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Subject: Possible 20,000 gln water tank for Dobbins area

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All,

While talking with CalFire's B/C Skehan, it was mentioned that CalFire Sta. 60 (Dobbins Station) was seeking a 20,000-gallon water tank. This tank would have a dual purpose: to serve as a backup water supply for station 60 if the well ever went dry, and to serve as a water tank to draft from, cutting turnaround time for water tenders in this area of our district. Depending on the exact location of the incident, we currently either fill from the Alcouffe tank or go draft Bullards Bar.

B/C Skehan stated that the approval for the site (Station 60 property) of the tank had already been obtained. The issue was funding; the project was denied due to budget feasibility. I was informed today that the thought of asking for a grant from Yuba Water Agency came about, but they believe that, because they are the state, they would deny the request, further delaying the project.

So you can probably tell where this is going. It was asked if DOHFD would be willing to request a grant from the Yuba Water Agency. This would benefit DOHFD, the surrounding communities, the Yuba Water Agency HQ building, the Colgate facility, and CalFire.

CalFire would donate the land, allow 24/7, 365 access, and maintain the tank. Seems like a win-win situation and further the working relationship between the two departments.

If you have any questions, concerns, or comments, please feel free to reach out to me.

Respectfully,
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