Saxman water Report January 2025

The month of January was tough in the beginning of the month for the water plant trying to keep up the level in the 802 tank and was challenging, but we managed to pull through the tough times, with the help of our outside resources, Sara Ramey (ANTHC), James Hubbard (TUS) remote maintenance worker ,and 2 workers from (OVS) we were able to get the appropriate amount of media in the water filters , all of the readings on the Honeywell are available and correct and also on the Allen-Bradley Panel View the readings are available and accurate also the air scour panel reading is fixed the transducers for the 802 tank level and the 125 tank level are available and correct at the water plant. So, we do not have to climb the tanks to get readings anymore, we can get every piece of information at the water plant, and we are very thankful and appreciative for all the progress we have made at the water plant. We owe James Hubbard a huge thank you we could not have done this without him.

With the media changed and everything working we are not out of the woods, yet we will still have several more backwashes to do to season the filters we are making excellent water now and it can only get better. We will need to do 3 Total coliform samples in order to get off the boil water notice, I believe we are ready to take those samples, the next sample we will be getting ready for is the (DBP2) we are on track to take this one and pass also.

We located a water leak on Dog Salmon St. About 150 feet down from water plant we got it dug up and discovered it was about a 2in hole in a 12in pipe @ around 40psi, it was a very significant find we got it patched up with a 12in band and put a load of D-1 gravel all around pipe. The pipe we have seen on Dog Salmon was getting pitted on the outside bottom of the pipe. There was also a section of that same water line about 30 ft up from this one where Paul Hamilton replaced 8 ft of pipe 2 years back. We are thinking it could be the same all the way down Dog Salmon when leaks keep happening on same line. This section of water line could easily be isolated and taken out of service without disturbing other connections because water will still be fed from other direction on both sides.

With the water plant working better and the 802 tank level building so is our confidence in getting other things done around the city, we already got the new blacktop ready to go we started on the potholes filling them with gravel and compacting so we can get them patched with blacktop and sealed with rubber patch sealant. We will also be sealing the seams in the roads throughout Saxman keeping the water from penetrating the roads creating new potholes.

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