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**Re: Water System Master Plan, PR #37-2025, Tollgate Water Co., PWS ID#4100087
Concurrence with Master Plan**

Dear Leah:

Thank you for your submittal to the Oregon Health Authority's Drinking Water Services (DWS) of the 2022 Water System Master Plan for Tollgate Water Company. On March 5, 2025, the plan review fee of \$4125 was received. On March 10, 2025, our office received a pdf copy of the Water System Master Plan. The review of the Master Plan confirmed the criteria listed in Oregon Administrative Rule 333-061-0060(5) have been met.

The Master Plan covers a 20-year planning period from 2022 to 2042. It includes a system description, future demand estimates, and a prioritized list of capital improvements with cost estimates. The system's existing water sources are adequate to supply the projected demand at buildout. Recommended projects include constructing a 200,000-gallon bolted steel reservoir, replacing a 250-foot segment of asbestos-cement pipe, and installing radio read meters at all service connections including at the common areas.

I have the following comments:

- I generally concur with the list of recommended capital improvement projects.
- I note that the preferred funding source for the improvement projects will be determined in consultation with Business Oregon, USDA Rural Utilities Service, and other agencies.

- I note the absence of a description of operation and maintenance requirements for the existing system. In the future, additional operation and maintenance costs will be incurred to pay for periodic inspections and cleaning of the new reservoir and staff time to administer billing based on metered water use.
- I note the absence of a description of impacts of probable future drinking water quality regulations. Based on the system's configuration and past sample results, I anticipate any potential impacts to be minimal. A new rule requiring sampling for Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) will go into effect soon, and initial sample results will be due by the end of 2027.

If you have any questions, please feel free to email me at william.h.goss@oha.oregon.gov or call at (541) 966-0900.

Sincerely,



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