

**TOWN OF HAMILTON, MASSACHUSETTS
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS**

**PUBLIC NOTICE
NEED FOR ADDITIONAL WATER CONSERVATION**

The Town of Hamilton is currently preparing to complete a rehabilitation project to its Idlewood Water Treatment Plant needed to maintain its performance and production capacity including the replacement of the existing filter media within the four (4) iron and manganese filter vessels. Work will also include the cleaning and disinfection of the two (2) reaction vessels that support the iron and manganese removal process. This same media replacement work was completed back in 2018 and based on the raw water quality of the Idlewood wellfield, it is anticipated that this media replacement will be done about every five years or so. **The project is scheduled to begin on Tuesday, May 28th, and is anticipated to take about six (6) weeks to complete.**

To complete this work, it will be necessary to take one of the four (4) filter vessels out of service at a time for a period of about 1 to 1-1/2 weeks to accommodate the removal of the existing media, pressure washing of the interior, placement of the new media, disinfection, and conditioning of the new media. As such, during the six-week period of rehabilitation, the plant will be operating at a reduced capacity. Given that warmer weather is approaching, it is typical that water usage will begin to increase as well. Even with the recent rainfall events, **we kindly ask residents to abide by Hamilton's mandatory seasonal water conservation restriction per our WMA regulations, prohibiting the use of automatic sprinkler systems between the hours of 8am to 8pm.** Please continue to be mindful of the on-going plant project and impacts that it will have on overall plant capacity. Whatever steps you can take to further minimize water usage over the next 6 weeks will be beneficial to our water supply and will ensure that we can continue to deliver high quality drinking water to our residents.

We thank you in advance for your patience and consideration, as we make this needed investment to our water supply system. For more information, please visit our website at www.hamiltonma.gov or contact the Department of Public Works at 978-626-5226.

**This public notice is sent to you by the Town of Hamilton
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**Please share this information with all the other people who may drink our water, especially those who may not have received this notice directly (for example, people in apartments, nursing homes, schools, and businesses). You can do this by posting this notice in a public place or distributing copies by hand or mail.*