

Is it Safe for the Environment?

- Fluoride has been called “The **most damaging environmental pollutant** of the Cold War.”
- Fluoride gases are **hazardous air pollutants** laced with heavy metals and radioactive contaminants, which by law, must be wet-scrubbed out of industry smokestacks.
- Industries cannot allow fluoride to escape into the environment because of the known adverse effects of **destroying crops, killing livestock and poisoning humans**. Yet if it is carefully metered into our water supply, that’s deemed okay?
- In the words of **Dr. J. William Hirzy (2000) Senior Chemist at the US EPA:**
“If this stuff (hydrofluorosilicic acid) gets out into the air, it’s a pollutant; if it gets into the river, it’s a pollutant; if it gets into the lake, it’s a pollutant; but if it goes right straight into your drinking water system, it’s not a pollutant. That’s amazing.”

Is it Economical?

- Lethbridge spends approximately **\$100,000 per year** on hydrofluorosilicic acid.
- **99%** of fluoridated water is **not consumed** but used for washing cars, watering lawns, flushing toilets.
- That amounts to **\$99,000 going down the drain**, causing **severe environmental pollution**.

Is it Ethical?

- Fluoride is the **only substance added** to our water **to treat the person**, not the water.
- No doctor has the right to administer medication without the **informed consent** of his/her patient.
- Water fluoridation **discriminates against Blacks, Hispanics and Indigenous peoples** who are more susceptible to fluoride toxicity.
- Water fluoridation **discriminates against mothers who bottle-feed**. A baby fed formula mixed with Lethbridge tap water receives up to **400% of the safe dosage**.
- Water fluoridation **discriminates against all the citizens of Lethbridge** who must pay to put it in, and pay to filter it out or buy bottled water. Does this make sense to you?!
- How can the poor afford expensive filtration or even bottled water? Isn’t this grossly unfair?

Take Action

Go to **FluorideFreeLethbridge.com**, where you can:

1. Click the “**Write Council Now**” button to e-mail City Council.
2. Buy a **Lawn Sign** or a **T-shirt**.
3. Like our **Facebook** page & sign up for the **Newsletter**.
4. Find a location to sign the Fluoride Free Lethbridge **Petition**.
5. Join us in our many **activities** to end fluoridation.



Time to STOP this NONSENSE!
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