

## A WATER SYSTEM UPDATE

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Raw water runs clear directly from the well (Well 2) and is still clear after going through the arsenic remediation process. Some have reported a decline in water clarity after it rains. Rainy weather should have no impact on your water supply as it leaves the borough water mains and enters the plumbing in your home or business. The tinted and cloudy water issue lies squarely with sediment in the pipes.

I am happy to share, though, that Well 3 is well on its way to coming online. We had the construction people, our water engineer, our water operator, and the vendor responsible for the technical guts over at the well earlier this week. The well fires up just fine. The technical controls for water flow, PSI, arsenic remediation, and a host of other stuff all appear to be ready to rock and roll, perhaps with just a tweak here or there. It was great to see it working and moving water.

Now, none of that water has been introduced into our water distribution system (water mains, the water tower storage) The mandatory testing for a whole host of things for the DEP to evaluate is next, and unfortunately that COULD take 3 weeks or more. It's not a once and done test. Every effort is being made to expedite the process and even the staff we work with at the DEP are looking to get this testing done and Well 3 back in full service ASAP.

So, progress is being made. When Well 3 is cleared for action, we can jump on our plan to unilaterally flush our water mains with great vigor to hopefully knock a lot of this sediment off the pipes and out of the system.

More updates as they come...

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