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## **CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE TO CHLORINATE WATER SYSTEM**

*Water Treatment Scheduled for June 20<sup>th</sup> through July 25<sup>th</sup>, 2017*

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**WHAT:** The City of Fort Lauderdale Public Works Department will temporarily return to using free chlorine in its drinking water system. Free chlorination is a common practice for water systems using combined chlorine disinfection. The chlorination period is anticipated to be transparent; however, there may be a slight change in the taste or smell of tap water. We suggest storing water in an open pitcher and placing it in your refrigerator. The chlorine will naturally dissipate from the water, and it will become less noticeable. **Users of home dialysis machines, owners of tropical fish and managers of stores and restaurants with fish and shellfish holding tanks are advised to seek professional advice as the method of removing chlorine residuals differs from removing chloramine residuals from tap water.**

**WHEN:** This preventive maintenance procedure will begin at 9:00am Tuesday, June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2017 and will end at 9:00am Tuesday, July 25<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

**WHO:** This procedure will affect the City of Fort Lauderdale, as well as Lauderdale-by-the-Sea, Oakland Park, Port Everglades Authority, Village of Sea Ranch Lakes, Wilton Manors and sections of Davie and Tamarac.

**CONTACT:** For more information regarding the free chlorination of the City of Fort Lauderdale's water treatment system or to request a copy of that City's annual Water Quality Report, please call Fort Lauderdale's 24-hour Customer Service Center at 954-828-8000 or find it online at <http://www.fortlauderdale.gov/home/showdocument?id=15792>. The City of Wilton Manors Emergency Management/Utilities Department can be reached at 954-390-2190 and our current [Water Quality Report](#) can be found on the City's website at [www.wiltonmanors.com](http://www.wiltonmanors.com), in the Utilities Department section.



The City of Wilton Manors' contractor also will be flushing fire hydrants as a routine part of the free chlorination process. This will occur throughout the City in order to distribute the free chlorinated water into all parts of the water distribution system. The pressure of the water may cause a disruption of the sediment that has settled within the water pipes. Because of this, you may find that your water is discolored. This is normal and harmless. The best solution is to run your outside hose for a few minutes until the water appears clear again. This mandatory line flushing for water quality assurances complies with South Florida Water Management District's water shortage restrictions.