

Emergency Procurement Request - Deer Creek State Park

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Wed, Jul 15, 2026 at 2:11 PM

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Commissioner Ferry and Deputy Commissioner Schwebach,

We have an urgent utility situation at Deer Creek State Park that requires your immediate review and approval for an emergency procurement.

The primary water well pump servicing the Deer Creek State Park Island has suffered a critical failure. This well is the sole source of potable water for both the Deer Creek Island Resort and the Lakehouse facility. We contacted **Mike Zimmerman Well Service, LLC** (a trusted, experienced vendor for the park). They have been briefed and can mobilize immediately to replace the pump and piping for a total cost of **\$12,688.30**.

I have attached the Emergency Procurement Justification Memo and the vendor's quote for your review. To prevent a shutdown of these facilities before the weekend, we need approval from Commissioner Ferry (or Deputy Commissioner Schwebach as his designee) to move forward.

If you are comfortable with this request, please reply to this email with your formal approval, so we can immediately dispatch the vendor.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.

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Shelby Stock

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2 attachments

 **Emergency Procurement Deer Creek Well Repairs.docx**

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 **Mike Zimmerman Well Service, LLC 7.15.26.pdf**

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Nathan Schwebach <nathanschwebach@utah.gov>

Wed, Jul 15, 2026 at 2:22 PM

To: Shelby Stock <sstock@utah.gov>

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Shelby,

Thank you for bringing this situation to our attention. Due to the urgent nature of this request, please consider this response as approval to immediately move forward with the necessary repair.

Regards,

Nathan

Nathan Schwebach

Deputy Commissioner

801-440-9094 | nathanschwebach@utah.gov**Department of
Natural Resources**

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July 15, 2026

Deer Creek State Park
RE:

Via e-mail: Edwingibbs@utah.gov

Phone: 801-404-9407

Dear Edwin;

Mike Zimmerman Well Service, LC, appreciates the opportunity to quote our services on your project. Established below is our 'Price Proposal' for the work in question.

DESCRIPTION	UNIT	QUANTITY ESTIMATE	UNIT \$	EXTENDED \$
1. 5 HP 60 GPM Pump End & 5 HP 230V 1 PH Motor	EA	1	\$6472.00	\$6,472.00
2. #8 Submersible Wire	LF	230	\$5.43	\$1,248.90
3. 2" Deep Set PVC Pipe	LF	220	\$11.77	\$2,589.40
4. 1 ½" Deep Set PVC Pipe	LF	10	\$7.80	\$ 78.00
5. Misc. Well Supplies & Fittings (If Needed)	EA	1	\$300.00	\$ 300.00
6. Labor	HR	8	\$250.00	\$2,000.00
			TOTAL:	\$12,688.30

**** Due to market uncertainty, steel prices are subject to change ****

Actual quantities may vary. Quotation valid for ten (10) days from date written. 50% of estimated drilling cost is required prior to drilling well, balance due upon completion. Price does not include permits, site preparation, trenching or cleaning of landscape.

A 3% service charge will be applied for payment with a credit card.

Water softeners, filters, and water treatment systems available.

Mike Zimmerman Well Service, LLC / MO 801-250-1400

MEMO

Deer Creek State Park – Request for Emergency Procurement

July 15, 2026

Describe the specific emergency that necessitated the emergency procurement

The primary culinary water well pump servicing the Deer Creek State Park Island has suffered a critical mechanical failure and can no longer maintain the pressure required to meet water demand.

- The infrastructure is approximately 20 years old (installed in 2007). Initial diagnostics indicate a breach/hole in the line alongside severe hard water scaling.
- Edwin Gibbs, the Buildings and Grounds Supervisor at Deer Creek, has implemented a temporary, short-term repair to keep the system minimally operational. However, this "band-aid" fix is highly unstable and is **not expected to last through the upcoming weekend**.
- This well is the sole source of potable water for both the Deer Creek Island Resort and the Lakehouse facility. A complete system failure will cause an immediate water outage, forcing the total closure of these public facilities and resort operations.
- This situation constitutes an emergency under **Utah Code § 63G-6a-803** and **Utah Admin. Code R33-108-401**, as immediate procurement is required to avoid a lapse in a critical government service and mitigate an imminent threat to public health, safety, welfare, and state property.

Document the basis for the selection of the procurement item (which vendors contacted, what was the result)

Due to the rapid degradation of the temporary fix and the severe timeline constraints, standard competitive bidding was not feasible. The following actions were taken to secure a qualified vendor:

- Because this well involves federal oversight, park management made multiple attempts to contact the Bureau of Reclamation on July 14 and July 15, 2026, to request their specialized well crews for the repair. The BOR has not returned these urgent communications.
- With the BOR unavailable and a system collapse imminent before the weekend, park maintenance contacted Mike Zimmerman Well Service, LLC. This vendor has a proven history of successful, reliable well repairs with the Division of State Parks and possesses the specific technical capability required for the park's setup.

- Mike Zimmerman Well Service has been briefed of the issue and provided a single quote of **\$12,688.30** to replace the failed pump and the compromised piping. Given the immediate mobilization required, the niche nature of the work, and the threat of operational failure, this price is deemed fair, reasonable, and the most efficient means to resolve the emergency.

Identify the name of the highest-ranking government official that approved the emergency procurement

DNR Commissioner Joel Ferry, or his designee, Deputy Commissioner Nathan Schwebach

Provide the written contract related to the emergency procurement (this can be an invoice/quote or a service agreement, if any)

Please see the attached formal quote from **Mike Zimmerman Well Service** dated July 15, 2026.