

EPA Tools for Small Public System Water Operators: Electronic Preventive Maintenance Logs

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The Environmental Finance Center Network (EFCN) is a university-based organization creating innovative solutions to the difficult how-to-pay issues of environmental protection and improvement. The EFCN works with the public and private sectors to promote sustainable environmental solutions while bolstering efforts to manage costs.

The Smart Management for Small Water Systems Program

This program is offered free of charge to all who are interested. The Program Team will conduct activities in every state, territory, and the Navajo Nation. All small drinking water systems are eligible to receive free training and technical assistance.

What We Offer

Individualized technical assistance, workshops, small group support, webinars, eLearning, online tools & resources, blogs

The Small Systems Program Team

- Environmental Finance Center at The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
- Southwest Environmental Finance Center at the University of New Mexico
- Syracuse University Environmental Finance Center
- Environmental Finance Center at Wichita State University
- EFC West
- Environmental Finance Center at the University of Maryland
- New England Environmental Finance Center at the University of Southern Maine
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Areas of Expertise



Asset Management



Rate Setting and Fiscal Planning



Communication and Decision-Making Strategies



Water Loss Control



Controlling Energy Costs



Accessing Infrastructure Financing Programs



Workforce Development



Water Conservation Finance and Management



Collaborating with Other Water Systems



Resiliency Planning



Managing Drought

Small Systems Blog

Learn more about water finance and management through our Small Systems Blog! Blog posts feature lessons learned from our training and technical assistance, descriptions of available tools, and small systems "success stories."

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Blog



Magdalena, New Mexico: A Success Story from the Smart Management for Small Water Systems Project

Written by: Allison Perch Allison Perch is a Program Coordinator with the Environmental Finance Center at the University of North Carolina. What can a small town do when the financial health of its water system is at risk? This is the question that Stephanie Finch, the town clerk and treasurer for the ...



The Virtuous Cycle: Internal Energy Revolving Funds for Small Water Systems

Written by: David Tucker David Tucker is a Project Director with the Environmental Finance Center at the University of North Carolina. How can small (and large) water systems pay for energy efficiency and renewable energy, helping cut utility costs? As energy is often the largest variable expense in a water system's operating...



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Poll Questions



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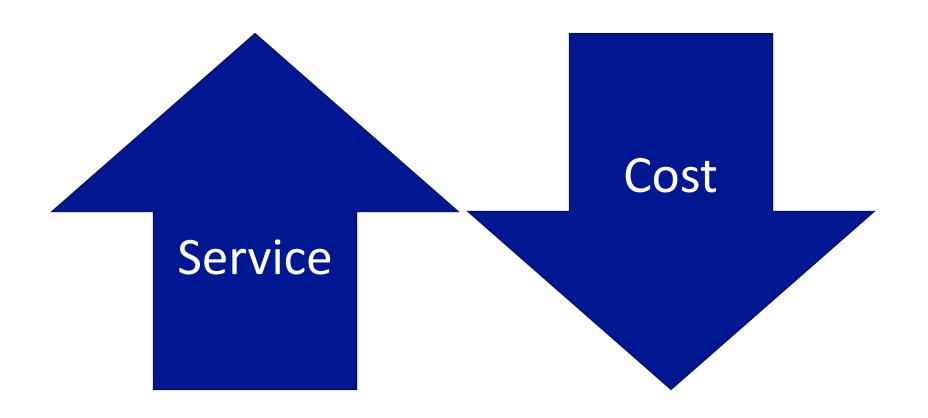
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Competing Priorities

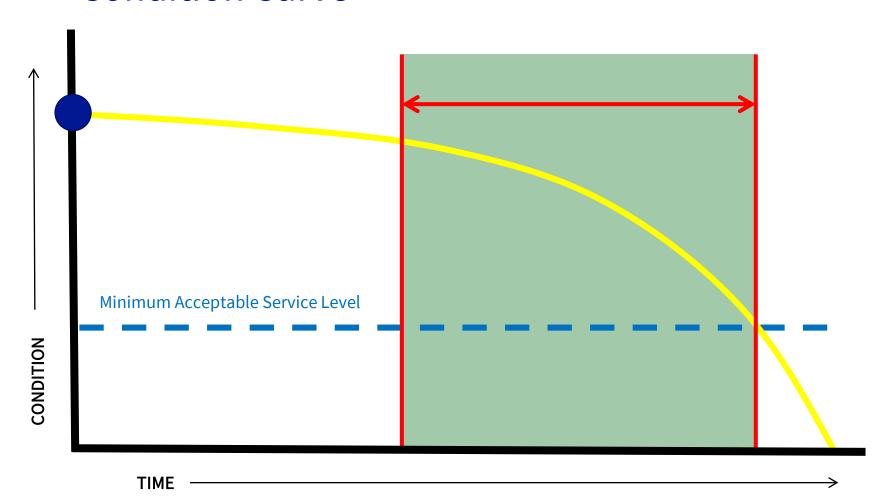
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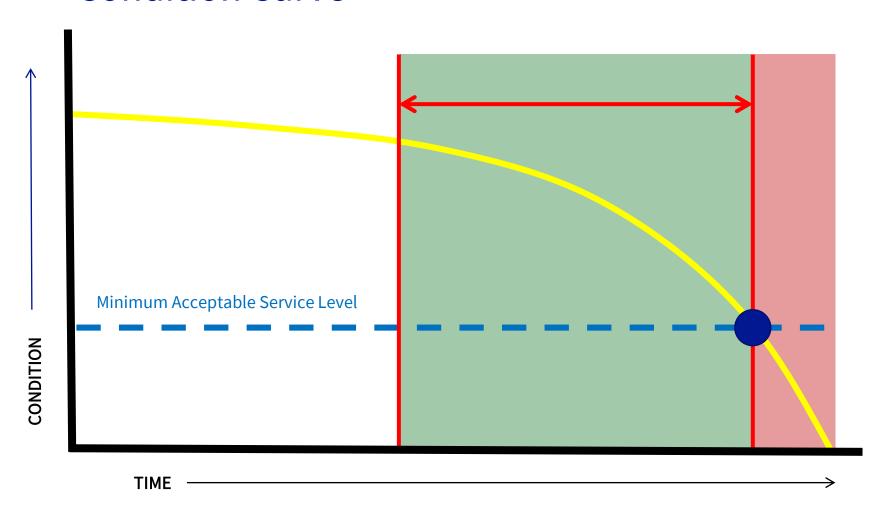


