

2023-00119 COMMISSION STAFF'S FIRST REQUEST FOR INFORMATION TO UNION COUNTY WATER DISTRICT

1. Provide the last six water usage reports from the fire departments that obtain water from Union District's system.
 - We are unable to provide the last six water usage reports from the fire departments due to December 2023 was the first month that the county (volunteer) fire departments reported usage to Union County Water District. December 2023 usage reports are attached. (Attachments 1A – 1E).
2. If the water usage reports from the fire departments are not available, explain state the reason.
 - The fire departments were not previously turning in reports to Union County Water District despite being asked.
3. If the water usage reports from the fire departments are not available, state what steps are being taken by Union District to acquire them.
 - I, Gary Sheffer, have met with Adam O’Nan, UC Judge Executive, as well as Lee Baird, UC Emergency Management Director, regarding the need for the fire departments to report their usage on a monthly basis. Mr. Baird has since gotten with each department chief personally to stress the importance of these reports and the implications if they do not. I have also provided each department with a template to use for reporting. This template was given to each department in the month of December for them to use going forward. It is my hope that each department now understands more clearly the importance of these reports and turns it in monthly as mandated. If they fail to comply, I will have no choice but to seek intervention from both the Judge Executive and Emergency Management Director. (Copy of template - Attachment 3A)
4. State if Union District is requesting authorization at this time to use any water loss surcharge funds, or if it is just seeking approval of the Qualified Infrastructure Improvement plan filed on November 14, 2023, and intends to seek authorization for use of funds at a later date.
 - Union County Water District is currently not seeking authorization to use any water loss surcharge funds at this time. Union County Water District is only seeking approval of the Qualified Infrastructure Improvement Plan and will seek authorization for use of funds at a later date.
5. If Union District is requesting authorization to use water loss surcharge funds provide a list of items/projects and their associated costs for which authorization is being sought. Also, state how the items/projects will assist in decreasing unaccounted for water loss, and whether and if so why Union District contends that they do not require a Certificate of Public Necessity and Convenience.
 - Union County Water District is not currently seeking authorization for use of water loss surcharge funds.

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Water usage

From: Dale Pierce (dp42437@hotmail.com)

To: ucwdgarysheffer@yahoo.com

Date: Thursday, December 21, 2023 at 02:33 PM CST

The Whispering meadows had no water usage.
Dale Pierce

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Water Usage

From: Chad Cullen (chiefchadcullen@gmail.com)

To: ucwdgarysheffer@yahoo.com

Date: Tuesday, December 26, 2023 at 08:40 AM CST

Zero usage on both City System and County plugs in our district sir.

Chad Cullen

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