

Level 1 Validation Certificate

This document verifies that the Level 1 Validation process was completed. The session details and audit review outcomes are included here.

This certificate is required for submission – alongside the Level 1 validated water audit software file – to the California Department of Water Resources.

Call Date: 9/10/2020

Water Supplier

Supplier Name: Cambria Community Services District

Supplier Participants: Melissa Bland, Jim Green, Ray Dienzo

Key Audit Metrics

Data Validity Score: 62

ILI: 0.42

Real Loss: 8.59 gal / conn / day

Apparent Loss: 1.63 gal / conn / day

Non-Revenue Water as Percent
of Cost of Operating System: 1.8%

Validator

Validator: Isabel Szendrey,
Water Systems Optimization

Validator Qualifications: Water Audit Validator Certificate from
the AWWA California Nevada Section

Certification Statement by Validator

This water loss audit report has been Level 1 validated per the requirements of California Code of Regulations Title 23, Division 2, Chapter 7 and the California Water Code Section 10608.34.

All recommendations on volume derivation and Data Validity Grades were incorporated into the water audit.

Level 1 Validation – Water Supplier Confirmation

This document confirms participation in and endorsement of the Level 1 Validation as completed.

This acknowledgement is required for submission – alongside your Level 1 validated water audit software file – to the California Department of Water Resources.

Water Supplier Name: Cambria Community Services District

Water Supplier Public Water System ID: 4010014

Water Audit Period: CY 2019

Water Audit & Water Loss Improvement Steps

Steps taken in the audit period timeframe to increase data source accuracy, reduce real losses, and/or reduce apparent losses, as informed by the water audit.

During calendar year 2019, the CCSD took steps to improve the Water Department's SCADA system, providing more accurate real-time data regarding flow volume and water quality. In addition, the Water Department has pivoted away from patchwork repairs throughout the distribution system and began a program of service line replacement—both responsive and preventative. A Request for Proposals was drafted in 2019 to obtain the services of a leak detection company to perform a system audit and identify potential sources of real loss. A full-time conservation assistant was hired in 2019 to better support the CCSD's water use efficiency and water loss control programs.

Certification Statement by Water Supplier Executive:

This water loss audit report meets the requirements of California Code of Regulations Title 23, Division 2, Chapter 7 and the California Water Code Section 10608.34 and has been prepared in accordance with the method adopted by the American Water Works Association, as contained in their manual, *Water Audits and Loss Control Programs, Manual M36, Fourth Edition* and in the Free Water Audit Software version 5.

Executive Name (print): Ray Dienzo, PE

Executive Position: Utilities Department Manager / District Engineer

Signature: 

Date: 9/17/2020



Level 1 Validation Summary Notes

This document includes detailed notes about utility practices as reviewed during third-party level-one water audit validation.

This document is not a required submission to the California Department of Water Resources. It is meant to provide background and documentation of the validation process.

Call Information

Utility	Validator
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Validation Call Notes

Audit Input	Grade	Audit Input Notes	Data Validity Grade Notes
Volume from Own Sources	5	<p>Source Meter Profile: Source of water are San Simian wells (3 wells) and Santa Rosa wells (3 total, but 2 used for potable water and one for non-potable water). Volume reported for San Simian wells (SS1 – SS3) from individual well meters (Mag Meters). Volume reported for SR 3 well from raw water meter minus metered backwash. Volume reported for SR4 is treated water meter. SR wells calibrated in 2016.</p> <p>Derivation: Manual reads from production meters as reviewed and archived.</p> <p>Comments: Input derivation from supporting documents confirmed. Exclusion of non-potable volumes confirmed.</p>	<p>Approximate Percent of Volume Metered: 100%</p> <p>Approximate Percent Tested and/or Calibrated: 40%</p> <p>Calibration Frequency: Within last 5 years but less than annually.</p> <p>Volumetric Testing Frequency: None.</p> <p>Volumetric Testing Method: n/a.</p> <p>Comments: No additional comments.</p>
Volume from Own Sources Master Meter and Supply Error Adjustment	3	<p>Derivation: Left blank in absence of available test data.</p> <p>Change in Storage Considered: No.</p> <p>Comments: 6 storage tanks with levels continuously monitored. Net storage change could be obtained for futures audits.</p>	<p>Source Meter Read Method: Manual and automatic logging.</p> <p>Source Meter Read Frequency: Continuous.</p> <p>Data Review Practices: Each business day.</p> <p>Real-Time Storage Level Monitoring: Yes.</p> <p>Comments: Net storage change as limiting criteria for DVG.</p>
Water Imported	n/a	Import Meter Profile: No imports	n/a
Water Imported Master Meter and Supply Error Adjustment	n/a	n/a	n/a
Water Exported	n/a	Export Meter Profile: No exports	n/a