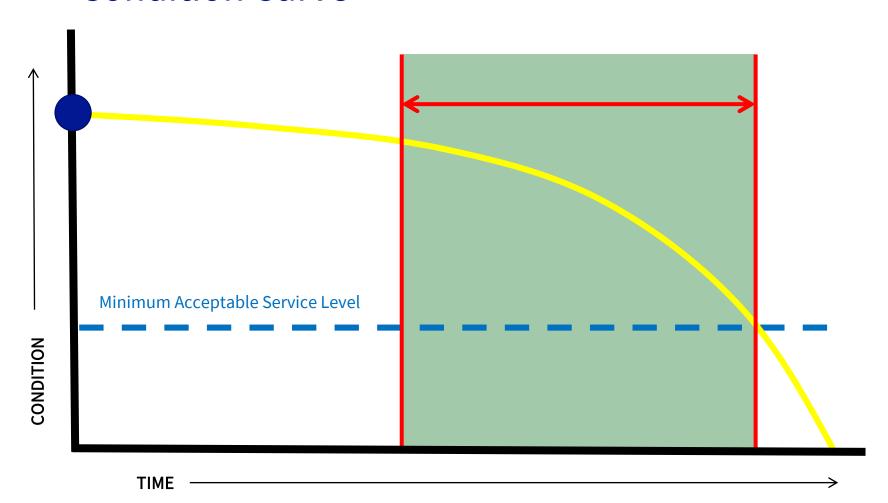
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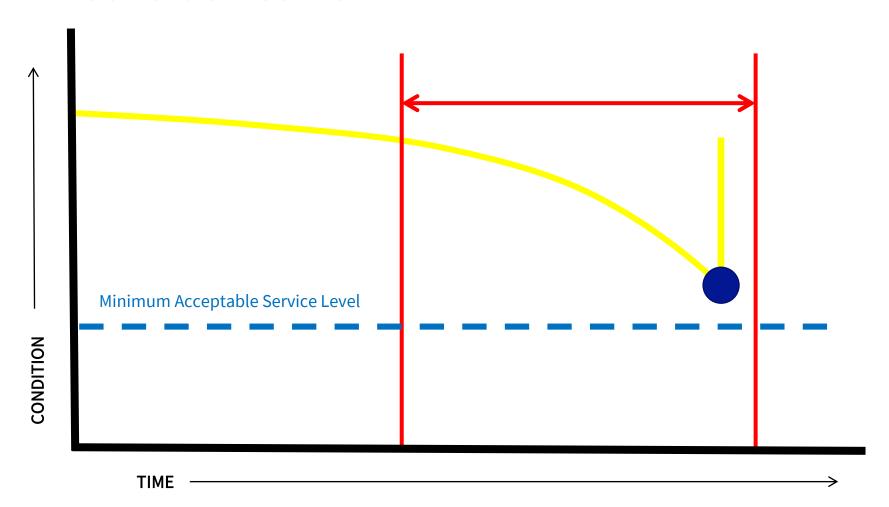
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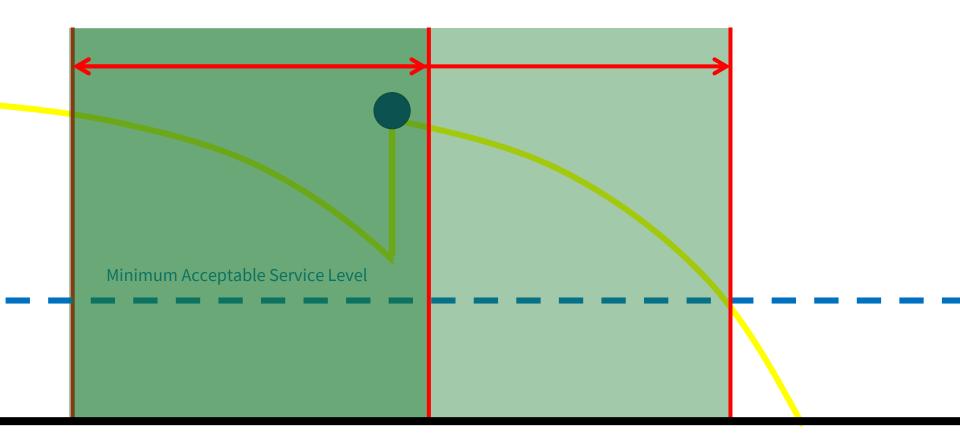












TIME

Not all assets are maintained equally...



Modes **0&M** Proactive Reactive

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Proactive

Fixing it when it breaks

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Modes

Keeping it from breaking

Fixing it when it breaks

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Routine

- + Preventive
- + Predictive
- = Savings

Preventive Maintenance:

Periodic component replacement in the form of preventive maintenance saves an estimated 12 to 18 percent over reactive maintenance.

(And yet, when there's a budget crunch, this is often the first thing that gets cut...)

Active Management:

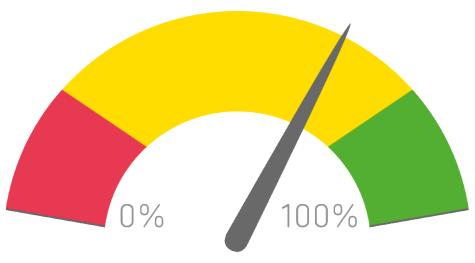
"The solution for exploiting acknowledged potential for efficiency is active management."

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Motor O&M Expense Reduction:



Benchmarks and KPIs will help ...



Identify them

Monitor them

Analyze your data





But you need...



If you don't manage your assets, they will manage you.

Working overtime to repair broken equipment is (in a way) rewarding failure.

Benefits of PM are well established but...



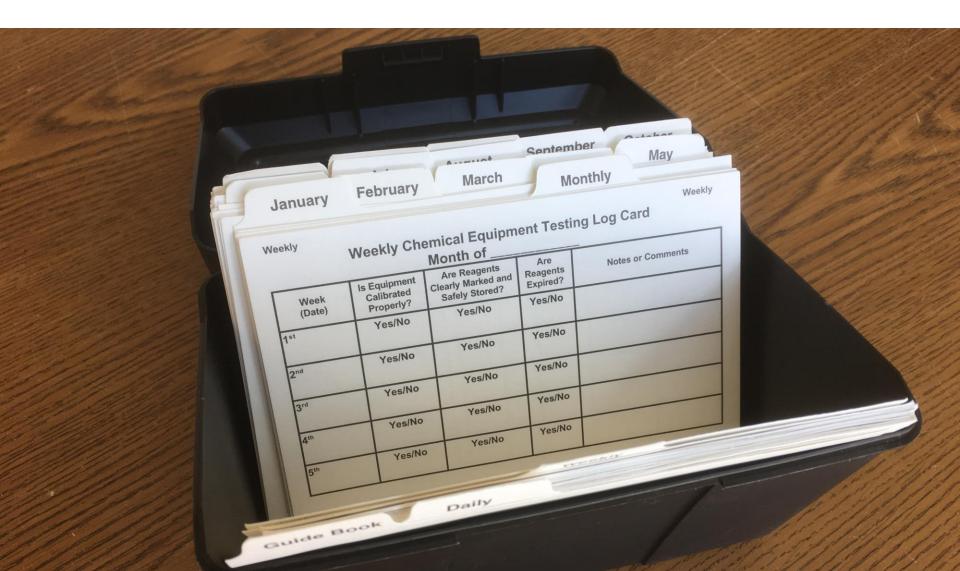
This begs the questions...



What should I do?

When should I do it?

