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Subject: RE: Construction water use

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**Subject: RE: Construction water use**

**Date:** August 23, 2017 at 1:56:51 PM PDT

**To:** "Johnston, Eric C." <[ecjohnston@cob.org](mailto:ecjohnston@cob.org)>

Met with the Mayor about this issue today. She agreed that we could provide the Lummi with construction water up to the amount we are flushing without charging them.

I also called Ferndale to let them know about the Lummi request and to see if they had any issue since the construction is actually within the Ferndale limits. Ferndale was fine with it, in fact it is their preference that Lummi get the construction water from us, they are having some supply issues right now.

I'll send Chip an email today letting him know. Hopefully, he can work with Marty on the details.

Thanks

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**From:** Johnston, Eric C.  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 22, 2017 2:40 PM  
**To:** Carlson, Ted A. <[tcarlson@cob.org](mailto:tcarlson@cob.org)>  
**Subject:** RE: Construction water use

Agreed

**From:** Carlson, Ted A.  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 22, 2017 2:39 PM  
**To:** Johnston, Eric C. <[ecjohnston@cob.org](mailto:ecjohnston@cob.org)>  
**Subject:** RE: Construction water use

Thanks.

I think it would make sense for the City to allow the Lummi to take up to the current amount being flushed without charging them. However, given the current request, I'm going to run it by the Mayor first. I'm meeting with her tomorrow at 11 am to discuss.

I let Chip know that I would get back to him tomorrow.

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**From:** Johnston, Eric C.  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 22, 2017 12:47 PM  
**To:** Carlson, Ted A. <[tcarlson@cob.org](mailto:tcarlson@cob.org)>

**Subject:** RE: Construction water use

Read through the attached emails.

Below would be similar to what was done before but to lower amount of water and one that we can justify based on current practice and the customer consumption history

**From:** Johnston, Eric C.

**Sent:** Tuesday, August 22, 2017 12:09 PM

**To:** Carlson, Ted A. <[tcarlson@cob.org](mailto:tcarlson@cob.org)>

**Subject:** RE: Construction water use

I don't know how Bill or Bob communicated to them about discontinuing the practice of giving water for free. From what I recall, Bill reached out to the Lummi and offered/encouraged more use of the water. I don't know how or what was done on the billing side of things. Bob keep that one fairly close to the chest and the meter reads don't show a significant usage of water during that period.

We are currently flushing 35,000gallons a week from the system to maintain the minimal chlorine residual. The Lummi used 760,000 gallons (95,000gal/week) during the last billing period. They are using a lot more water than we would need to flush in order to maintain the residual.

We could set up a credit on their account for a maximum of 35,000 gallons/week if their usage exceeds a nominal amount, say 50,000gallons/week. That way we are not "wasting" water but the Lummis are paying for water in excess of what we need to waste in order to maintain the residual. It would be good for both of us and would be easy to set up.

**From:** Carlson, Ted A.  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 22, 2017 11:35 AM  
**To:** Johnston, Eric C. <[ecjohnston@cob.org](mailto:ecjohnston@cob.org)>  
**Subject:** FW: Construction water use

I'm starting to understand the request. It appears Chip is asking for free water similar to what it looks like was happening back in 2013.

Did we let Lummi know we would not be continuing that practice? Are we still flushing out in that part of the system to help with the low residual issues?

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**From:** Chip Anderson [<mailto:Chipa@LTSWD.com>]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 22, 2017 10:47 AM  
**To:** Carlson, Ted A. <[tcarlson@cob.org](mailto:tcarlson@cob.org)>  
**Subject:** RE: Construction water use

Ted,

Attached are the correspondence from 2013. It was my understanding actual approval came from either you or the Mayor. Strider has a much lower cost alternative than the City rates. Our system is a little closer and safer for their crews, so I thought I would offer our assistance. Please review the emails, I authorized significant effort on the part of the LTSWD to COB.

Respectfully,

Chip Anderson  
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**From:** Carlson, Ted A. [<mailto:tcarlson@cob.org>]  
**Sent:** Monday, August 21, 2017 4:56 PM  
**To:** Chip Anderson <[Chipa@LTSWD.com](mailto:Chipa@LTSWD.com)>  
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**Subject:** RE: Construction water use

Good afternoon Chip,

Good to talk with you earlier today. The City has no issues with the District buying water under the terms of our existing contract. As we discussed, the conditions of our current interlocal agreement limit the re-sale of Bellingham water to District customers within the District's boundary at the time the ILA was signed back in 1990.

Last week at the Bellingham City Council Meeting, Council directed the Administration and staff to continue discussions with the Lummi Nation on water service to the Slater Road site. I look forward to continued discussions. Thanks

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**Subject:** Construction water use  
**Importance:** High

Ted,

I have been meaning to send this email much sooner, but I've been dealing with a family emergency. Finally, I'm moving down on my to do list, again.

In July of 2013, Bob Bandarra called me and asked if the District we would be willing to use as much as much water as our system could take. Bob explained that a City Utilization Review indicated, it would be a "no-brainer", in regard to the staff hours and money saved. Apparently, it proved to be a boon for the City in 2013 and 2014, when there were many construction projects along the Kwina corridor and even though the District had to install and maintain a temporary re-chlorination station, it made sense for us too. The City almost eliminated the need to flush hydrants altogether, and we weren't juggling our wells in order to keep up.

In 2015 and 2016, I couldn't justify the cost to the District, of temporarily installing and maintaining a re-chlorination station. Especially, after adding the cost of an L&I claim incurred in 2014. We do have a circumstance that is another Win-Win situation. We can use the water required for the Truck Stop construction without

installing a temporary station and eliminate the more intensive effort of well juggling and reduce the amount you will need to flush.

Unless, there have been modifications to the City's infrastructure, my assumption is; *especially now*, in the months of August and September when stagnant distribution lines are a maintenance nightmare. We have another opportunity that would be beneficial for both parties. Please let me know if you agree. I cc'ed Peg on this, because I'm certain she probably water quality information readily available and may have other analyses conducted by Bill Evans and Bob.

Have a good weekend!

Respectfully,

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