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Rodger Smith
Highland Subdivision Water System
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Subject: **Source and Storage Evaluation**, Safe Yield Determination and System Source Capacity Evaluation;
Highland Subdivision, System #15005, File #12203

This is not Plan Approval for Construction.

Dear Mr. Smith:

The Division of Drinking Water (the Division) received your request for technical assistance in evaluating your water systems source and storage capacities on July 21, 2020. Details were discussed with Highland Subdivision water system staff during the Division's August 4, 2020 site inspection. Specifically, how the Division would be reanalyzing the capacity calculations for the water system utilizing Division of Water Rights (DWRi) water use data.

The Division requested source water use information to verify the safe yield of the Gordon Creek Spring 2, identified as WS002 within the Division's database and Gordon Creek Spring 7, identified as WS003 within the Division's database.

State of Utah Administrative Rules for Public Drinking Water Systems, Rule **R309-515-7(5)(b)**, **Information Required after Spring Development**, dictates that:

"Immediately after spring development, the water system shall collect monthly spring flow data during operating seasons when the spring is reasonably accessible, as a minimum, for three years, and submit spring flow data to the Director for determination of spring yield. After evaluating the spring flow information including seasonal and annual variations, the Director will determine a spring yield, which will be used in assessing the number of and type of connections that can be served by the spring. The spring yield typically is set at the 25th percentile of the spring flow data. If the spring exhibits significant seasonal or annual variations, the spring yield may be assessed on a case-by-case basis."

Rodger Smith requested and the Division agreed to use ten years of recorded water use data rather than the rule-stipulated three years to account for annual hydrologic variations. The Division received copies of the DWRi information for the past 10 years on August 6, 2020, from Rodger.

Per R309-515-7(5)(b), safe yield or the 25th percentile of the total spring flow data from Gordon Creek Spring 2 (WS002) and Gordon Creek Spring 7 (WS003) from 2009 to 2019 is 60.1 gpm.

The Division requested updated fire flow documentation to meet *State Statute 19-4-114(4) (d)*:

“The Director shall include, as part of system-specific standards necessary, fire storage capacity in accordance with the state fire code adopted under Section 15A-1-403 and as determined by the local fire code official.”

On August 24, 2020, the Division received a letter from Brian Brendel, Chief of the Mountain Green Fire District. The letter details the fire suppression water supply analysis performed by the Fire Chief for fire suppression based on the National Fire Protection Association Standard on Water Supplies for Suburban and Rural Fire Fighting (NFPA 1142). Based on the Fire Chief’s calculations, a minimum of 420,000 gallons of water are required for fire suppression at all times.

Our understanding is that from the previous 2018 sanitary survey 50 Improvement Priority System (IPS) points were assessed towards your system for lacking more than 20% of the required source capacity, which is a significant deficiency.

We have reviewed the fire chief’s letter for conformance with the applicable portions of Utah’s Administrative Rules for Public Drinking Water Systems in R309, and have reviewed the capacity calculations.

Our records indicate that your water system service area consists of 333 residential connections, serving approximately 1,200 people. Based on the DWRi water use reported for 2019, the number of residential connections was 398 and 15 other connections (including industrial or institutional). The 15 additional other connections had a combined total equivalent residential use of 69 residential connections based on the residential use submitted to DWRi for that year. The total number of residential connections utilized in the Division’s calculation, based on DWRi water use data, is 467 Total Equivalent Residential Connections (ERC).

The attached Excel spreadsheet contains detailed calculation information. Below is the summary of the calculations.