"Black Box Card File"



New EPA Electronic PM tool:

United States
Environmental Protection Agency

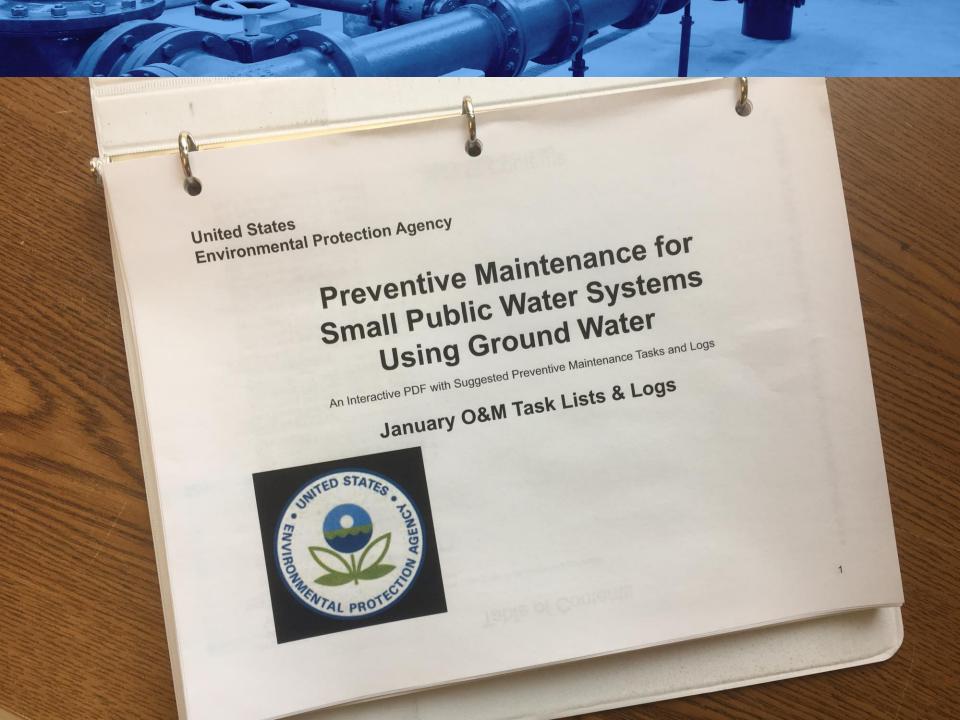
Preventive Maintenance for Small Public Water Systems Using Ground Water

An Interactive PDF with Suggested Preventive Maintenance Tasks and Logs

Introduction, System Information, Reference, and Contacts



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System characteristics

- Designed to help small systems
 - Plan and record O&M activities
 - Create a permanent print or digital record of those activities
- Intended for ground water systems with up to:
 - 6 wells & well pumps
 - 4 storage tanks and/or pressure tanks
 - 4 chemical feed pumps
 - 4 booster pumps
- Could be used by surface water systems as part of O&M program.

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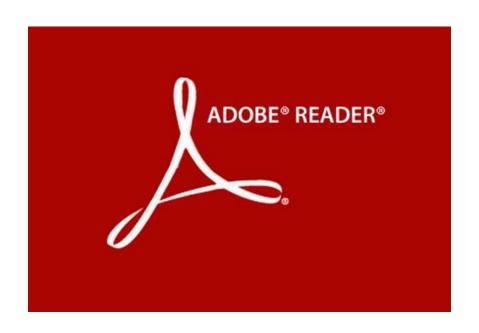
- A set of interactive PDFs:
 - Lists typical recommended daily, weekly, monthly, quarterly, biannual and annual preventive O&M tasks
 - Permits ongoing data entry to create a complete O&M record
 - check boxes,
 - value boxes,
 - room for notes and additions
 - Includes a conversion calculator and does many calculations
 - Has hyperlinked table of contents and makes use of the Adobe Acrobat Bookmark tool for easy navigation (demo to follow)

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- Contact us and we can walk you through some options, or
- Potentially assist with a customized solution

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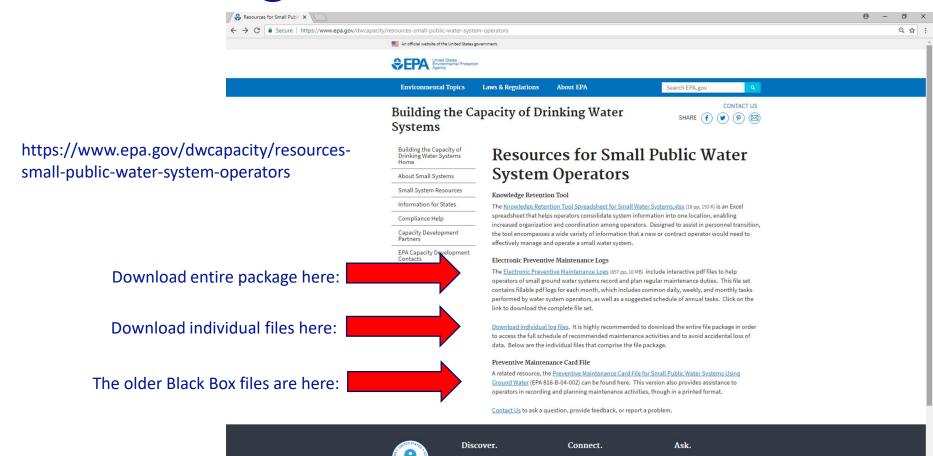


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Environmental Topics

Individual files:

https://www.epa.gov/dwcapacity/electronicpreventive-maintenance-logs

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Electronic Preventive Maintenance Logs

It is highly recommended to download the entire file package in order to access the full schedule of recommended maintenance activities and to avoid accidental loss of data. Below are the individual files that comprise the file package.

You may need a PDF reader to view some of the files on this page. See EPA's About PDF page to

