

**Best Practices Score
Akiachak
SPRING 2020**

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	3	System Classification: Water Treatment 2 Primary Operator: <i>Henry Pasitnak</i> Certification Level: <i>WT 1</i> Backup Operator: <i>Ronald Nose</i> Certification Level: <i>Small Treated</i> Henry Pasitnak and Ronald Nose hold certifications but not at the correct level.	Henry Pasitnak has the CEUs he needs to renew his certification by 12/31/20. Ronald Nose's Small Treated certification expired on 1/1/2020 but he has the required CEUs and can pay a late renewal fee to renew it. Henry Pasitnak needs to take and pass the WT 2 exam and Ronald Nose and Nelson Lomack need to take and pass the WT 1 exam. Please see the enclosed flier with more information about certification.	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	15	The utility is not performing the required maintenance or isn't keeping records of maintenance.	To receive the full points in this category, the operator must have a Preventative Maintenance plan that they follow and the completed plan must be submitted to your assigned RMW each quarter.	Bob White YKHC RMW 543-6428
		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 2019. Excellent job - keep up the good work!	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.	Leslie Morrison ADEC Drinking Water Program 269-7518
		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	Andromeda Frederick attended QuickBooks training on 10/25/2019.	To maintain the full points in this category, consider sending someone to one of the free RUBA trainings each year.	Fred Broerman DCRA RUBA Program 543-3475
	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	June through November 2019 meeting minutes were submitted, all six sets of minutes included a water operator's report.	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	10	Using the CY2019 budget amended on June 27, 2019 it is impossible to tell if the overall tribal budget it balanced. The amended budget numbers do not match those in the monthly financial report. The water and sewer budget amended budget is balanced.	Provide RUBA with monthly financial reports and meeting minutes that demonstrate the council is reviewing the monthly financial reports with figures from the amended budget.	
		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	Electric payments for water/sewer facilities were made for only five of the eleven months from January through November. Debt owed (debt payments) to electric utility for water/sewer facilities are not included in the water/sewer expenses. Financials provided are not clear.	Work with RUBA staff to clarify monthly financial reports.	
		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	2	Verification of policy that was paid in full from January 11, 2019 through January 11, 2020 via June 13, 2019 call with insurance agent. Break in coverage.	Full points can be awarded after the community demonstrates that a Worker's Compensation Policy has been in place for two full years.	
		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 utility was non compliant for ESC on 12/17/2019 and 1/16/2020. IRS 941 quarterly report not filed for 9/30/2019 which is not included in the installment agreement .	To receive additional points in this category, the tribe must either become current on all outstanding 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	0	SDS O&M Score	9	TOTAL SCORE	55		