

# PORT ORANGE MEMO

## PUBLIC UTILITIES

### WATER DIVISION

To: Robin Fenwick, Deputy City Clerk

From: Steven Miller, Public Utilities Water Production Manager

Subject: News Journal Release on Annual Shock Treatment of Water Distribution System

Date: August 19, 2016

It is that time of year when we perform the recommended shock treatment of the water distribution system with free chlorine residual. It is very important that we inform our customers, through the newspaper, when we will begin to start this procedure. Please submit the following article to the News Journal, to be placed in the Neighbors section, on Friday, September 23, 2016, in 4x4 format, as a public notice:

### **Annual Flushing and Treating of Port Orange Water Distribution System**

The City of Port Orange Public Utilities Department will perform an annual Flushing of the water distribution system beginning Monday, September 26, 2016. This will involve changing the disinfectant from the chloramines we presently use, to free chlorine. Over a period of six weeks, we will allow the free chlorine residual to move out into the distribution system, while we conduct a thorough flushing of all the water mains. We do this annually to maintain the quality of the water, and to ensure that the water distribution system is bacteriologically safe. During this time, the water continues to be of the highest quality and totally safe to drink. However, with the change in disinfectant, some customers may notice a slight difference in the taste of the water. The treatment and flushing will be completed no later than Monday, November 1, 2016, at which time we will return to chloramines. Areas affected by this are the greater Port Orange water distribution system, Harbor Oaks, Allendale, Ponce Inlet, and Daytona Beach Shores

down to Thames Avenue. If you have any questions concerning this procedure, please feel free to contact water treatment plant personnel at 506-5770. We also have an FAQ regarding this procedure on the Public Utilities section of our website at [www.port-orange.org](http://www.port-orange.org).

**cc: Michael Johansson, City Manager  
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