

## **PRESS RELEASE**

# LAKE VILLA BEGINS RECEIVING LAKE MICHIGAN WATER

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**Lake Villa, IL.** The Village of Lake Villa and Fox Lake Hills project to bring Lake Michigan Water to your homes and businesses is now complete. Lake Villa is now filling our system with Lake Michigan Water, with the process expected to be completed within a few weeks.

At the Village, it is our job to plan for the future and to make sure we have a safe and sustainable source of drinking water. In 2011, we received a Lake Michigan Water allocation and created a partnership with Lindenhurst and Lake County to bring Lake Michigan Water to Grandwood Park, Lindenhurst, Lake Villa, and Fox Lake Hills. The Central Lake County Joint Action Water Agency (CLCJAWA) has extended their mains to Lake Villa and Fox Lake Hills completing this commitment to bring Lake Michigan Water to these communities!

Moving to a truly reliable water source eliminates the concern about failing wells or radium in deep wells. In addition, Lake Michigan water is softer and has lower iron content, which will help eliminate fixture corrosion. Here are a few things you should know:

#### **Resources**

The Central Lake County Joint Action Water Agency recently published information regarding the shift to Lake Michigan Water. Please click here to view this information and access their FAQ.

#### **Discoloration of Water**

As your water source changes from ground water to Lake Michigan Water, you may notice a slight discoloration of water at first. It is normal after a major construction project to have debris/deposits in your interior plumbing flake off due to changes in water pressure or disturbance to the water system. The discoloration, if it occurs, should not last long.

- Turn on your tap and run cold water for approximately 5 minutes.
- If the water doesn't clear in 5 minutes, wait 30 minutes and try again.
- Wait for clear water before using it for drinking, cooking and laundry to make sure debris is clear.

### **Water Conservation**

Water is a valuable resource that should not be wasted. Here are some water conservation tips that you can practice at home or work.

- Fix any faucet, toilet and showerhead leaks
- Use the dishwasher and washing machine only with full loads
- Don't let the water run while brushing your teeth or shaving
- Don't use the toilet as a trash can
- Water the lawn early in the morning or during the evening to minimize evaporation
- Use a timer when watering the lawn
- Install low flow toilets and showerheads
- Install aerators on bathroom and kitchen faucets

Please call the Village Hall at 847-356-6100 with any questions related to the switch to Lake Michigan Water.

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