

Discolored Water

Discolored/rusty water can happen for several different reasons; water main breaks, hydrant flushing, firefighting or gate valve exercising to name a few.

Here are some basic instructions on how to clear the discolored water from your home:

- 💧 Check with the District for the cause of the discolored water by either checking our website, our facebook page or by calling our office.
- 💧 Try not to draw the sediment into your residence by limiting your water use while any work is being done.
- 💧 Once the work is complete, wait for approximately a half hour. Then run the water at an outside spigot. **If it does not clear in five to ten minutes**, shut the water off and wait an additional **45 minutes to 1 hour and try again**.
- 💧 If hot water was used when you had rusty water, you may want to flush the hot water tank and lines as well. Most hot water tanks have a tap on the bottom to which a garden hose can be attached. Run it until it becomes clear. 5 minutes is about average.
- 💧 A bathroom faucet uses an average of 5.5 gallons of water per minute. Therefore, running your tub faucet for 10 minutes would cost approximately \$0.37 cents.