

John Smith
416 N. Franklin
Dept. of Public Works
Fort Bragg, Ca

January 25, 2025

Dear Mr. Smith,

We have lived at 31250 Cedar St. for the past 13 years, immediately west of the new water tank and the on-going work there. Our house is 70 plus years old, as is the septic tank and leach field. Last December, during the period of the heavy rains, we had a temporary system failure. Brandon Nailor did all he could, and we limped along thru the wet weather. However, Mr. Nailor said the leach field was failing, and maybe another winter would be it's last.

We have City water and the sewer line is in front of our house. Our neighbor, Paul Clark, suggested I write you to begin the process of requesting a hookup to the sewer. We hope to do this before next winter and at least get the necessary permit. Any information you can provide and who we can talk to next would be very helpful as we hope to keep this process moving along.

Thank you very much for any help you can provide.

Sincerely,
Albert and Sondra Weaver



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Finance Department



CITY OF FORT BRAGG
FORT BRAGG WATER WORKS

416 N FRANKLIN STREET
FORT BRAGG, CA 95437

PHONE: (707) 961-2825 FAX: (707) 961-2913 E-Mail: water@fortbragg.com

REQUEST FOR WATER/SEWER SERVICES

SERVICE ADDRESS: 31250 CEDAR ST CONNECTION DATE:

Please select one of the following:

RENTER/TENANT PROPERTY OWNER PROPERTY MANAGEMENT

NAME: Albert S. Weaver

BUSINESS NAME: (IF APPLICABLE)

MAILING ADDRESS: 31250 Cedar St

CITY/STATE/ZIP: Fort Bragg 95437

TELEPHONE:

DRIVERS LICENSE: DATE OF BIRTH:

EMAIL ADDRESS:

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CUSTOMER #

DEPOSIT AMT.

CASH CHECK #

CREDIT CARD

RECEIPT #

TRANSFER DEPOSIT FROM CUSTOMER NUMBER:

TO CUSTOMER NUMBER:

Verifications

Lease/Rental Agreement: (initial)

Ownership: (initial)

Identification: (initial)

Property Mgmt Agmt: (initial)

REQUIRED TO ESTABLISH SERVICE:

Tenants must provide a lease/rental agreement, photo ID and pay \$ 50 deposit.

Owner occupied properties must provide proof of ownership (Grant Deed) and photo ID.

Property Management companies must provide a property management agreement.

A deposit of \$150.00 is required for all non owner occupied single family residences at the time of connection. Fort Bragg Municipal Code section 14.04.155A states in part that: "the amount of the cash deposit to establish credit for water service shall be no more than twice the amount of the estimated average periodic bill and the deposit for commercial accounts shall be at the discretion of the director of finance". All deposits are refunded upon termination of water service by the consumer. Deposit balances will only be refunded to the account holder.

Customer agrees to pay all utility charges in a timely manner. Charges for service are due and payable upon receipt and become delinquent after 20 days. Bills are past due if left unpaid at the close of business on the date printed on the front of the invoice. Unpaid accounts are subject to a 5% penalty and will be mailed a delinquent notice.

