

## **City of Stillwater's City Connections Column: Hydrants Color Code**

(STILLWATER, OKLAHOMA—Nov. 21) You may have noticed that the City of Stillwater has been painting the bonnets and barrels of city fire hydrants different colors. The color scheme, which is established by the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) Standard 291, will allow firefighters to determine quickly a hydrant's flow capacity. This quick evaluation is important considering there are more than 1,500 hydrants in Stillwater.

At the same time, the City will be conducting hydrant testing and flushing on all city fire hydrants as well as hydrants located in rural water districts that the city is currently responsible for. Please check the City of Stillwater's web site at [Stillwater.org](http://Stillwater.org) to see which the area the city will be working in. Every effort will be made to minimize any impact that may result to the citizens of Stillwater and the surrounding landscape as a result of the water flow from each hydrant.

For those curious, the bonnet colors indicate the following:

- Rated capacity of 1500 gpm or greater - light blue
- Rated capacity of 1000-1499 gpm - green
- Rated capacity of 500-999 gpm - orange
- Rated capacity of less than 500 gpm - black

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