

## WATERMAIN FLUSHING OKANAGAN FALLS WATER SYSTEM UPPER AND LOWER ZONES Effective April 2, 2024

March 22, 2024

As a result of the unseasonably warm weather, the Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen (RDOS) has seen irrigation commence in Okanagan Falls earlier than anticipated. This early use of irrigation has resulted in the disturbance of sediments that have accumulated in the water mains over the winter months. This is more noticeable in the Lower Zone, resulting in the discoloration of the water and elevated turbidity. In typical years, flushing of the system is scheduled before the start of the irrigation season. In response, the RDOS will be commencing a **flushing program** in both the **Upper and Lower Zones** of the **Okanagan Falls water system** starting **Tuesday, April 2, 2024**. If you do encounter sediment and discoloration in your water, the RDOS asks for your patience until the flushing program is completed and to follow the recommendations listed below.

Residents may observe some discoloration or sediment in the water. If you experience dirty water, simply run your cold water taps only and/or garden hose until the water runs clear. Minimizing the amount of hot water usage will limit the amount of sediments that could potentially settle out in your hot water tank. Residents may also wish to isolate in home treatment systems during the flushing program until turbidity has decreased to normal levels. In addition, residents should check the water quality before laundering clothing during this time to minimize potential staining or discoloration.

Residents are reminded to use a safe alternate source of water for preparing baby formula for infants and young children due to the potential for elevated manganese levels.

For further information, please contact the Utilities Department at 250-490-4135 during regular business hours, Monday through Friday.

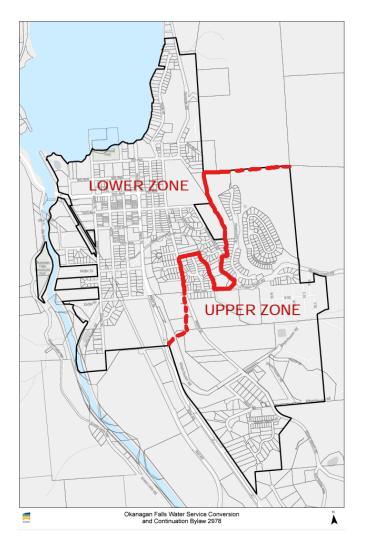
For after-hours water emergencies, please call Regional Dispatch at 250-490-4141.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Links: Map-Water Zones Addresses-Upper and Lower Zones

Attachments: Map-Water Zones Addresses-Upper and Lower Zones

**RDOS Utilities Department** 



## All addresses listed below are in the UPPER ZONE

Street	Addresses
14 <sup>th</sup> Ave	All
Brockie Pl	All
Commercial Rd	All
Commercial Way	All
Iris Rd	All
Leslie Dr	All
Mallory Cres	All
Maple St	1225, 1305, 1369, and all addresses 1406 and up
McLean Creek Rd	All addresses from 1376 up
Mimac Ct	All
Oliver Ranch Rd	All
Peachcliff Dr	All
Peachcliff Pl	All
Wallis Rd	All

## All other addresses are in the LOWER ZONE