- Introduction (PDF) (16 pp, 250 K)
- Guidebook (PDF) (26 pp, 520 K)
- . Operation and Maintenance Customer Complaints (PDF) (23 pp, 1 MB)
- Operation and Maintenance Ongoing Logs (PDF) (48 pp, 3 MB)
- January Tasks and Logs (PDF) (64 pp, 3 MB)
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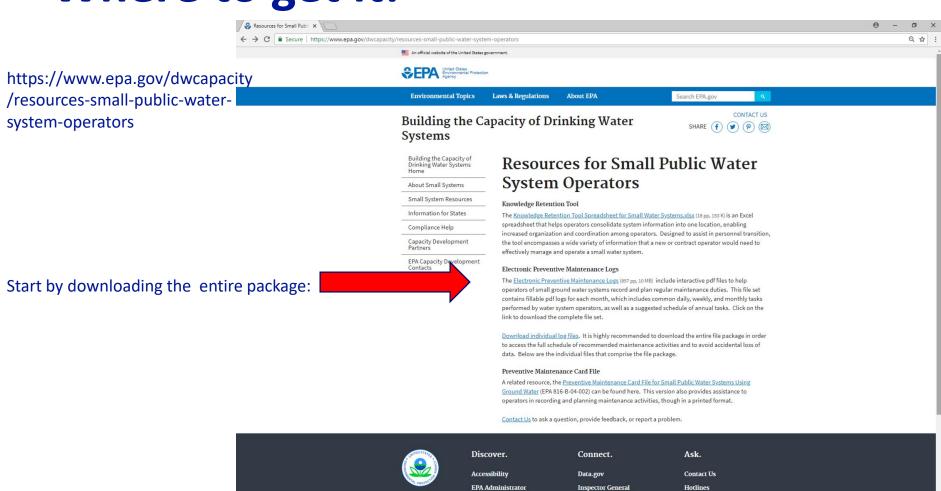
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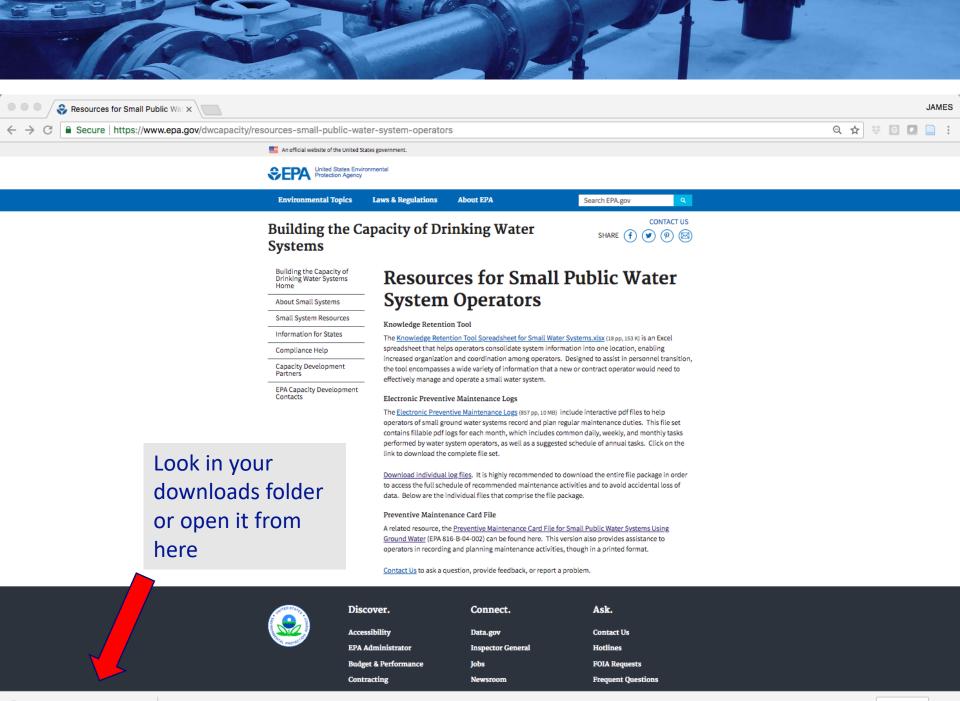
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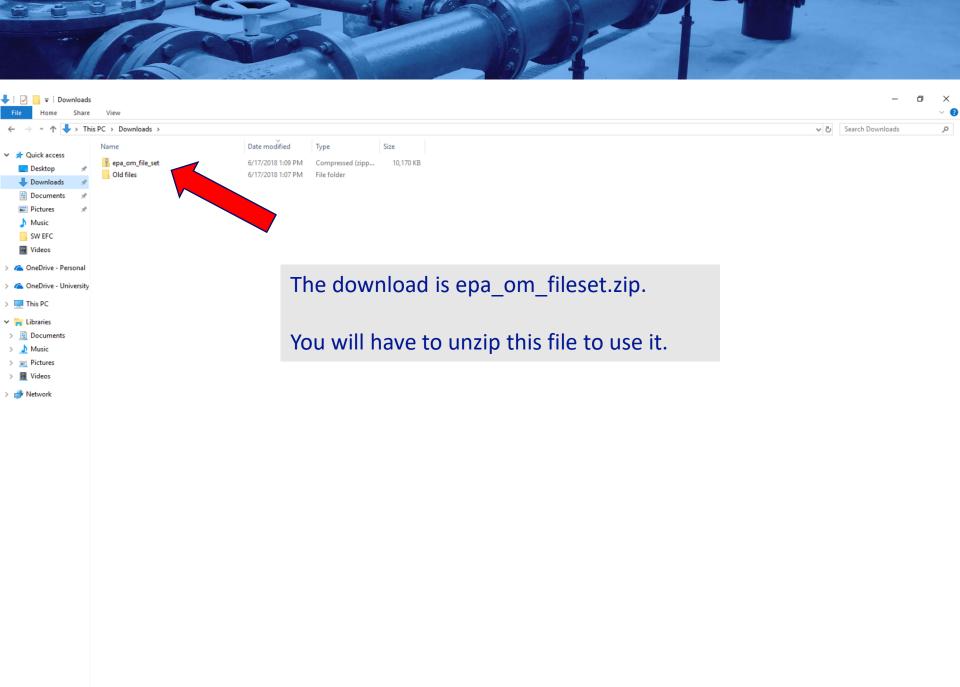
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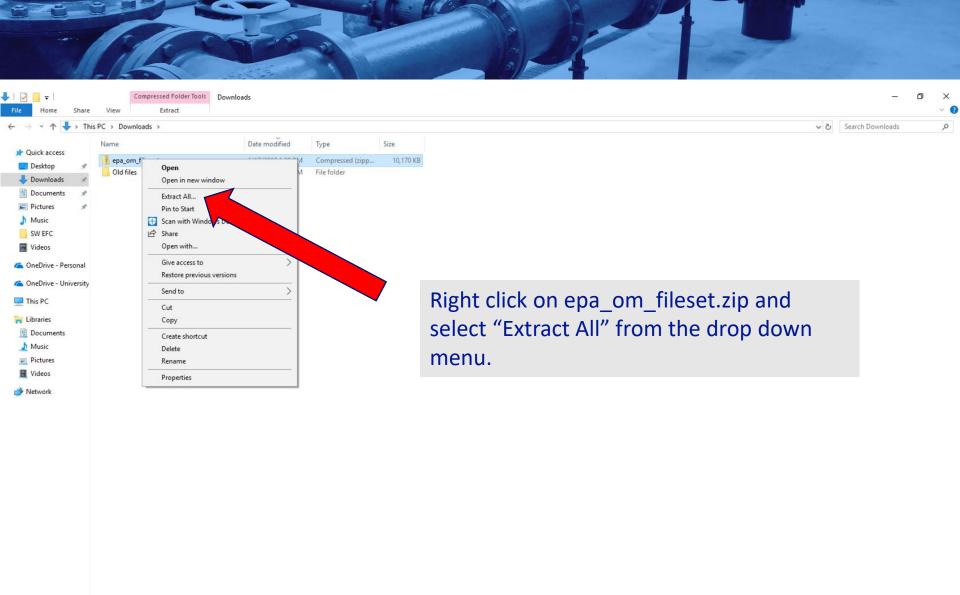