Indoor Water Use:

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS FOR INDOOR WATER USE			
Source		Storage	
Required Per ERC	Total	Required Per ERC	Total
(gpd/ERC)	(gpm)	(gallons/ERC)	(gallons)
800	259.4	400	186,800

Outdoor Water Use:

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS FOR OUTDOOR WATER USE			
Source		Storage	
Required Per ERC	Total	Required Per ERC	Total
(gpd/ERC)	(gpm)	(gallons/ERC)	(gallons)
806	234.6	375	156,957

Fire Suppression:

Required Fire Suppression Storage (gallons) = 420,000 gallons

Disinfection credit:

Required volume for disinfection 25,000 gallons

Total Water System Requirements:

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS FOR WATER SYSTEM			
Source		Storage	
Required Per ERC	Total	Required Per ERC	Total
(gpd/ERC)	(gpm)	(gallons/ERC)	(gallons)
1,606	494.1	775	763,757

Source

Our estimate indicates this water system needs a minimum of 494.1 gpm for drinking water source to meet total water demands based on water use reported to DWRi. Per R309-515-7(5)(b), safe yield or the 25th percentile of the total spring flow data from Gordon Creek Spring 2 (WS002) and Gordon Creek Spring 7 (WS003) from 2009 to 2019 is 60.1 gpm. The source capacity of the new Highlands Well #1 (WS005) is 265 gpm. The Highlands total source capacity of 325.1 gpm is **deficient by 169 gpm**. The existing total source capacity of the Highland Subdivision is only **65.8% of the required source capacity**.

We encourage you to continue to collect flow data throughout the year, especially during low spring flow conditions such as summer and fall, so the spring safe yield can be updated to reflect changes in the spring flow data.

We thereby conclude that the safe yield of your three water sources, i.e., 325.1 gpm, is insufficient source capacity to serve your community. Therefore, **your water system is deemed to be in noncompliance with the minimum requirements of our Rule R309-510-7, Source Sizing.**

Storage

Our estimate indicates this water system needs a minimum storage volume of 763,757 gallons to meet the indoor, outdoor, and fire suppression water demands. The water system currently has four storage tanks for a combined volume of 1,190,000 gallons. With a required fire storage of 420,000 gallons and a required 25,000 gallons to be maintained to achieve proper disinfection, the water system has **sufficient** storage capacity of 152.5% of total required storage volume.

Conclusions

Based on these calculations, the Highland Subdivision water system's facilities are inadequate to serve the system's demands. The 50 IPS points assessed for lacking source capacity during the 2018 survey will remain in the Division's database.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, you can contact me either by phone at (385) 271-7039 or e-mail chparker@utah.gov.

Sincerely,



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CP/mrn/nl/mdb

Enclosures –
1. PWS Capacity Calculations
2. DWRi 25th Percentile Calculations
3. Updated IPS Report

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Division of Drinking Water — Water System Capacity Calculation Sheet (Last Update 3/30/2017)

Enter the green cells only

System Name **Highland Water Co.**

System Number **15005**

1.1 Indoor Water Use

Convert "Number of other connections" (Cell E9) to ERCs here. [ERCs of other connections = peak day demand of other connections in gal per day / 800 gpd]

Number of residential connections

398

Number of other connections - - -

15

ERCs of other connections

69.0

(Example: water use of 2 factories equals to water use of 55 homes.)

Enter number of non-residential connections, e.g., 2 industrial connections.

Total Equivalent Residential Connections (ERCs) **467.0**

MIN. REQUIREMENTS FOR INDOOR WATER USE

Source		Storage	
gpd/ERC	Total (gpm)	Gallons/ERC	Total (gallons)
800	259.4	400	186,800

1.2 Outdoor Water Use

Is the drinking water used for outdoor irrigation?

☒ Yes ☒ No

Residential ERCs using drinking water for irrigation

398

Percentage of Residential ERCs using DW for irrigation

100%

Average irrigated acreage **per residential connection**

0.20

Total irrigated acreage of **other connections** (park, school, etc.)

4.20

(Enter notes here regarding whether and what % of irrigation water is supplied by PWS.)

Enter total irrigated acres of other connections here.

Irrigation zone

2

Select Irrigated Zone # from the pick list. See "Irrigation Demands & Map" tab on the bottom of the screen or WaterLink.

MIN. REQUIREMENTS FOR IRRIGATION USE

Source		Storage	
gpd/ERC	Total (gpm)	Gallons/ERC	Total (gallons)
806	234.6	375	156,957

1.3 Fire Flow Water Use

Does the water system provide fire protection?

