

# Should the City of Lethbridge be fluoridating our water? You decide.

## 1. What is the “fluoride” that goes into city water?

The chemical **Hydrofluorosilicic Acid** that is added to fluoridate our drinking water is scrubbed from the smokestacks of the phosphate fertilizer industry and is classified as a toxic substance. The Canadian Environmental Protection Act, Transport Canada and the USA Environmental Protection Agency classify Hydrofluorosilicic Acid as a “persistent”, “bio-accumulative” and “toxic” substance, Class 8 Corrosive dangerous good and Class 1 hazardous waste.

## 2. Does water fluoridation reduce cavities?

Any claimed benefit to the teeth from fluoride is **topical** not through **ingestion**. Do you drink sunscreen?

Toronto has fluoridated for decades, while Vancouver never has, but they have the **same rate** of cavities!

Less than 10% of British Columbia’s population is fluoridated but their cavity rates are lower than provinces with high rates of fluoridation (Alberta, Ontario, Manitoba).

## 3. Is water fluoridation safe?

Studies show that water fluoridation can cause lowered IQ, dental and skeletal fluorosis, arthritis, bone cancer, thyroid dysfunction, increased hip fractures, endocrine disruption and much more.

## 4. Is water fluoridation cost effective?

The City of Lethbridge spends \$85,000 on fluoridation. Only 1% of our water is consumed, while 99% is used for flushing toilets, watering lawns, washing clothes, cars and dishes...recklessly and needlessly dumping over \$84,000 into the environment.

## 5. What’s the environmental impact of fluoride?

In the 1940s, the fertilizer and aluminum industries were allowed to pollute the environment with their waste products. Crops, livestock and people were getting sick and dying. Now, industry captures this toxic waste and sells it to municipalities across the continent for water fluoridation. **Does this make sense to you?**

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