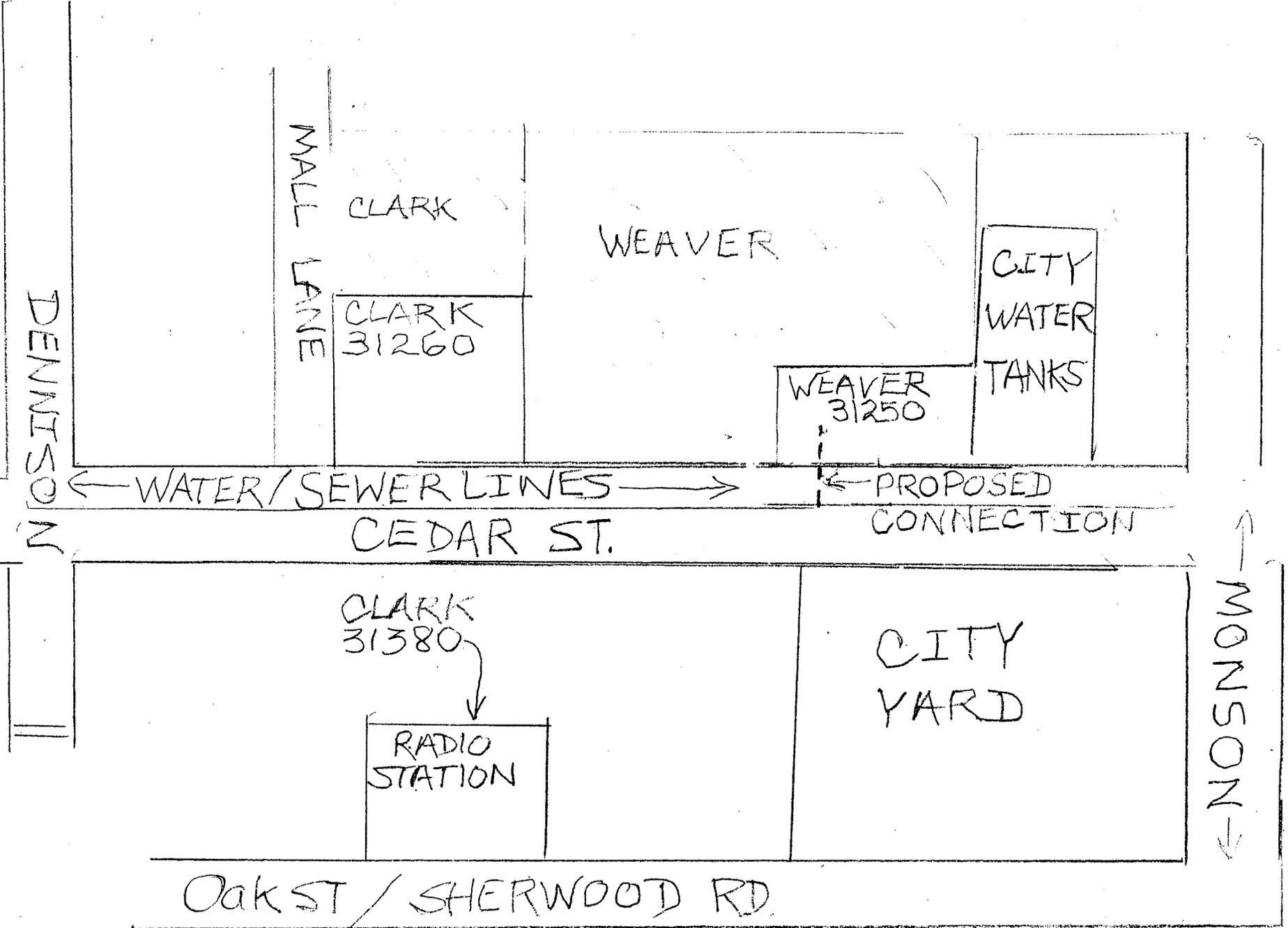
In the event of non-payment, utility service will be terminated. Customer will be required to pay a reconnection charge of \$60.00 in addition to the full account balance before service is restored.

The City of Fort Bragg offers ACH direct debit payments from your checking or savings account. All ACH authorized payments will be debited on the twenty-fifth (25th) of every month. If you are interested please request an authorization form.

The City of Fort Bragg offers online bill pay, if interested please visit city.fortbragg.com and click on the Bill Pay button to get started.

Signature [Redacted]

Date 5/18/25



DENNISON

MALL LANE

CLARK

CLARK
31260

WEAVER

WEAVER
31250

CITY
WATER
TANKS

← WATER/SEWER LINES →

← PROPOSED
CONNECTION

CEDAR ST.

CLARK
31380

RADIO
STATION

CITY
YARD

← MONSON →

OAK ST / SHERWOOD RD.

CARL RITTIMAN & ASSOCIATES, INC.
Certified Professional Soil Scientist
PO Box 590 • Mendocino CA 95460

Al and Sandy Weaver


Date: May 15th, 2025

Re: on-site sewage disposal system evaluation at 31250 Cedar Street

Al and Sandy,

As requested, we visited your above referenced site on 5/5/25 to conduct an evaluation of the existing on-site sewage disposal system.

Due to the vintage of the development of the site (considered to be pre-code in Mendocino County), there are no records relating to the on-site sewage disposal system at the County Environmental Health Department office.

It was found that the system consists of a 1,200 gallon concrete septic tank and two leachlines, each approximately 60 feet in length. The top of the leachlines were noted to be 28 inches below grade, which places the bottom of the trench approximately 43 inches below the surface.

The septic tank was uncovered and the liquid level was noted to be at the inside top of the tank, approximately nine inches higher than the normal operating level (which is the outlet pipe flow line). This indicates that the leachfield is not accepting water as intended. We next evaluated the condition of each of the leachlines. This was done by augering down into the top of each of the leachlines (down to the gravel at the top of the trenches), at several points along each trench. The augered observations served to allow for two main observations to occur. First, was the gravel/trench full of effluent at the observation point? If saturation was noted, then it can be assumed that effluent has the ability to travel to that point of the leachline (no blockage was present in the pipe from the tank to the leachline(s) which caused the high water level in the tank). Secondly, what was the visual condition of the gravel in the leachlines? After prolonged effluent saturation a leachlines turns anaerobic, with the gravel in the trench becoming black and covered with sludge.