☒ Yes ☐ No

Maximum fire flow demand (in gpm) for water system or pressure zone

NA

Maximum fire suppression duration (in hours) for water system or pressure zone

NA

Required Fire Suppression Storage (in gallons)

420,000

(*Verify req'd fire flow and duration with local fire code officials.* Enter notes here, e.g. fire official contact info or comments.)

Enter duration in hours.

2. Summary of Water System Capacity Requirements

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS FOR WATER SYSTEM

Source (indoor + outdoor)		Storage (indoor + outdoor + fire)	
gpd/ERC	Total (gpm)	Gallons/ERC	Total (gallons)
1,606	494.1	775	763,757

2.1 Does this system have adequate source capacity (per R309-510-7)?

This source capacity assessment is a general overall system calculation. It may not reflect the variations in individual areas or pressure zones.

Required Source Capacity 494.1

gpm

Existing Source Capacity 325.1

gpm

Source Capacity Deficit 169.0

gpm

Existing % of Total Req'd 65.8%

Autolink to 2 "Total Source" cell above.

Autolink to 4.2 "Total Existing Source Capacity" cell below.

Source deficit indicates that: (1) additional source capacity is needed, and (2) source deficiency should be assessed.

Less than 100% indicates: (1) additional source capacity is needed, and (2) source deficiency should be assessed.

2.2 Does this system have adequate storage capacity (per R309-510-8)?

This storage capacity assessment is a general overall system calculation. It may not reflect the variations in individual areas or pressure zones.

Total Required Storage	763,757	gal	Autolink to 2 "Total Storage" cell above.
Existing Storage Capacity	1,165,000	gal	Autolink to 4.3 "Total Existing Storage Capacity" cell below.
Storage Capacity Deficit	None	gal	Storage deficit indicates that: (1) additional storage volume is needed, and (2) storage deficiency should be assessed.
Required Fire Storage	420,000	gal	
Is storage deficiency <u>solely</u> due to fire storage?	Not Applicable		If NO, answer one of question set 2.01 to 2.05 in ESS. If YES, answer one of question set 2.06 to 2.10 in ESS.
Existing % of Total Req'd	152.5%		Less than 100% indicates: (1) additional storage capacity is needed, and (2) storage deficiency should be assessed.

3. Transient PWS Indoor Water Use — ERC Calculation (See R309-510, Tables 510-1, 2, & 4 for other facility types.)

	MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS FOR INDOOR USE						
	Source		Storage				
Facility Type	GPD/person*	GPD/site or pad	Gallons/person	Gallon/site or pad	ERC/site or pad	Total # of sites/pads	ERCs
Modern Recreation Camp	60	0	30	0	0.00		0.0
Semi-Developed Camp w/ flush toilets	20	0	10	0	0.00		0.0
Semi-Developed Camp w/o flush toilets	5	0	2.5	0	0.00		0.0
RV Park	N/A	100	N/A	50	0.13		0.0
Number of people per camp site		If applicable, enter number of people per camp site here.					
	Source (GPD/vehicle)	Storage (Gal./vehicle)	ERC/1000 vehicles served	Vehicles served/day	ERCs	If applicable, use this number in cell 18 or cell 19 on Page 1.	
Roadway Rest Stop w/ flushometer valves	7	3.5	8.8		0.0		

4. Data Input for Calculating ERCs, Source and Storage**Highland Water Co.**

4.1 Projected ERCs Calculation (optional)	
Total Projected ERCs	1
Existing Residential Connections	1
Obligated Future ERCs (enter below)	
Armormax 1?	1

Use this number in Cell I8 ("Number of residential connections") on Page 1 to calculate PROJECTED demand & req'ts (including both existing & future connections).

Diaphragm or air pressure tanks shall NOT be considered effective storage volume for (1) community systems, or (2) NTNC with significant demand UNLESS an exception has been granted.

