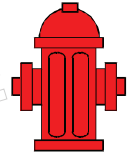


# City of Quinte West 2012 Hydrant Flushing Schedule



Flushing will be carried out daily on weekdays  
7:30 am to 4:00 pm Monday through Thursday,  
7:30 am to 10:30 am Fridays.

The City of Quinte West apologizes for any  
inconvenience caused by hydrant flushing.

Area # 1 -- April 2 to 6 - Glen Miller and Batawa

Area # 2 -- April 9 to 13 - All of Frankford Ward

Area # 3 -- April 16 to 20 - Trenton west side of the Trent River, south of Dundas St.

Area # 4 -- April 23 to 27 - Trenton west side of the Trent River, north of Dundas St. & south of the CPR railroad bridge

Area # 5 -- April 30 to May 4 - Trenton west side of the Trent River, north of the CPR railroad bridge, including all of Telephone Rd.

Area # 6 -- May 7 to 11 - Trenton east side of the Trent River, south of Dixon Dr.

Area # 7 -- May 14 to 18 - Trenton east side of the Trent River, north of Dixon Dr. & west of Sidney St.

Area # 8 -- May 21 to 25 - Trenton east side of the Trent River, north of Dixon Dr. & east of Sidney St. (does not include PMQ's)

Area # 9 -- May 28 to June 1 - All of South Sidney Ward

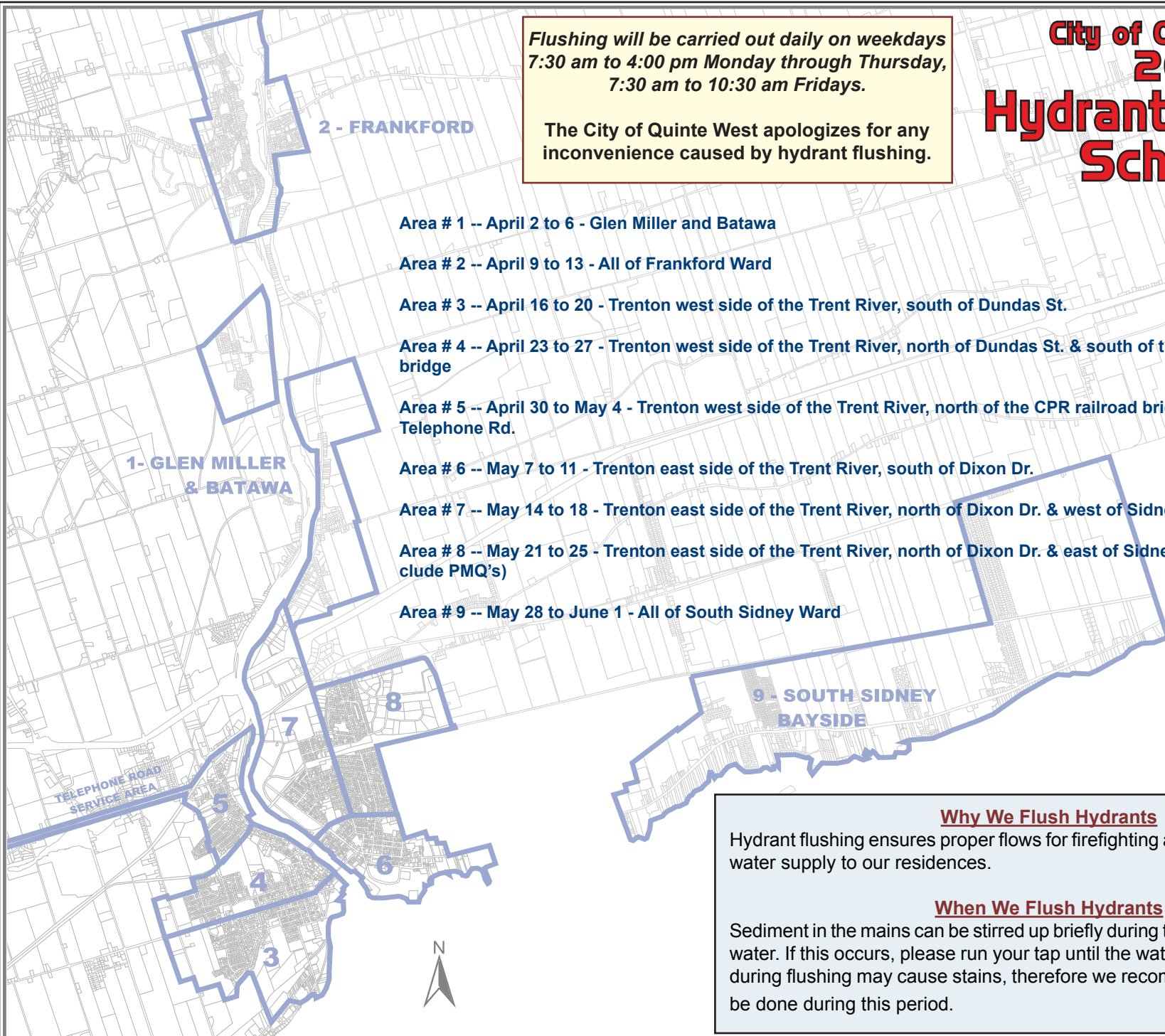


## Why We Flush Hydrants

Hydrant flushing ensures proper flows for firefighting as well as insures a fresh water supply to our residences.

## When We Flush Hydrants

Sediment in the mains can be stirred up briefly during this process causing dirty water. If this occurs, please run your tap until the water clears. Doing laundry during flushing may cause stains, therefore we recommend that laundry NOT be done during this period.



# Every Drop Counts!



Make the most of the water you use in your home. Consider taking shorter showers. Invest in a low-flow toilet or put a plastic bottle filled with water in your toilet tank to reduce the amount of water used per flush. Turn off the tap while brushing your teeth or shaving. Run dishwashers or laundry machines only when full. Use water from cooking for houseplants.



Choose landscaping plants with low water requirements. A typical lawn requires regular watering to maintain its “greenness”. Consider reducing your lawn size and replacing turf grass with native plants, shrubs and trees that generally grow well without a lot of excess watering.



Collect rain water in an old barrel or other large container, and use the water on your garden. Use this water as an alternative to turning on the hose for newly transplanted material, window boxes, flower pots and container gardens. Rain water is actually better for your plants as it does not contain any chlorine and is at ambient temperature. Keep your rain barrel covered to prevent mosquito's breeding and for safety reasons.



