



Consortium Technical Committee Summer Supply Check-In

JULY 15, 2020 VIA ZOOM/TELECONFERENCE

Summer Supply Roundtable Discussion

Trask/Tualatin Rivers:

- Hillsboro – Niki shared Scoggins River and Barney Reservoir fill curves. Good shape with supply. Scoggins never filled but municipalities were not impacted by it. Scoggins currently 88% full. Barney filled and is 89% full. For all Joint Water Commission partners 87% stored water remaining, all customers over 80% stored water remaining.
- Beaverton – Have not noticed big change in water demand. About 10 MGD which is normal. No supply issues to report. Relying on stored water and ASR. Should be good through November.
- TVWD – Doing well with supply. Lower than average water demand. Mid 25 to 30 MGD. Do not anticipate supply issues this summer. Elected not to purchase interruptible water from Portland this summer to help with peaking factor for next year's water sales.
- Forest Grove – Watershed producing approximately 2,000 gallons a minute. Not tapping into JWC supply yet but will likely be regulated off soon.

Clackamas River:

- CRW – Shared historical look, 2015-2020, of daily median discharge. Above median flows for this time of year. Water sales down in June 8-10%.
- Sunrise Water Authority – Water demand down about 20-25%.
- Lake Oswego – Seeing dramatically lower usage. Water production from Water Treatment Plant down 20-25% in June.
- Oak Lodge Water Services District – Residential demand up slightly likely because more

- people are at home. Commercial usage down but not having a major impact because OLWSD does not have a lot of commercial customers.

Bull Run:

- Portland – Reservoirs full. Not in draw down yet. Median drawdown date is July 5. Have had three of the earliest drawdown dates in past five years. June storms dumped two to three times more water in the watershed. Overall demand is down. Residential usage is up slightly, commercial usage down pretty significantly. Plan to do groundwater maintenance run in August but not planning to use groundwater as a supplemental supply this summer.
- Gresham – Demand increased this week to 8 MGD. Had been below 7 MGD throughout June. Kirk Park wellsite work continues. Hope to have completed in August. Prepping Southwest Community Park site for new test well. Crews have remained busy with CIP projects – new main work, replacement mains, etc.

COVID-19 Discussion

- Most Consortium member entities have suspended late fees and shutoffs during COVID-19. Some have seen record number of accounts that would be in shutoff status if not for the decision to suspend them. Consortium members spent some time discussing the suitability, process and potential timeline for reaching out to customers proactively and to resume shutoff policies.
- Washington County has set aside \$3 million for utility relief. Niki will share program plan when it is available.
- CTC members discussed equity among workers (field vs. telework), kids, school, etc. and how to manage that. Hillsboro is doing a study/analysis on how childcare challenges impact teleworking and onsite workers. Niki will share results when the study is completed. Portland has made some stride in equity for office staff as now all of their Customer Service group is working remotely.
- Many entities are continuing to have their field staff do split shifts, staggered starts, and keeping the same workers in isolated groups (“quarantesting”).

Additional Items

- Next summer supply check in meeting is Wednesday, August 12.
- Consortium dues letters and invoices were e-mailed out. Dues are due by September 1.
- A brown bag is in the works for the Emergency Planning Committee and anyone else interested on AWIA (America’s Water Infrastructure Act).
- The City of Wilsonville City Council will consider rejoining the Consortium at their meeting on July 20.

- Eddie will work to get Gabe Solmer, soon to be new Portland Water Bureau Director to attend an upcoming CTC meeting so she can be introduced to other Consortium members.

Attendees:

David Winship – City of Beaverton; Todd Heidgerken – Clackamas River Water; Greg Robertson – City of Forest Grove; Niki Iverson – City of Hillsboro; Andrew Degner – City of Gresham; Kari Duncan – City of Lake Oswego; Sarah Jo Chaplen – Oak Lodge Water Services District; Edward Campbell – City of Portland; Tim Janssen – Sunrise Water Authority; John Goodrich – City of Tigard; Carrie Pak – Tualatin Valley Water District; Mike Grimm – West Slope Water District; Rebecca Geisen, Bonny Cushman, Riley Berger and Patty Burk – Consortium Staff.