednesday, October 14th (9am-5pm)**

Cambridge Tpke., Hawthorne Ln., Lexington Rd., Bedford St., Partridge Ln., Walnut St., Alcott Rd.,  
Edmonds Rd. Prescott Rd., Monsen Rd., Minot Rd., Old Bedford Rd., Virginia Rd., Kenney Ln.

**Thursday, October 15th (9am-5pm)**

Cambridge Tpke., Hawthorne Ln., Lexington Rd., Bedford St., Partridge Ln., Walnut St., Alcott Rd.,  
Edmonds Rd. Prescott Rd., Monsen Rd., Minot Rd., Old Bedford Rd., Virginia Rd., Kenney Ln.

**Friday, October 16th (9am-5pm)**

Bedford St. (Greenfield Ln. to Old Bedford Rd.), Prescott Rd., Monsen Rd., Minot Rd., Old Bedford  
Rd., Virginia Rd., Kenney Ln.

Concord Public Works appreciates your patience during these required flushing activities. If you have any questions or concerns with the information provided, please call the Water and Sewer Division at (978) 318-3250.

**In an effort to communicate this information more effectively this information is now available on the town's website @ [www.concordma.gov/cpw](http://www.concordma.gov/cpw)**

- **If you no longer wish to receive this information**
- **Would like to receive it only when it applies to your area OR**
- **Would prefer to receive it via email rather than through the regular mail**

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