

Best Practices Score
Port Heiden
FALL 2018

Category		O&M Scoring Criteria		Possible	Score	Explanation of Score	How to Improve Score	Contact
Technical	Operator Certification	Utility has more than one operator certified to the level of the water system		10	10	System Classification: No public water system Primary Operator: <i>No certified operator required</i> Certification Level: <i>N/A</i> Backup Operator: <i>No certified operator required</i> Certification Level: <i>N/A</i> No certified operator required	N/A	ADEC Operator Certification Program 465-1139
		Primary operator is certified to the level of the water system and the backup operator holds some level of certification in water treatment or distribution		7				
		Primary operator is certified to the level of the water system and the backup operator holds no certification or there is no backup operator		5				
		Utility has one or more operators certified at some level in water treatment or distribution		3				
		Utility has no certified operators		0				
	Preventive Maintenance Plan	Utility has a written PM plan; PM is performed on schedule; records of completion are submitted on a quarterly basis and have been verified		25	25	The community has no utility that requires maintenance.	Full points have been awarded in this category.	Erik Somers BBAHC RMW 842-6624
		Utility has a written PM plan; performance of PM and record keeping are not consistent		15				
		Utility has no PM plan or performs no PM		0				
	Compliance	Utility had no Monitoring and Reporting violations during the past year		10	10	The utility had 0 Drinking Water Monitoring and Reporting violations in 2017. The community does not operator a public water system.	The Drinking Water Program provides you with an Annual Monitoring Summary with all of the required samples for your water system. All samples and reports must be collected and submitted in a timely manner.	ADEC Drinking Water Program
		Utility had up to five Monitoring and Reporting violation during the past year		5				
Utility had more than five Monitoring and Reporting violation during the last year		0						
Managerial	Utility Management Training	A person who holds a position of responsibility for management of the utility has completed a DCRA approved Utility Management course or other utility management training course within the last five years		5	5	Maranda Shade attended financial training on 3/9/2018.	To maintain the full points in this category, consider sending someone to one of the free RUBA trainings each year.	
	Meetings of the Governing Body	The utility owner's governing body meets routinely consistent with the local ordinance/bylaw requirements and receives a current report from the operator		5	5	The city council agenda always includes an update from any utility or partner of the city.	To maintain full points, the governing body must continue to meet according to ordinance and provide RUBA with meeting minutes.	
		The utility owner's governing body meets routinely consistent with the local ordinance/bylaw requirements		2				
		The utility owner's governing body does not meet		0				
Financial	Budget	Utility owner and the Utility have each adopted a realistic budget and budget amendments are adopted as needed; Accurate monthly budget reports are prepared and submitted to the governing body		15	15	The City of Port Heiden does not currently operate a water or wastewater system, however, the community adopts realistic and detailed budgets for each enterprise or section of the city.	Full points have been awarded. Continue to provide monthly financial reports to RUBA for verification.	Casey Dschaak DCRA RUBA Program 842-1969
		Either the Utility or the Utility owner has adopted and implemented a budget, the other has not		13				
		Either the Utility or the Utility owner has adopted a budget, but it is not being implemented		10				
		Utility owner and the Utility have not adopted a budget		0				
	Revenue	Utility is collecting revenue sufficient to cover the Utility's operating expenses and to contribute to a repair and replacement account		20	5	The City of Port Heiden has fees for services provided by the city. However, the revenue collected is not sufficient to cover the operating expenses. Port Heiden does not have revenue generation outside of fuel sales.	To receive additional points, the utility needs to provide monthly financial reports to RUBA and demonstrate sufficient revenue and subsidy to cover the utility's expenses.	
		Utility is collecting revenue sufficient to cover expenses		15				
		Utility has a fee schedule and a collection policy that is followed		5				
		Utility has no fee structure or collection policy		0				
	Worker's Compensation Insurance	Utility has had a worker's compensation policy for all employees for the past two years and has a current policy in place		5	0	The Native Village of Port Heiden has a workers comp policy in place but the EIN number for the city does not have an associated current workers comp policy.	The utility must obtain worker's compensation insurance to receive additional points.	
		Utility has a current worker's compensation policy in place for all employees		2				
		Utility has no worker's compensation policy		0				
	Payroll Liability Compliance	Utility has no past due tax liabilities and is current with all tax obligations		5	0	The City of Port Heiden currently owes back taxes for the tax period ending in March 2018. The City has outstanding tax obligations and has not filed a form 941.	To receive additional points in this category, the city must either become current on all outstanding reports and tax liabilities, or must enter into a repayment agreement for outstanding tax liability, and remain current on payments.	
		Utility owes back taxes, but has a signed payment agreement, is current on that agreement, and is up-to-date with all other tax obligations		2				
Utility is not current with its tax obligations and/or does not have a signed repayment agreement for back taxes owed		0						
CIP O&M Score		15	SDS O&M Score	12	TOTAL SCORE		75	