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Mike,

I am writing to follow up on comments I submitted to you on June 10, 2019, via email, on the Diamond Bar Water System, ID1280268. After my comments were submitted, I received further information regarding this system. As a result of this new information, I wanted to provide additional comments.

First, it has come to my attention that the proposed buyer (Gem State Water Company, LLC) of the Diamond Bar Water System has executed an agreement with the current System owner to continue to use the backup source, meeting the requirement of IDAPA 58.01.08.501.17, Ground Water Source Redundancy. Although this may be a short-term agreement, this currently satisfies IDAPA 58.01.08.501.17.

Additionally, I have learned that the redundant well was constructed in the late 1960s, prior to the promulgation of the rule requiring the redundant (emergency) source to have a dedicated well lot, IDAPA 58.01.08.512. Thus, there is no current requirement for Gem State Water Company to have a dedicated well lot. In the event the redundant emergency source were to be contaminated, and it was determined contamination was attributed to activities within well setback distances, an alternative emergency source may be required.

I am of the understanding that the Gem State Water Company is considering acquiring an alternative redundant source that will satisfy well lot requirements. The current redundant (emergency) source does not meet minimum buffer distances, as noted in the 2015 Drinking Water Supply Report provided to you on June 10. Acquiring a redundant source that meets all DEQ's rules would be in the best interest of public health.

Thank you,



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