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Water Division Issues Hydrant Painting Program Advisory

ROCKFORD, Ill. – The City of Rockford Water Division maintains 6,500 fire hydrants throughout the City. Each year, from April 1 to mid-November, the Water Division performs its preventative annual maintenance program that includes painting approximately 550 hydrants.

The painting process consists of removing the old weathered coating, adding a white primer to increase paint durability and finally, applying a fresh coat of safety yellow paint to enhance the appearance and improve visibility of faded and weathered hydrants.

The Water Division would like to remind everyone that the primer requires several hours of drying time, which leaves the entire hydrant white until crews return to apply the final coat of safety yellow paint.

For additional information, please contact the Water Distribution Section at (779) 348-7153.

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