

City of Jackson Water Crisis 2022
Incident Command Brief 2
August 31, 2022

INCIDENT OVERVIEW: The City of Jackson Surface Water System was impacted by recent flooding. Both the O.B. Curtis and J.H. Fewell water treatment plants have reduced water output creating pressure problems in the system. The City lacks sufficient pressures in some areas of the City to sustain adequate access to flush toilets and maintain optimal disinfection for drinking water. Both O.B. Curtis and J.H. Fewell water treatment plants lack sufficient Class A Operators and maintenance staff.

TREATMENT FACILITY STATUS:

- **O.B. Curtis**
 - Conventional Treatment Plant
 - Authorized for **25** million gallons
 - Capacity of **18** million gallons
 - Producing **5** million gallons
 - Membrane Treatment Plant
 - Authorized for **25** million gallons
 - Producing **12** million gallons
- **J.H. Fewell**
 - Authorized for **20** million gallons
 - Potential flex to **30** million gallons
 - Produced **23.5** million gallons (08/31/2022; 14:02:38 CST)

ACTIONS TAKEN:

- **O.B. Curtis**
 - Completed assessment of Membrane Treatment Plant
 - Developed priority list based on initial assessments
 - Completed installation of raw water rental intake pump

- **J.H. Fewell**
 - Completed repair of pump #5

PRIVATE SECTOR UPDATE:

- Anheuser-Bush donated five trailers (110 pallets) of canned water
- Walmart and Save-A-Lot have made commitments, standing by for delivery details
- Multiple volunteer agencies have offered support, standing by for deployment details.

FEDERAL SUPPORT:

- EPA Region IV:
 - Support in expedition of procurement for parts and equipment
 - Lifted restrictions for water distribution sites and supports the States plan for equitable distribution.
- FEMA Region IV:
 - Request for federal emergency measures declaration approved

SCHOOL CLOSINGS/DELAYS:

- Hinds County:
 - Jackson Public Schools: All Virtual

INCIDENT PERSONNEL DEPLOYED TO O.B. CURTIS:

- **MEMA: 7**
- **MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH: 9**
- **CITY OF JACKSON: 2**

LOGISTICS:

- Conducted coordination with Hinds County EOC for seven point of distribution (POD) supersites

- State Staging Area (SSA) to be established at the State Fairgrounds, August 31, 2022
- MS Forestry Commission (MFC) is working up a mission assignment packet to operate the SSA
- Logistics is working stand-by and other contracts for
 - Bottled Water – 108 truckloads ordered
 - Transportation
 - POD site Porta-Johns
 - Garbage Dumpsters
 - Forklifts and Forklift Operator Training Courses
- Logistics and Mississippi National Guard (MSNG) providing signage for the POD sites
- Logistics and MFC conducted a site survey of the Fairgrounds of SSA and POD operations
- Logistics continued to support the Jackson Fire Department (JFD) with bottled water
- Logistics coordinated with State Emergency Operations Center personnel to support various agencies to provide bottled water to citizens lacking transportation to POD sites

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- **THE CITY OF JACKSON REMAINS UNDER A BOIL WATER NOTICE*****