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Subject: Driftwood Heights Association (ID#19948) Island County
Routine Sanitary Survey Response Letter

Office of Drinking Water
Washington State Department of Health
Northwest Regional Engineering Staff
Alexi Medina, EIT and Sandra Bodamer:

This letter is our response to your routine sanitary survey of our water system on September 14, 2023. Thanks to Alexi Medina, EIT Northwest Regional Office, Ron Bodamer, King Water, and Fernando Pedroza, King Water Operator meeting with us.

The discussions and information provided by Alexi Medina and King Water during the inspection was very informative and will help our association to improve the operations and maintenance of our system.

We are continuing to work with our engineer to update our system documentation and design the necessary upgrades to the system. We are continuing to work on developing an asset management program and secure funding to make necessary upgrades.

Our actions and responses to the inspection finding are underlined and in bold text below.

2023 Sanitary Survey Issues:

Significant Deficiencies – *Potential significant public health risks*

1. Replace the cap on the end of the tank-level device for the 40,000-gal reservoir. This uncapped pipe is a direct opening into the drinking water system. **King Water installed cap. I have emailed a photo to Alexi Medina and have attached a copy to this letter.**

Significant Findings – *Defects in your facilities or operations that need immediate attention.*
NONE

Observations – *To notify you of other violations of drinking water rules.*

1. The water system should maintain a minimum distribution disinfection residual of 0.2 mg/L in the distribution system. **Getting quotes and evaluating how to implement a sampling program to verify we meet 0.2 mg/L in the distribution system.**

2. All systems not required to create a Water System Plan (WSP) must develop and implement a Small Water System Management Program (SWSMP). **Currently working on a Capital Improvement Project that would include developing SWSMP Manual. If project is not approved, we will pursue having our engineer prepare a manual for our association.**
3. Develop and implement a Cross-Connection Control Program. The first step is to ensure the Association has the authority to implement it and then complete a cross-connection assessment to inventory potential hazards. **In process of verifying if we have the authority to implement the program.**
4. Please note, that water systems need to develop and submit a Lead Service Line Inventory (LSI) by October 16, 2024. **We have started the inventory and identified 50 of 111 residences that require further inspection.**
5. It is my understanding that past modifications were made without DOH approval to the booster pump station. These modifications are considered to be a change in the system design that requires DOH approval. I understand the Association is working with an engineer to make further upgrades. Continue to work with your engineer to design and submit for DOH approval before constructing or making any additional modifications. **We have contacted our engineer and are in the process of reviewing documentation. We will supply to Alexi Medina as we discover information on the above topics. If we cannot locate necessary information, we will submit new applications to allow for approval and updating our system configuration.**

Recommendations – *To improve your managerial, financial, or technical capacity.*

1. Develop an Asset Management Program to prioritize necessary upgrades and build financial reserves. Please review Chapter 3: Financial in our SWSMP guidance for additional resources. **We have downloaded the necessary forms and are reviewing our documentation and working with our engineer to develop a working Asset Management program.**
2. Please update the WFI form. You can find this form on the Sentry Internet Database. **We have downloaded the current WFI on file and have started a 100% review and will submit an updated copy as soon as we have completed.**

Sincerely,


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