(Enter notes here. If additional space is needed, click the "Additional Notes" tab on the bottom of the screen.)

4.2 Summary - Existing Sources (enter in green cells below)

Total Existing Source Capacity (in gpm)		325
WS002	Gordon Creek Sp #2*	
WS003	Gordon Creek SP #7*	
	DWRi safe yeild	60.1
WS005	Highlands Well***	265
*Springs flows safe yeilds established in 1999		
***Test capacity 2150 gpm, 2017 PA proposed equip with 265 gpm, 2020 OP request stated		
Maximum ERCs (assuming indoor use only)		585.18

4.3 Summary - Existing Storage Tanks (enter below)

Total Existing Storage Cap. (in gallons)		1,165,000
ST001	Tank #1	80,000
ST002	160k Tank	160,000
ST003	250k Gordon Creek no 1	250,000
ST004	700k Gordon Creek no 2	700,000
	Reduce volume for CT	-25,000

System: Highland Water Co.
tem No.: 15005
Source: Gordon Creek Springs 2 and 7
ource ID: WS002 and WS003

Percenti 0.25
Unites o ac-ft/mo

25th Percentile of Totals

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual Total
2019	7.85	6.09	6.38	7.82	11.67	36.55	53.28	51.99	35.69	14.33	9.22	8.5	249.37
2018	7.97	7.38	8.97	8.96	26.61	51.14	63.49	36.2	26.31	10.86	5.91	6.92	260.72
2017	10.63	10.69	22.64	10.45	18.6	56.37	62.27	56.23	33.62	10.38	6.38	7.56	305.82
2016	9.33	6.77	7.35	9.21	11.12	45.38	40.44	57.59	34.56	11.58	8.28	12.05	253.66
2015	6.34	6.3	8.45	8.21	9.18	36.44	49.46	44.87	35.41	14.9	7.41	7.74	234.71
2014	7.03	7.37	8.43	9.68	24.99	50.68	49.08	38.35	32.86	12.95	11.22	7.57	260.21
2013	6.22	7.97	9.16	11.19	31.45	39.74	52.99	46.94	23.26	12.56	5.78	8.21	255.47
2012	9.74	8.07	8.8	11.73	33.17	47.69	56.1	43.24	27.79	17.19	7.47	7.34	278.33
2011	18.61	7.9	17.58	14.16	12.7	26.29	53.79	44.31	37.27	12.3	8.1	8.79	261.8
2010	9.26	7.24	7.78	7.38	10.49	32.3	57.77	49.32	34.53	16.36	7.3	9.14	248.87
2009	6.74	6.15	6.75	9.01	19.28	28.42	49.91	46.82	31.68	9.41	6.62	6.66	227.45

ac-ft gpm
21.5 Avg 160 Avg
63.5 Max 472 Max
5.78 Min 43.0 Min

8.1 ac-ft per month
96.93 ac-ft per year
0.3 ac-ft per day
60.1 gpm

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HIGHLAND SUBDIVISION (MORGAN)	PWS ID: UTAH15005	Rating: Approved	02/16/1988	Active
Legal Contact		Site Updates		Consumptive Use Zone
HIGHLAND SUBDIV (MORGAN)		Last Inventory Update: 06/15/2020		Irrigation Zone: 2
RODGER A SMITH		Last Surveyor Update: 08/14/2018		Date: 02/15/2013
5880 N HIGHLAND DR		Surveyor: ELDEN L OLSEN		
MOUNTAIN GREEN, UT 84050		Operating Period: 1/1 - 12/31		
Phone: 801-876-3494		Last IPS Update: 08/28/2020 07:00:00		
County: MORGAN COUNTY				
System Type: Community				
Population: 1,200				

Admin Contacts

Name	Title	Office	Emergency	Email
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IPS 2020 Report

IPS 2020 Summary		Total IPS Pts: 115
Admin & Physical Facilities	Quality & Monitoring	Significant Deficiency
65	0	50

