

Subject: Concerns about stability and adequacy of Water Supply for Granite Mountain Water Company, Prescott, AZ

Dear <snip>,

Since July when many GMW customers were without water and we were assessing and trying to figure out a way forward when our principal production well located at the Granite Mountain Stables went dry we have all been concerned about the future.

We were able to add additional pipe and lower the well pump and then reduce the pumping rate so that we seem to be consistently pumping 38 to 42 gallons per minute from our principal well #4 at the Stables. We are at the bottom of our 500 ft deep well and if it dries up again we will not be able to lower the pump to try and continue pumping water.

As the summer demand has subsided and customers have implemented conservations efforts we are doing much better for the time being.

I am very concerned about the future if we can't add some additional water supply to our portfolio or if customers don't permanently implement substantial conservation measures.

We have just concluded drilling two new wells and neither of them produced significant water. At the well #6 location Short Spur we drilled 1,100 ft with perhaps 1/8 gallon per hour. At the Lot 63 location at Levie Lane and Dewey Road we went down to 880 ft with less water produced than at Short Spur.

We utilized the services of Surveying4Water.com with hopes of substantial water at both locations. We were very disappointed.

Today I surveyed 4 locations with a local well witcher that I just became familiar with his services. I have hope for two locations but we are just in the initial stages of learning what might be permitted there and what the owners of the locations may allow us to do in search of water production.

We are very appreciative of the efforts of many of the customers who have been learning and many very earnestly trying to implement conservation measures. For the time being we seem to be doing very well. But I really hope that we can obtain permits for drilling two new wells that I am very hopeful may provide some needed additional water. The water levels in the aquifers seem to continually be decreasing. We continue to pray for rainfall and aquifer recharge and desire our customers to do the same and to continue to implement and learn conservation measures.

In July when the tanks ran dry there were no water haulers with available capacity to help us. We had the tanks full before we got responses back from the water haulers. I believe that just yesterday I became aware of another water hauler with a little better rates than the ones I had previously identified. But during a crises seems like no one was available.

I am hopeful that we will be able to work together with the two potential sites that were identified today and receive permission from ADWR to drill two additional wells and I hope that many of our customers will join us in prayer that we will get permission to drill and obtain adequate water when we are able to drill.

Please call me with any additional questions you may have.

Thanks for your patience, prayers and support! And if you have additional suggestions that you think may help the situation, please offer them!

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