

## City of Lewistown Water Department

The City of Lewistown wishes to inform it's customers that during the next two months, starting Aug. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2020, late summer hydrant flushing will be conducted throughout the City's water delivery system.

### **What to expect:**

While hydrant flushing typically will not interrupt your water service, you may notice a temporary drop in water pressure while crews are working in your area. There is also the possibility that water may become temporarily discolored. The discolored water does not pose a health hazard; however, iron (red water) and manganese (black water) may be stirred up within the system during the flushing procedures. If this occurs, simply let your water run until it runs clear.

### **Customer Tips:**

- Avoid running your tap water and using the washing machine or dishwasher while crews are flushing your area. This reduces the chance of pulling discolored water into your home.
- If discolored water occurs, simply run the cold water for a few minutes until it clears. This allows the sediment to work its way out of your pipe.
- Check for discolored water before using the washing machine or dishwasher. Wait until the water runs clear before doing laundry or running the dishwasher.
- In some cases, slight discoloration may linger for a few hours. This discoloration affects the appearance of the water and does not affect water quality. No health hazards are associated with discolored water from hydrant flushing.
- If water pressure or water volume seems low after flushing has been completed, check your faucet screens (aerators) for trapped particles.

### **Resources:**

For questions or concerns, contact Water Department at (309) 547-4306