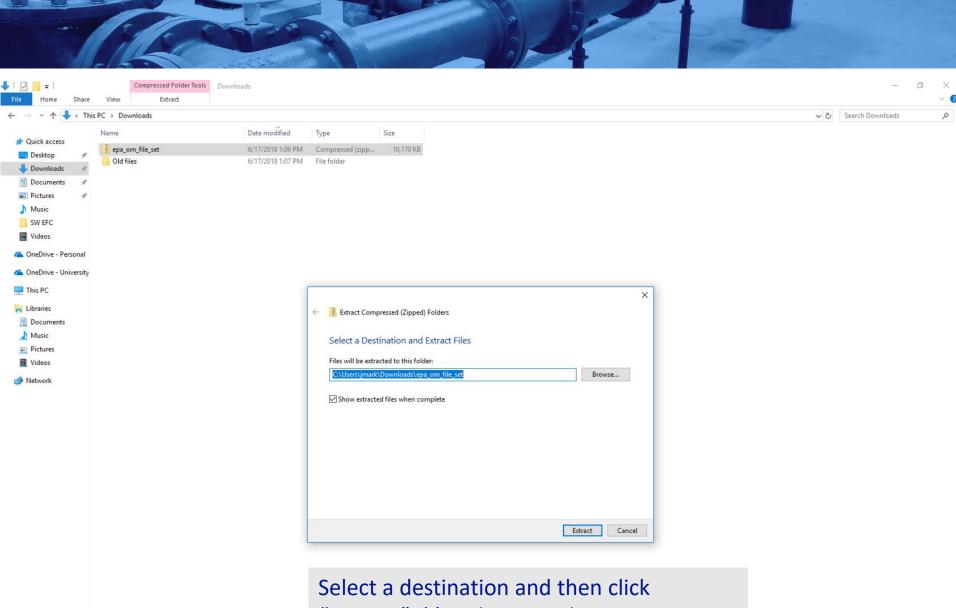
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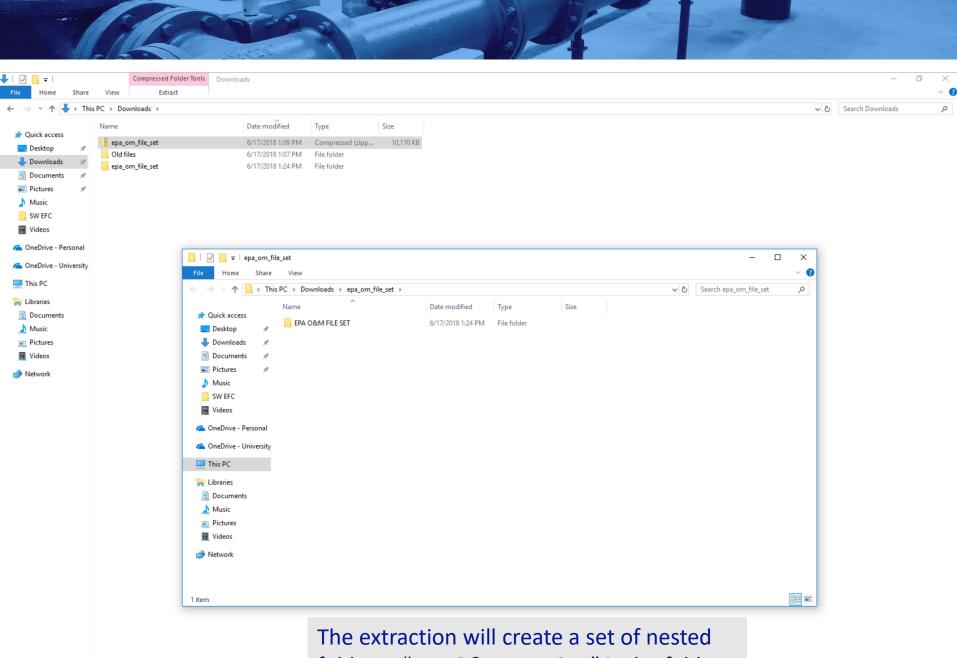




