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Subject: Lack of Reserv for Fire Fighting

It is now April 29, 2023, entering the twelfth month that CCWD has not had a secondary storage tank. Apparently CCWD does not realize that it has another responsibility beyond reliably providing safe potable water and that is to provide adequate water reserves to support fire fighting. Twice already in 2023 the sole tank has been drained completely empty. Had fire occurred in a structure the fire fighters would have only been able to watch it burn once their onboard supply of 1200-1500 gallons was exhausted. A typical structure fire uses about 5,000 gallons of water. At least two houses in Canebrake have sprinkler systems but they only work if there is adequate water pressure. That won't happen with an empty tank. CCWD has been lax in providing the necessary reserve storage in a timely manner, made worse by poor leadership choices and direction in the acquisition of the new tank. Most of the CCWD board consists of weekend residents who might spend four to six days a month in Canebrake during the season. When these board members return to their homes in the city Canebrake is largely forgotten. People who live here full time or seasonally have a greater sense of immediacy and urgency when there is an issue with the water system which I do not see reflected in the non-resident board members. If our house in Canebrake is destroyed it is not a matter of us returning to the San Diego area now that we live in Idaho. The CCWD needs to recognize the full ramifications of system outages and react quickly with well thought out plans. These plans require anticipating different classes of problems and generating contingency plans to address the issue. This cannot be adequately addressed only during the time the board members spend in Canebrake.

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