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Fire Sprinkler Flow Test to be Conducted at Former Housatonic School

Customers may notice short-term pressure changes and discolored (“roily”) water on October 1

Housatonic Water will support contractors renovating the former Housatonic School by performing a required flow test on the building’s newly installed fire sprinkler system. The test will occur at 6:30 PM on Wednesday, October 1, 2025.

To complete the test, the sprinkler line will be activated to allow water to flow at high velocity for several minutes. While the test itself is brief, customers may experience temporary fluctuations in water pressure and roily/discolored water afterward as sediment is stirred up in the mains.

“Public safety systems like fire sprinklers must be tested under real operating conditions,” said Jim Mercer, Treasurer of the Company. “This is an important project for the community, and we’ve scheduled the work for the early evening to minimize impacts so that any disturbance can settle overnight.”