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RE: Notice of failure to correct significant deficiencies at the Willamette National Forest, Cove Creek Campground

Records indicate The United States Department of Agriculture, Forest Service owns and operates the Cove Creek Campground public water system (hereinafter “Water System”), which is located in the Willamette National Forest. The United States Department of Agriculture, Forest Service (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 public water system identified by ID# OR4195005 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.

OAR 333-061-0076(5) requires water suppliers to correct significant deficiencies or to be in compliance with an approved corrective action schedule. The Oregon Health Authority, Drinking Water Services (DWS) has reviewed the operation of the Water System and found that significant deficiencies were identified during a sanitary survey conducted on July 29, 2020. Water Supplier has not reported that these significant deficiencies were corrected by the December 30, 2020 due date. Water Supplier is therefore not in compliance with OAR 333-061-0076(5) and therefore not meeting its responsibilities as a water supplier.

One deficiency, the lack of a watertight casing and sanitary seal for a groundwater well, is considered a direct pathway for contamination to enter a water system and is a priority for correction.

Please submit written verification to me that this deficiency is corrected within 30 days of the date of this notice.

If Water Supplier does not comply with the deadline 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 (503) 735-5438 if you have any questions about the compliance action specified in this letter.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "BK Daniels", is written over a light gray rectangular background.

Brad K. Daniels

Oregon Health Authority, Drinking Water Services

cc: Rebecca Duerr, Linn County Environmental Health