

**Best Practices Score
Akiachak
Fall 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>Operator holds no current certification</i> Henry Pasitnak and Ronald Nose hold certifications but not at the correct level. Nelson Lomack holds no certification.	Henry Pasitnak has the required CEUs and needs to renew his certification by 12/31/20. Ronald Nose's Small Treated certification expired on 1/1/2019 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 flyer 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	Exenia Jumbo and others attended Clerks Management for Rural Utilities training on 2/28/2020.	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	Meeting minutes provided for December 2019 through May 2020. Operators reports in minutes for five of the six months.	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	0	An adopted CY20 budget was provided but it was not balanced. Financials were provided for the six months of the period.	Provide RUBA with an adopted, realistic budget. Provide RUBA with monthly financial reports and meeting minutes that demonstrate the council is reviewing the monthly financial reports.	Fred Broerman DCRA RUBA Program 543-3475
		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	Overall tribal budget is not balanced and water utility expenses are surpassing its revenues.	To receive additional points, the utility needs to create a balanced and realistic budget, and provide monthly financial reports in cash basis to RUBA staff to demonstrate sufficient revenue and/or 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	2	Policy verified on 7/15/2020. DOL query did not have workers' compensation insurance prior to January 11, 2019	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	IRS 730 Reports from October 2019 through March 2020 have not been filed. Balance on 3rd Qtr. 2019 941 taxes and December 2019 730 form.	To receive additional points in this category, the utility 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	7	TOTAL SCORE	45		