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# Interoffice Memo

**DATE:** March 13, 2024

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**FROM:** **ERIC MELLO**, Lieutenant  
Barstow Station

**TO:** **RON MARKEGARD**, Captain  
Barstow Station

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**SUBJECT: DAGGETT CSD STATS FEBRUARY 12, 2024 - MARCH 12, 2024**

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Friday, February 23, 2024 - Death Investigation: Deputies responded to the area of Hidden Springs Road and Sante Fe Street in Daggett regarding a pedestrian being struck by a train. The male victim was located deceased east of the crossing. BNSF Police responded to the location and assumed the investigation.

During the past month, deputies handled 56 calls for service, took 2 reports, made 5 traffic stops and made 0 arrests in the unincorporated areas of Daggett.



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## MEETING NOTES

**Date:** 2/14/2024

**Time:** 10:00 am – 11:00 am

**Called by:** Provost & Pritchard

**Location:** Video Conference (Teams)

**Subject:** AR 6973 – Daggett CSD

**Attendees:**

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Robert Whipple – Daggett CSD	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bryan Potter – SWRCB, DDW
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jody Howard – Daggett CSD	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Malvis Campbell III – MCLB Barstow
<input type="checkbox"/> Dawn White – Golden State WC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hamish Kellam – Provost & Pritchard
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> David Lopez, San Bernardino DEHS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Steve Spencer – Provost & Pritchard
<input type="checkbox"/> Gabriela Garcia, San Bernardino DEHS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mike Brosseau – Provost & Pritchard
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> David Chan – SWRCB, DFA	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mindy Geiselman – Provost & Pritchard
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Salem Alyafeai – SWRCB, DFA	
<input type="checkbox"/> Hector Cazares – SWRCB, DDW	

## AGENDA ITEMS

### INTRODUCTIONS

### WORK PLAN UPDATES

- Feasibility study updates
  - Study is progressing with the draft due March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2024.
  - Discussions around the fire flow requirements are ongoing, with a need for 1800 gpm for the northern area (PZ1) and 1200gpm for the southern area of town (PZ2).
  - Jody will confirm the fire flow requirements with the fire department and update Hamish.
  - Mojave Water Agency (MWA) and water rights: Mike has been in communication with Jeff Ruesch from MWA regarding additional fees for water rights in the Mojave Desert. A meeting between DCSD, GSWC, MWA, and P&P may be necessary to discuss further.
    - David clarified that the initial MWA basin transfer fees would be covered by State funding, but future annual fees would need to be covered by GSWC in their O&M.
  - Steve requested to see the pipe network for the Nebo base. Malvis had previously sent the utilities map but will check for accuracy and offered to arrange a future visit to the base for a more detailed discussion.
  - The main line is thought to run approximately half a mile out of the east side of the base. MWA has a main line running alongside the USMC line but is used only for recharge.
- GSWC Barstow system capacity
  - Questions regarding the GSWC – Barstow system and its capacity are to be directed to Dawn for further clarification.
- Clarification and funding for pipe sizing



- Malvis clarified that there are currently no plans to connect USMC Yermo Annex base to the USMC Barstow base. Doing so would require a larger pipe sizing than the 8" necessary for the Daggett CSD supply.
- David confirmed that DFA would not fund a larger pipe size to accommodate future capacity. DFA will only fund sizing to accommodate current demand.
- UDWN reimbursement request status
  - Payment to contractor complete.

### **PARTNER UPDATES**

- Daggett CSD
  - Legal challenges and compliance
    - Jody discussed ongoing lawsuits with River Water and a hotel, along with the need for assistance with legal representation. David noted that State funding wouldn't cover attorney fees.
    - Daggett CSD does not have the funds to pay for legal representation or any damages sought by either party. If a lawsuit continues, the CSD foresees being unable to continue managing the water system.
    - Bryan Potter mentioned seeking pro-bono legal work to assist with the lawsuit against Daggett CSD. The State would not involve their legal team directly as the lawsuit is not directed at the SWRCB, DFA, or DDW.
    - P&P can provide a feasibility study progress update that Daggett CSD may share to indicate their efforts towards finding a solution for the uranium contamination.
    - The Compliance Order deadline is in March 2024. Bryan emphasized that the deadline likely could be extended as Daggett CSD and their partners are actively working towards a solution for the system.
  - Bottled water funding
    - Update 2/16/24: Hamish checked on the status of the bottled water funding extension with RCAC. RCAC's work plan amendment for assistance has been submitted and is awaiting approval. The Urgent Drinking Water Needs (UDWN) funding extension for 2024-2025 has been submitted and will hopefully be approved by end of February.
- San Bernardino DEHS
- SWRCB DFA, DDW

### **QUESTIONS/DISCUSSION**

- Town hall meeting: Robert would like to plan a town meeting with all stakeholders, including businesses, to discuss ongoing issues and progress towards clean water solutions.

### **NEXT STEPS**

- Jody to forward legal information to P&P to clarify what information may support their progress update.
- Mike to continue dialogue with MWA for more information on basic transfer fees.
- P&P to discuss potential community meeting with GSWC and DDW.
- Draft feasibility study to be completed and shared with project stakeholders by 3/31/2024.

Next meeting: Second Wednesday of the month, March 13, 2024, at 10:00 am.