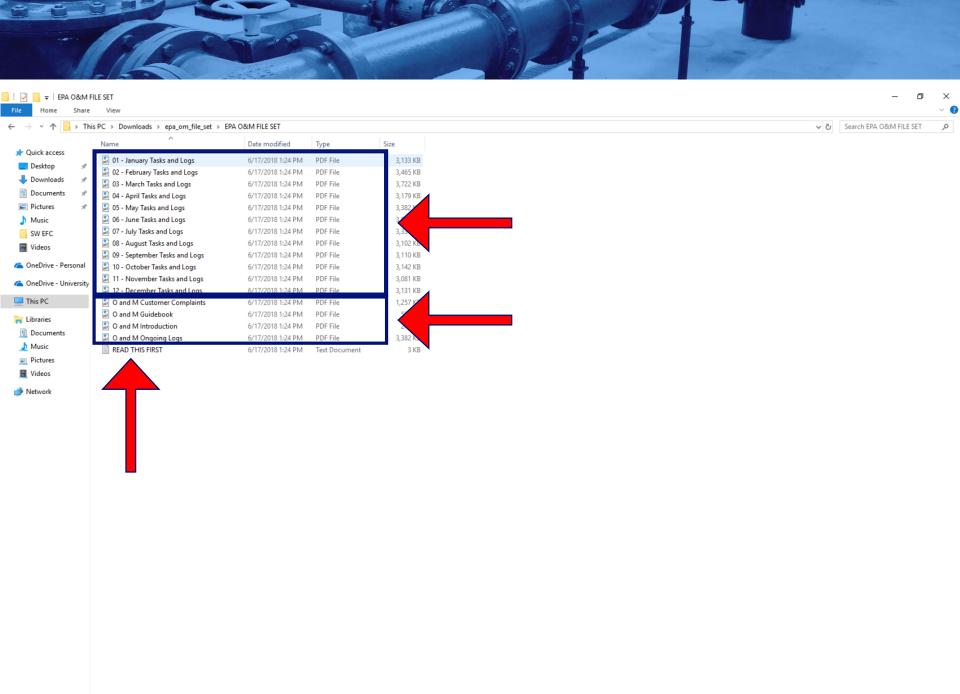


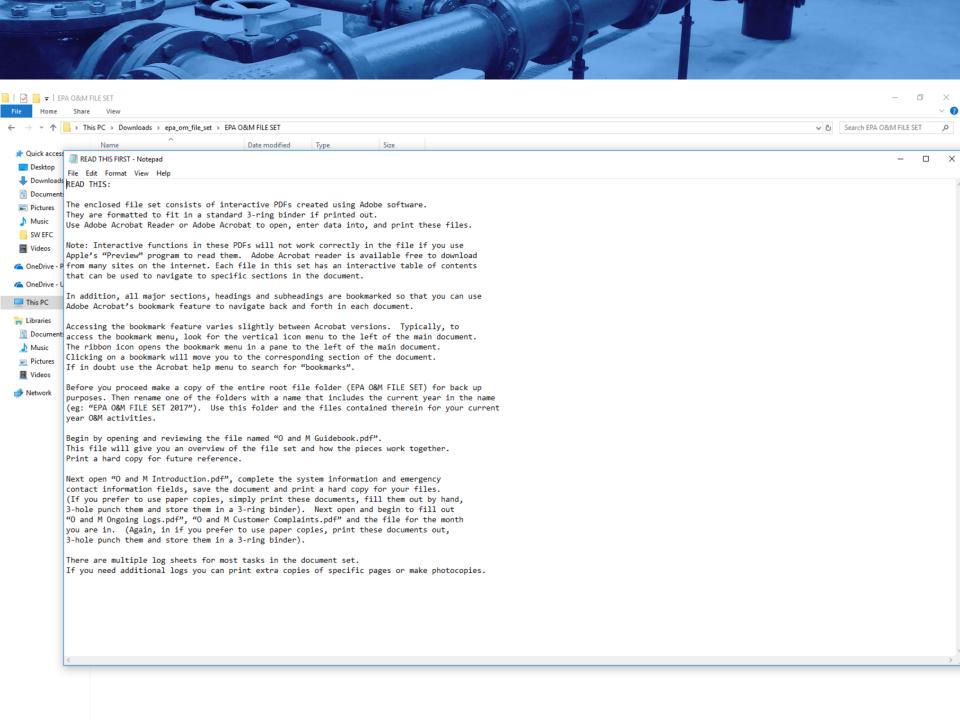


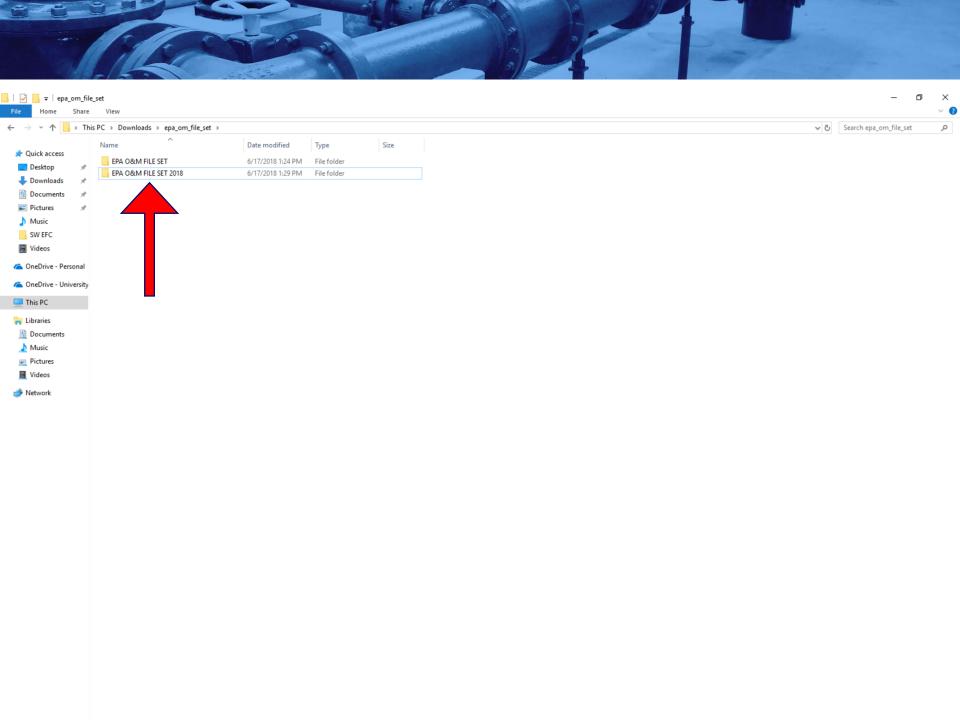
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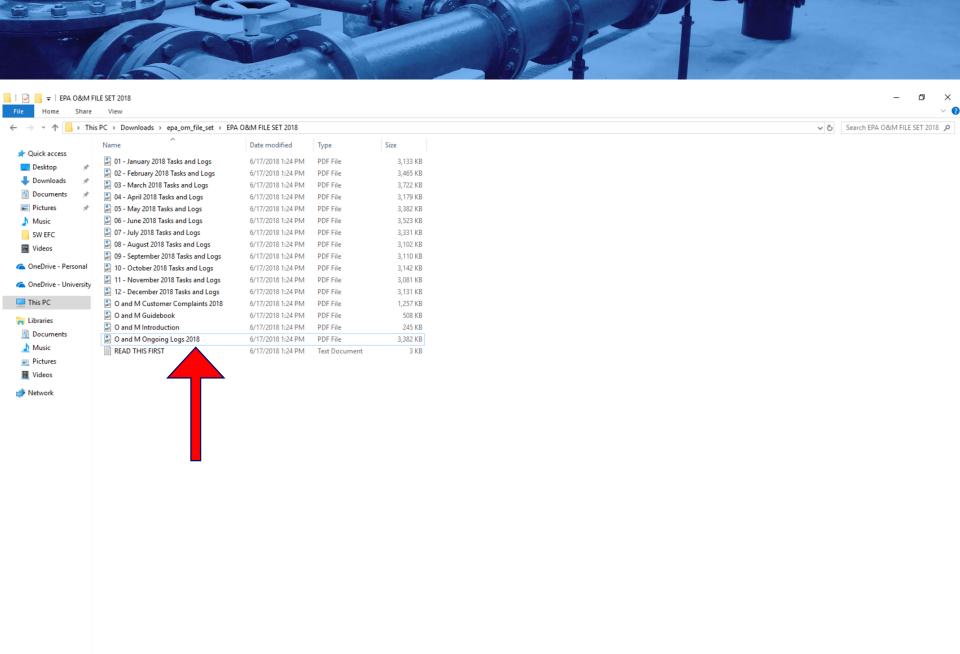