Our evaluation of the leachfield found that the trenches are full of effluent throughout their length (to the top of the gravel in the trenches, which is 5" above the leachpipe). It was also noted that the condition of the gravel was poor (black and sludgy). Our observations indicate that the leachfield is no longer operating as intended. Effluent is not leaching downward into the soil, but instead has risen above the leachlines and to the top of the septic tank, which has lead to plumbing back-ups.

In order to conduct a brief evaluation of the soil conditions in area available for a potential replacement leachfield, we conducted an augered soil profile. Mottled, cemented hardpan soils were encountered at a depth of 13 inches. Both soil mottling and hardpan are indication of an elevated winter watertable.

Phone 707-937-0804 • e-mail andy.carlrittiman@gmail.com

It is our conclusion that the existing leachfield is in a failed state and that the soil conditions onsite are not ideal for a replacement on-site sewage disposal system. The wastewater treatment needs of the site and the protection of the winter groundwater would be best served by the connection to the City sewer.

If you have any questions regarding our evaluation, please feel free to reach out. Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Andrew Kawczak". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "A" and "K".

Andrew Kawczak
Associate

Nailor's Plumbing Service

16551 Canyon Dr.
Fort Bragg, CA 95437

Invoice

Date	Invoice #
12/2/2024	2581



Bill To
Al Weaver 31250 Cedar St. Fort Bragg, CA 95437

P.O. No.	Terms	Project
	Due on receipt	

Quantity	Description	U/M	Rate	Amount
	<p>First visit.</p> <p>On November 25th of 2024 inspected the area of the leach field system and found it to be experiencing a high water table issue due to the heavy amount of rain that we experienced in the evening. Located a concrete D box and advise the customer to have the leach field system serviced when we are not experiencing so much rain.</p> <p>Second visit December 2nd of 2024. The leach field servicing had approximately seven days of no rain so the ground could dry out. Serviced the leach field system with the assistance of A-1 septic provided vacuum. Deployed the Jetter down the one 3 inch PVC line approximately 40 to 50 feet. The other two 4 inch PVC lines exiting the D box were draining out to two pits on each side of the box. These pits are no more than 2 feet away from the D box. Unfortunately during this time the leach field system is still under state of failure.</p> <p>Deployed the sewer camera up the underground sewer main through a two way 4 inch cleanout to inspect the cast-iron sewer main under the residence due to reports of the customer experiencing toilet blockage issues. Found the cast-iron 4 inch sewer main to be in good condition. Inspected the toilet and found that the fill valve was not providing adequate amount of water in the overflow tube due to mis-installation. Furthermore it was discovered that there was a heavy mineral buildup in the main flush port at the bottom of the toilet bowl that was also affecting the performance of this toilet. Cleaned out the main flush port and found the toilet to be flushing normally.</p> <p>Recommendations.</p> <p>I do advise the customer to contact Carl Ritterman and</p>			

CREDIT CARD PAYMENTS ARE SUBJECT TO A 3.5% SURCHARGE.
THANK YOU FOR YOUR BUSINESS!

Total

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	Associates at 7079370804 to discuss repairs or replacement of the septic system. Also advise the customer to purchase some CLR solution and dump it down the overflow tube located inside the tank of the toilet so the mineral deposits can be broken down in the casting of the ball the toilet. SALES TAX		7.875%	0.00

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Total

\$0.00

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APPEAL OF ADMINISTRATIVE DECISION

APPELLANT(S): Albert and Sondra Weaver

MAILING ADDRESS: 31250 Cedar St

CITY: Fort Bragg **STATE & ZIP CODE:** Ca 95437



**Describe the action being appealed and state the reasons for the appeal.
(You may attach a letter or other exhibits to describe or justify this appeal.)**

We applied for a connection to establish services on May 19, for connection to city sewer. It was denied as the City does not have authority to authorize out of city requests. We provided documents that verified our failing septic system, and documentation describing the continuing failed condition at present. The system operates adequately in the summer months but will likely fail again during the heavy winter rains as we have had the past few years. During those months we had to pump the tank, use very little water- few showers, avoid use of clothes washer and try to get by with as little water use as possible.

We hope to avoid a repeat of this situation this winter and complete the sewer connection, which runs in front of our property on Cedar Street. We are already connected with city water.

APPELLANT(S) SIGNATURE: _____



DATE: 8/15/25

DATE: 8/14/25

FOR CITY USE ONLY:

Fee Paid (_____) \$415.00

Receipt # _____

Date: _____

Notice of Public Hearing:

Mailed (_____) Date: _____

Published (_____) Date: _____

Posted (_____) Date: _____

CITY COUNCIL ACTION:

Approve: _____

Deny: _____

Table: _____ Until _____

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On Agenda
25th