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Public Works News Release

Testing Bishop Hydrants

The Bishop Fire and Public Works departments will be testing fire hydrants over the next 2 weeks. Testing involves turning the hydrants on full one at a time to ensure they will work properly in case of a fire. The testing also determines how much water each fire hydrant can produce.

The fire hydrant testing puts a lot of water on the street so care should be exercised by drivers, pedestrians, and bike riders alike. In some areas of the city, the water may have to run a long distance down the street before it is captured or runs off of the street.

Bishop water customers should be prepared for water pressure fluctuations while the hydrant testing is underway.

There are almost 200 fire hydrants in the City of Bishop so testing all of them moves a lot of water. All this water moving through the system is useful to flush out sediment that can accumulate in the 21 miles of water mains around the city.

Patience with any inconvenience during the hydrant testing is greatly appreciated. For more information contact City of Bishop Public Works at publicworks@ca-bishop.us or 760-873-8458. Press releases posted at <http://www.ca-bishop.us/Advertisements/Releases/Releases.html>