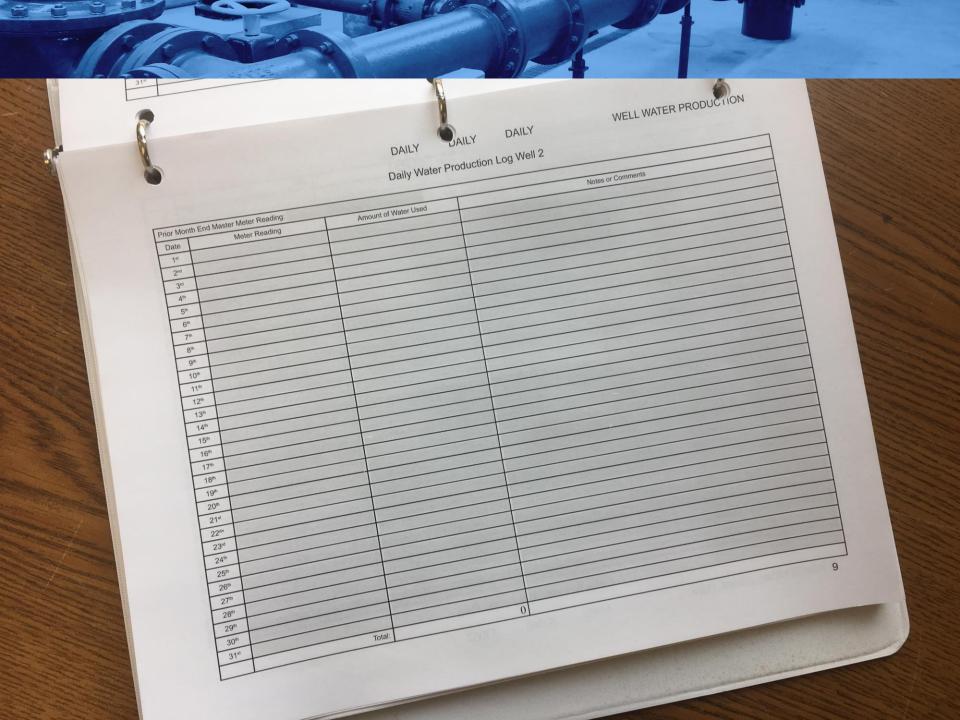
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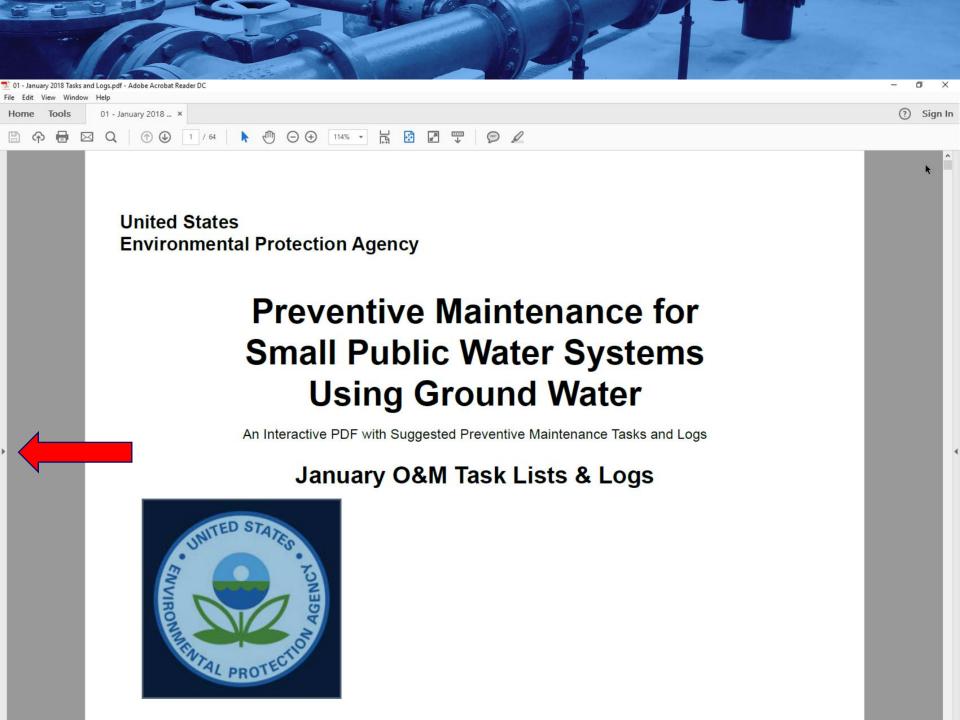


