

QUONOCHONTAUG CENTRAL BEACH FIRE DISTRICT June 12, 2019

We remind all homeowners that lawn irrigating systems and inground pool water sources are NOT to be connected to the QCBFD water supply. This is by RIDOH requirements. Public Works is mandated by RIDOH to keep records providing confirmation of in home cross connection inspections to assure that pool and lawn irrigation systems are not cross connected to our water supply. As of this year, should we have a coliform bacterial hit on ANY water test, the RIDOH will request these records. Cross connection inspections were last performed about 14 years ago. PW is developing a plan for performing these inspections and maintaining an up to date log for the RIDOH. Any homeowner denying reasonable access for inspections is subject to isolation from the municipal water system. More on the timing of these inspections later this summer.

Road chip sealing is scheduled to take place the week of June 17th. Roads will be swept, liquid tar emulsion placed on the road, and then covered with gravel. Please be aware that for a day or so things can get messy. Please warn any bicycle riders, especially children, to be careful of areas were loose gravel might accumulate.

There are several road corners where brush overgrowth has impaired sight lines. We will notify and offer homeowners the opportunity to trim back their vegetation. Otherwise the Fire District will do so. If anyone has concerns about a street corner and sightline impairment please contact Vincent Reppucci at 203 470 1189 or email <u>reppucci@gmail.com</u> so we can evaluate and address.

Our water continues to be safe to drink. Nitrate levels presently are low, in to 2-3 range, and, as per prior years, we expect they will rise somewhat late summer and fall to about 5. We started monthly nitrate testing in 2013. Since then, beyond the expected seasonal variability, nitrate levels have remained steady with no tendency to rise year over year.

The 2018 Consumer Confidence report is posted on our website and <u>can be reviewed here</u>..... Bottom line...our water is safe to drink!

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