Carry a refillable water container rather than buying bottled water. Production, transportation, and disposal of bottled water consume large quantities of water (and energy). You can actually conserve water by switching from bottled water to tap water. Refill your reusable bottle for free @ 3,893 Blue W Program locations across Canada – QW Public Library and Brighton Public Library in local area. See [www.bluew.org](http://www.bluew.org) for more details.



For enquiries, residents should visit [www.quintwest.ca](http://www.quintwest.ca) , (City Hall>Water & Wastewater Services>Links) for additional related information.

## Quick Facts

### How to Prevent Sewer Backups!

A sanitary sewer backup can be a stressful and costly problem. Luckily, many sewer backups can be prevented through preventative maintenance.



### Ways to Prevent Backups in your Lateral and in the City Sewer Main!

Here are a few things residents can do to help prevent their sewer lateral from backing up; and remember too, that the very same things can help to prevent backups in the main city sewer line.

Help to keep your system more efficient, have fewer backups, cost less money, and prevent inconvenience to you by helping to make sure sanitary service lines remain obstruction free:

**Grease:** Avoid pouring cooking oil or other grease down the drain. Instead, pour grease into a heat-resistant container, let it cool, and dispose of it after it cools off, in the garbage. Some people assume that washing grease down the drain with hot water is satisfactory. This grease goes down the drain, cools off, and solidifies either in the drain, the home owner's sewer lateral, or the main city sewer. When this happens, the lateral constricts and eventually clogs.

**Paper Products:** Paper towels, J Cloths/disposable cloths, disposable (and cloth) diapers, and feminine products cause a great deal of problems in the property owner's line as well as in the main City sewer. Unlike bathroom tissue, these products do not deteriorate quickly. They can become lodged in portions of the sewer line, causing a sewer backup. Rather than taking a chance, dispose of these products by the disposal option available for that product (recycling, composting or disposed of in the garbage).

**Roots:** Shrubs and trees, seeking moisture, will make their way into sewer lateral cracks. These roots can do a lot of damage. They may start out small, getting into a small crack in the pipe; but as the tree or shrub continues to grow, so does the roots. This obviously, after time goes on, causes your sewer lateral to break, which in turn allows debris to hang up in the sewer lateral, thus causes your sewer lateral to break, allowing debris to hang up in the sewer lateral causing a backup. Please be careful about planting around your sewer lateral.