

**BEFORE THE WASHINGTON
UTILITIES & TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION,

Complainant,

v.

AVISTA CORPORATION D/B/A/ AVISTA UTILITIES

Respondent.

DOCKETS UE-220053, UG-220054, and UE-210854 (Consolidated)

**AARON TAM
ON BEHALF OF THE
WASHINGTON STATE OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL
PUBLIC COUNSEL UNIT**

EXHIBIT AT-29

Avista's Response to Public Counsel Data Request No. 313

July 29, 2022

AVISTA CORP.
RESPONSE TO REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

JURISDICTION:	WASHINGTON	DATE PREPARED:	07/11/2022
CASE NO.:	220053/54/210854	WITNESS:	David Howell
REQUESTER:	Public Counsel	RESPONDER:	David James
TYPE:	Data Request	DEPT:	Wildfire Resiliency
REQUEST NO.:	PC – 313	TELEPHONE:	(509) 495-4185
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SUBJECT: Wildfire Plan

RE: Wildfire Plan, Avista's Response to Public Counsel Data Request No. 305, Attachment A.

REQUEST:

Avista's 2020 Wildfire Resiliency Plan budgeted \$25,000 for 2020 fire ignition tracking system expenditures, and the Company spent \$2,510. Avista's 2020 Wildfire Resiliency Plan also budgeted \$175,000 over a 10-year time period towards fire ignition tracking, but Avista's 2022 Wildfire Resiliency Plan removed any further planned expenditures in fire ignition tracking. Please explain what 2020 fire ignition tracking planned expenditures were removed in 2022 and why.

RESPONSE:

Fire ignition tracking was removed from the Wildfire-specific capital project list because revisions to this process will be captured in the scoping and requirements processes associated with the planned replacement of the current Outage Management System. Also, Avista technical services is promoting a project to develop a digital damage assessment application to capture fire damage related information. In short, the capture of fire ignition tracking is part of a larger enterprise effort to capture both electric incident causation (current state) and incident outcomes and impact (future state). Wildfire Resiliency is a stakeholder in that process in addition to many other interests to support the field capture incident information.