

WATER BREAK

With Tony Bellitto - Executive Director NPWA



North Penn Water Authority is responsible for maintaining all the fire hydrants in our service area. We have almost 3,200 of them. Each year, as part of our 7-week spring flushing program, we inspect and operate every single hydrant to ensure that they are functioning properly. Annual flushing is an important maintenance measure to ensure that we are delivering the highest water quality in our over 500 miles of distribution system piping. As part of that effort, if we find that any hydrant repairs are necessary, we make sure we take care of it promptly. Obviously, it is critical for public safety that all hydrants work properly when they are needed in an emergency to fight a fire.

Only employees of the North Penn Water Authority or members of the local fire departments are authorized to operate a fire hydrant. It is illegal for anyone else to operate or otherwise tamper with a fire hydrant because it is a potential threat to public safety. This type of offense can and will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law.

We would like to ask all our customers to help us by keeping an eye out for anyone who may be withdrawing water from a fire hydrant, or attempting to tamper with it in any way. If you see anything that looks suspicious, please call us immediately. If it is after normal business hours, our office's outgoing phone message will direct you to our 24-hour emergency phone number. Thank you for your cooperation in helping us to protect the water supply that we all rely on.

After Hours Emergency Number: 215-855-9945

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WATER STATS

Delaware River Basin Water Daily Storage*

(as of March 30, 2008)

Average Daily Water Storage
Percent above Average

270.6 billion gallons
258.5 billion gallons
4.65%

Rainfall

(expressed as inches)

January 2008 thru March 2008
20 Year Average for January thru March

4.40"
7.93"

*Source: www.state.nj.us/drbc/data.htm



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WATER NEWS

Source Water Protection

Only dispose of household hazardous products such as automotive and home improvement products, household cleaners and pesticides at a local collection site. For more information about the 2008 Household Hazardous Waste Collection Program (HHW),



Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Drop-off Program

When cleaning out garages, basements, attics, or storage closets, help protect the community watershed by properly disposing of household hazardous materials. In Montgomery County, HHW collection sites, which also will accept computer electronics, will be at the following locations from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. rain or shine:

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| June | 14 | Montgomery County Community College – use entrance on Cathcart Rd., Blue Bell |
| June | 28 | Spring-Ford School District's Flex School – 833 S. Lewis Road, Royersford |
| August | 2 | Springfield School District – use entrance at 500 Haws Lane, Flourtown |
| October | 25 | Lower Merion Transfer Station – 1300 Woodbine Ave., Penn Valley |

Among the products that may be recycled are used motor oil, brake fluid, gasoline, rug cleaner, drain and oven cleaner, dyes, swimming pool chemicals, paint remover and oil-based paint. More information can be obtained by calling the Montgomery County HHW & Recycling hotline at (610) 278-3618, or visit the Waste System Authority website <http://www.wsaemc.org/Recycling/images/HHW2008-2pg.pdf> to download the 2008 HHW schedule and list of acceptable items flyer or by calling the Authority office.

