

November 18, 2020

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RE: Notice of failure to correct significant deficiencies at the Latgawa Methodist Church Camp public water system

Records indicate the Oregon-Idaho Conference of the United Methodist Church owns the Latgawa Methodist Church Camp public water system (hereinafter "Water System") located at 13250 S Fork Little Butte Creek Rd. in Eagle Point, Oregon. The Oregon-Idaho Conference of the United Methodist Church (hereinafter "Water Supplier") is therefore a water supplier as defined in ORS 448.115(12) and OAR 333-061-0020(150) and has specific responsibilities as defined in OAR 333-061-0025.

The Water System is a transient non-community public water system identified by ID# OR4193973 that serves approximately 50 people and is subject to regulation according to the Oregon Drinking Water Quality Act (Oregon Revised Statutes 448.115 to 448.290) and Oregon Administrative Rule (OAR) 333-061-0005 through OAR 333-061-0272.

The Oregon Health Authority, Drinking Water Services (DWS) has reviewed the operation of the Water System. This review has found that Water Supplier is not in compliance with OAR 333-061-0076(5) and therefore not meeting its responsibilities as a water supplier.

OAR 333-061-0076(5) requires water suppliers to correct significant deficiencies or to be in compliance with an approved corrective action schedule. Water Supplier has not reported that significant deficiencies were corrected by the April 7, 2020 due date at the Water System. One deficiency, the lack of a flap valve, screen or equivalent protective device covering the overflow from a finished water reservoir, is considered a direct pathway for contamination to enter a water system and is a priority for correction. The failure to correct this deficiency by the due date following the August 8, 2019 sanitary survey is a violation of OAR 333-061-0076(5) and (7).

DWS recognizes the Water System is currently closed and not supplying drinking water to visitors to the camp; therefore, please submit written verification to me that this deficiency is corrected prior to operating the Water System in the 2021 calendar year.

- DWS records indicate the Water System is operated from June 15 to September 30 every year. If Water Supplier will not begin operations at the Water System by June 15, 2021, it must notify DWS of the delay on or before June 1, 2021 and provide an estimated date when operations are expected to begin.

If Water Supplier does not comply with the deadlines specified in this letter, the continued non-compliance may result in additional enforcement action, which could include the assessment of civil penalties in the amount of \$50 for every distinct rule violation and for every day the Water System is in violation of a rule as prescribed by OAR 333-061-0090. Please contact me at (971) 673-0407 or at bradley.k.daniels@dhsoha.state.or.us if you have any questions about the compliance action specified in this letter.

Respectfully,



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Oregon Health Authority, Drinking Water Services

cc: Zach Cunningham-Golik, Oregon Health Authority, Drinking Water Services