Physical Facility Points 2020

Total Pts: 65

Facility	Facility Name	Status			Points Effective	
DS001	UTAH15005 DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM	A			50.0	
Code	Description	Severity	Comments	Determined Date	Not Assessed	Assessed
M001	CURRENT EMERGENCY RESPONSE PROGRAM	REC		07/07/2009		0
S094	SYSTEM LACKS MORE THAN 20% OF REQUIRED SOURCE CAPACITY	SIG	THIS YEAR THEY HAVE 48% OF REQUIRED CAPACITY. THE OPTIONS AND RECOMMENDATION FOR THE CAPACITY DEFICIENCY TO BO 1) CONTEST THE FINDINGS, 2) ENTER INTO A CAP AGREEMENT WITH DDW BEFORE 120 DAY DEADLINE, AND 3) GET ADDITIONAL CAPACITY APPROVED WITHIN 120 DAYS. THE CAP WILL NEED TO INCLUDE A DISTINCT PLAN TO GET THE SITUATION RESOLVED BUT CAN EXTEND THE 120 DAY DEADLINE. THE PLAN FOR THE CAP COULD INCLUDE 1) VALIDATING THAT THE SPRING YIELD FROM THIS YEAR IS NOT REPRESENTATIVE, 2) REQUESTING A SYSTEM SPECIFIC SOURCE SIZING STANDARD WHICH WILL REQUIRE AN ENGINEERING STUDY, OR 3) OTHER OPTION PRESENTED ADN ACCEPTED BY THE DIVISION.	08/14/2018		50
ST002	160K TANK	A			15.0	
Code	Description	Severity	Comments	Determined Date	Not Assessed	Assessed
V021	STORAGE TANK ROOF OR SIDEWALLS SHOW SIGNS OF MILD OR MODERATE DETERIORATION	MIN	SMALL CRACKS ON TOP OF TANK	08/14/2018		15
ST003	250 K GORDON CREEK NO. 1	A			0.0	
Code	Description	Severity	Comments	Determined Date	Not Assessed	Assessed
V017	STORAGE TANK SUBJECT TO CONTAMINATION DUE TO UNSEALED OPENINGS ON TANK ROOF OR SIDEWALLS	SIG	EXCESSIVE SEEPAGE	08/04/2020	100	0
WS005	JOHNSON WELL 1	P			0.0	
Code	Description	Severity	Comments	Determined Date	Not Assessed	Assessed
S001	UNAPPROVED SOURCE IN SERVICE	SIG	TEMPORARY OPERATING PERMIT ISSUED 8/24/2020. SYSTEM MUST OBTAIN PERMANENT OPERATING PERMIT BY 9/30/2020.	08/24/2020	200	0

Significant Deficiency Violations					Total Pts: 50
ID	Violation	Code	Deficiency	Determined	Point Effective
DS001	45 FAILURE ADDRESS DEFICIENCY (GWR)	S094	SYSTEM LACKS MORE THAN 20% OF REQUIRED SOURCE CAPACITY	05/14/2020	50

Operator Certification		
Type	Level Required	Highest Certificate
Distribution	Small System	Dist 2
Treatment		

Open Compliance Schedule					
Type	Required Activities			Severity	Created Due
ERROR:PBCU	SUBMIT LCR SAMPLING SITE PLAN				06/15/2020 09/30/2020
ERROR:PBCU	SUBMIT CC STUDY PROPOSAL				06/15/2020 10/31/2020
Corrective Action Plan	SOURCE CAPACITY DEFICIENCY-CORRECT				12/12/2018 11/01/2019
DEFY	SYSTEM LACKS >40% OF REQUIRED SOURCE CAPACITY			SIG	08/14/2018 11/01/2019
DEFY	STORAGE TANK SUBJECT TO CONTAMINATION DUE TO UNSEALED OPENINGS ON TANK ROOF OR SIDEWALLS			SIG	08/19/2020 09/19/2020
DEFY	UNAPPROVED SOURCE IN SERVICE			SIG	08/24/2020 09/30/2020