Water Exported Master Meter and Supply Error Adjustment	n/a	n/a	n/a
Billed Metered Authorized Consumption	5	<p>Derivation: Bi-monthly billing report</p> <p>Customer Meter Profile:</p> <p>Read Frequency: Bi-monthly.</p> <p>Reading Technology: AMR. Approx 20% read manually due to register/encoder malfunction.</p> <p>Age Profile: Most meters are 15 years old</p> <p>Comments: Lag-time correction is not employed in input derivation. Input derivation from supporting documents confirmed. Exclusion of non-potable volumes confirmed. Total consumption from billing report does not include consumption from accounts that started/stopped in that billing period. This total obtained from Deletion Report and added to Billing report totals.</p>	<p>Approximate Percent Metered: 100%</p> <p>Small Meter Testing Practices: Reactive - complaint based or flagged-consumption testing only.</p> <p>Number of Small Meters Tested: 4-6/ year</p> <p>Large Meter Testing Practices: Reactive - complaint based or flagged-consumption testing only.</p> <p>Number of Large Meters Tested: Not specified</p> <p>General Replacement Practices: Meters have generally not failed. Replacements generally upon property remodel/upgrade. Registers/encoder are more likely to fail and those cannot be replaced. Once an encoder fails, meter is then ready manually.</p> <p>Billing Data Review: Standard billing QC, plus review of volumes by use type each billing cycle.</p> <p>Comments: No additional comments.</p>
Billed Unmetered Authorized Consumption	n/a	Profile: No unmetered accounts	n/a
Unbilled Metered Authorized Consumption	10	<p>Profile: Their own facilities' uses and two unbilled accounts. Everything metered and read monthly.</p> <p>Derivation: Direct from meter readings. Obtained from billing report.</p>	Policy for Billing Exemptions: Own facilities plus two exemptions.
Unbilled Unmetered Authorized Consumption	5	<p>Profile: Operational uses and flushing and fire department usage not currently tracked. CA Default input applied.</p> <p>Comments: No additional comments</p>	Comments: Default grade applied.
Unauthorized Consumption	5	Comments: Default input applied.	Comments: Default grade applied.
Customer Metering Inaccuracies	4	<p>Derivation: Rudimentary estimate.</p> <p>Comments: 4 customer meters were tested this audit period to investigate error in meters.</p> <p>*See BMAC comments regarding meter testing & replacement activities.</p>	<p>Customer Meter Testing: Limited (upon request AND consumption flag only).</p> <p>Customer Meter Replacement: Limited (upon failure only).</p> <p>Comments: No additional comments.</p>
Systematic Data Handling Errors	5	Comments: Default input applied.	Comments: Default grade applied.

Length of Mains	8	<p>Derivation: Totaled from GIS based map from 2004. No significant changes in system since then.</p> <p>Hydrant Laterals Included: Yes.</p> <p>Comments: No additional comments.</p>	<p>Map Format: Digital.</p> <p>Asset Management Systems: In place and integrated with GIS system.</p> <p>Map Update Process: Accomplished through normal work order processes.</p> <p>Comments: No additional comments.</p>
Number of Service Connections	8	<p>Derivation: Standard report run from billing system.</p> <p>Basis for Query: Account ID - non-premise based.</p> <p>Comments: Number of accounts considered a very close estimate for number of services. Less than 1% may have multiple accounts to one service.</p>	<p>Field Validation: Accomplished via specific efforts for service inventory, outside of normal meter reading processes.</p> <p>Estimate of Error: 1%.</p> <p>Comments: No additional comments.</p>
Average Operating Pressure	4	<p>How Pressure is Maintained: Several tanks, PRVs, and pump stations separating 8 different pressure zones.</p> <p>Pressure Range: 40 - 120</p> <p>Derivation: Inferred from observations of pressure readings in field obtained during 2016 at 368 hydrants.</p> <p>Comments: No additional comments.</p>	<p>Pressure Data Collection: Instant hydrant pressures</p> <p>Real-Time Monitoring: Basic - telemetry or pressure logging at boundary points (supply locations, tanks, PRVs, boosters).</p> <p>Hydraulic Model: None currently in place.</p> <p>Comments: No additional comments.</p>
Annual Operating Cost	10	<p>Derivation: From official financial reports.</p> <p>Comments: Confirmed costs limited to water only, and water debt service included.</p>	<p>Auditing Practices: Annually by a third party CPA.</p> <p>Comments: No additional comments.</p>
Customer Retail Unit Cost	10	<p>Rate Structure: Tiered structure with different rates for customer classes</p> <p>Derivation: Total consumptive revenue divided by Billed Metered Authorized Consumption. Sewer charges are based on water meter readings. Sewer revenues are incorporated into calculation. Also incorporated Sustainable Water Facility charge.</p> <p>Comments: No additional comments.</p>	<p>M36 Review: Input calculations have been reviewed by an M36 water loss expert in 2018.</p> <p>Comments: No additional comments.</p>
Variable Production Cost	5	<p>Primary Costs: Own sources only.</p> <p>Secondary Costs: None currently included.</p> <p>Comments: Included Electricity and treatment costs.</p>	<p>M36 Review: Primary costs only. Input calculations have not been reviewed by an M36 water loss expert.</p> <p>Comments: No additional comments.</p>

Infrastructure & Water Loss Management Practices:

Infrastructure age profile: Original system from the 1960's. Most infrastructure was replaced to PVC and AC pipes during the 1980's.

Infrastructure replacement policy (current, historic): Replacing service lines in problematic areas due to large leak rates.

Estimated main failures/year: 0 in 2019

Estimated service failures/year: ~80 per year

Extent of proactive leakage management: 1/3 of the system is surveyed every quarter

Other water loss management comments: Residential leak detection program