

**TOWN OF MANCHESTER
WATER AND SEWER DIVISION
PRESS RELEASE**

**FIRE FLOW TEST – Wednesday September 22 at 10:00 A.M.
420 Buckland Hills Drive, Manchester, CT
Walmart Site**

The Water Division will conduct fire flow/hydraulic capacity using the fire hydrants in the area of 420 Buckland Hills Drive, Manchester, CT, to determine the effects upon the water distribution system. The tests will take place on Wednesday September 22 at 10:00 A.M. The hydrant flow test may result in reduced pressure and/or discoloration of the water in the area of 420 Buckland Hills Drive. If water appears discolored, the homeowner should try to avoid using it until it clears. This will prevent rust and sediment from being brought into the home's system.

If sediment does get into a home's hot water tank, the homeowner should wait until the water clears and then open the faucet at the bottom of the tank to drain the collected material, which will settle at the bottom.

Also, if a load of wash is done during the period of discolored water, the load should be kept wet and done again after the water clears. Four ounces of cream of tartar should be added to help clean any discoloration of the clothing.

It normally takes a few hours for the water to clear in a home. If water appears discolored for an extended period, the homeowner should call the Water Division at 647-3201.