

NEWS RELEASE

The City of Bowie Public Works Department will begin the annual fire hydrant flushing and testing program in areas served by City water. **Hydrant flushing will be accomplished during daylight hours from approximately 9 AM until 2 PM** in accordance with the following schedule:

APRIL 12 & 13	Buckingham, Derbyshire Sections and Forest Drive
APRIL 14 & 15	Somerset and Bowie Forest Sections
APRIL 16 & 19	Tulip Grove Section including Twin Cedar
APRIL 20	Foxhill & Long Ridge Sections
APRIL 21, 22 & 23	Kenilworth Section
APRIL 26	Heather Hills Section
APRIL 27 & 28	Meadowbrook Section
APRIL 29 & 30	Meadowbrook Section
MAY 3	Gradys Walk & Glenridge Sections
MAY 4	Chapel Forge Section
MAY 5	Victoria Heights Section & Race Track Rd Townhouses
MAY 6	Idlewild Section
MAY 7	Yorktown & Overbrook Sections
MAY 10	Whitehall Section
MAY 11	Rockledge Section

Some discoloration of your water may occur and clothes washing is discouraged. If your clothes become discolored, keep them wet and re-wash them using a rust remover. Rust remover will be available, at no cost, from City Hall and Public Works offices. The water is safe for drinking and bathing even though it may be discolored. The discoloration is a result of rust and sediment build up in the water lines and is not harmful. The discoloration should clear in approximately 24 hours. However, since the water mains are all interconnected, flushing of hydrants in adjacent sections could affect your water as well.