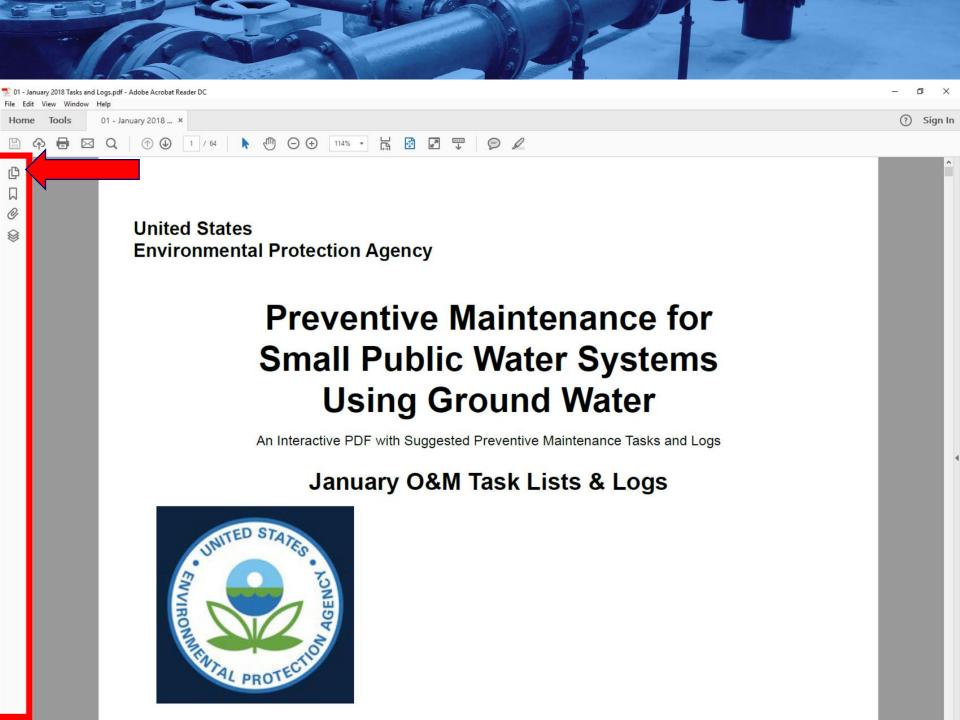


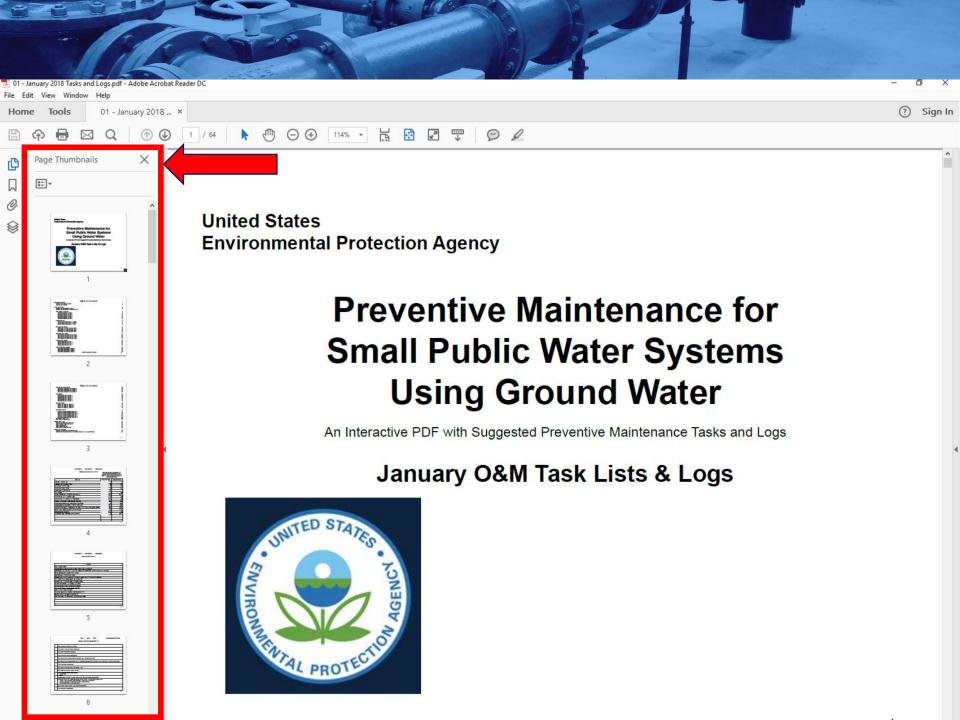


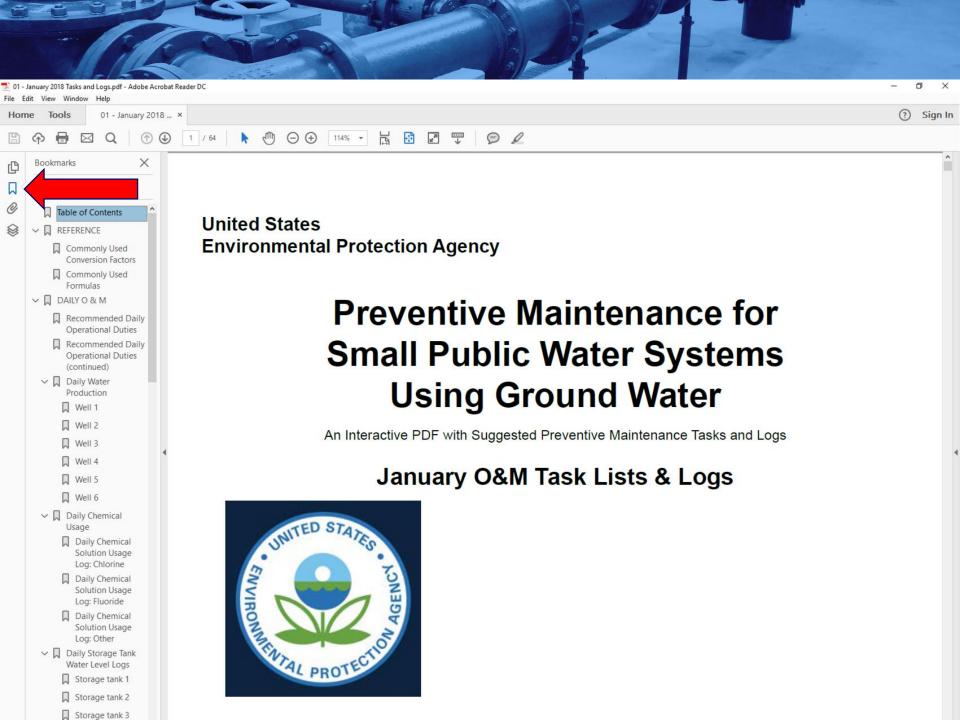
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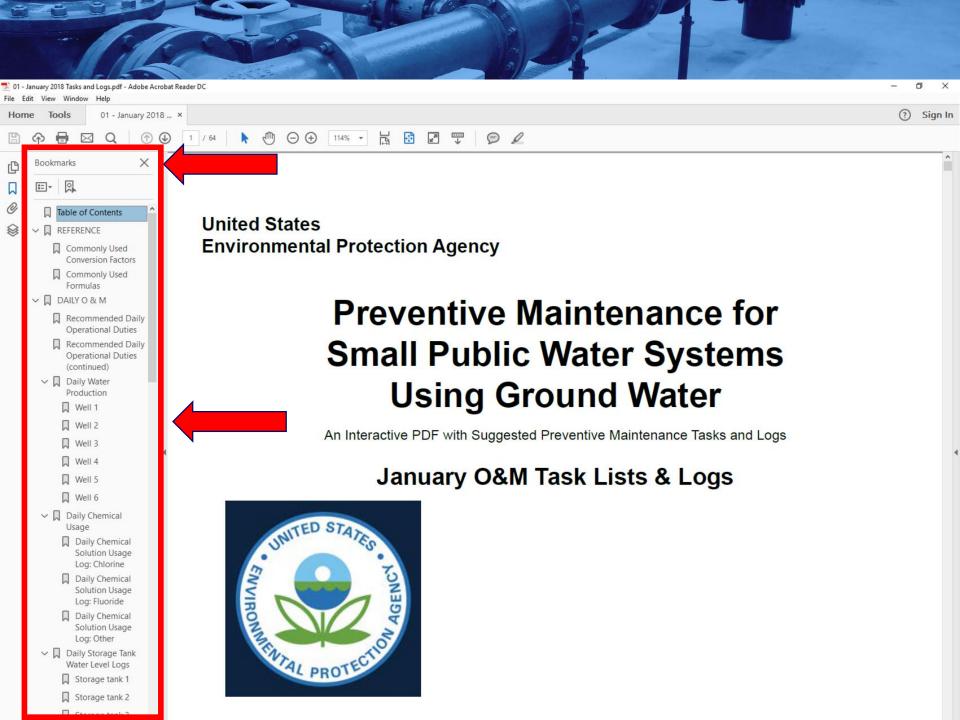
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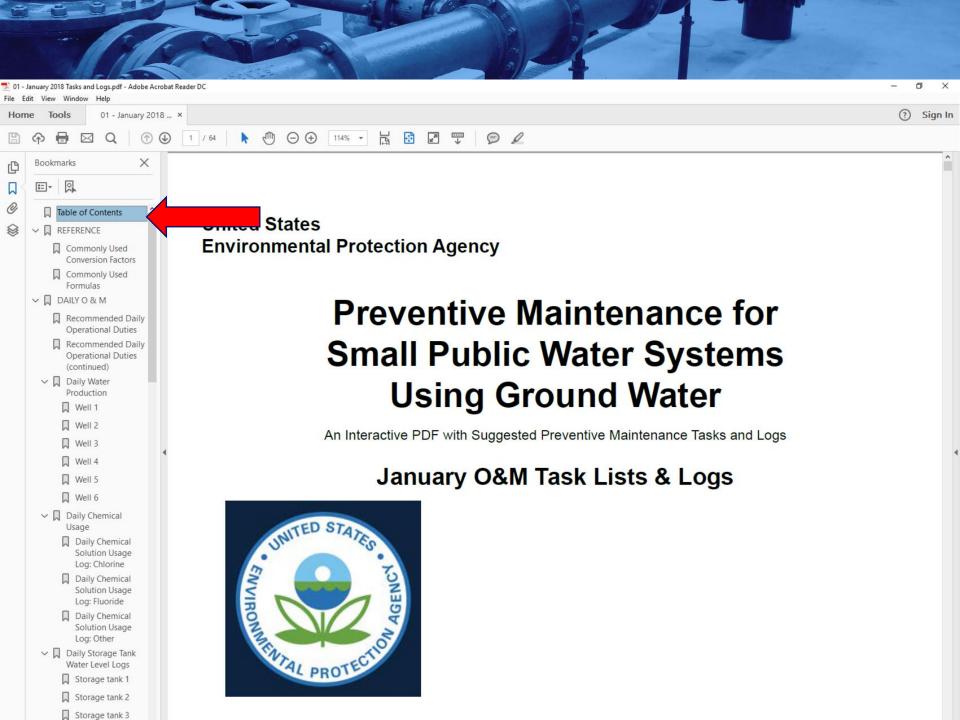


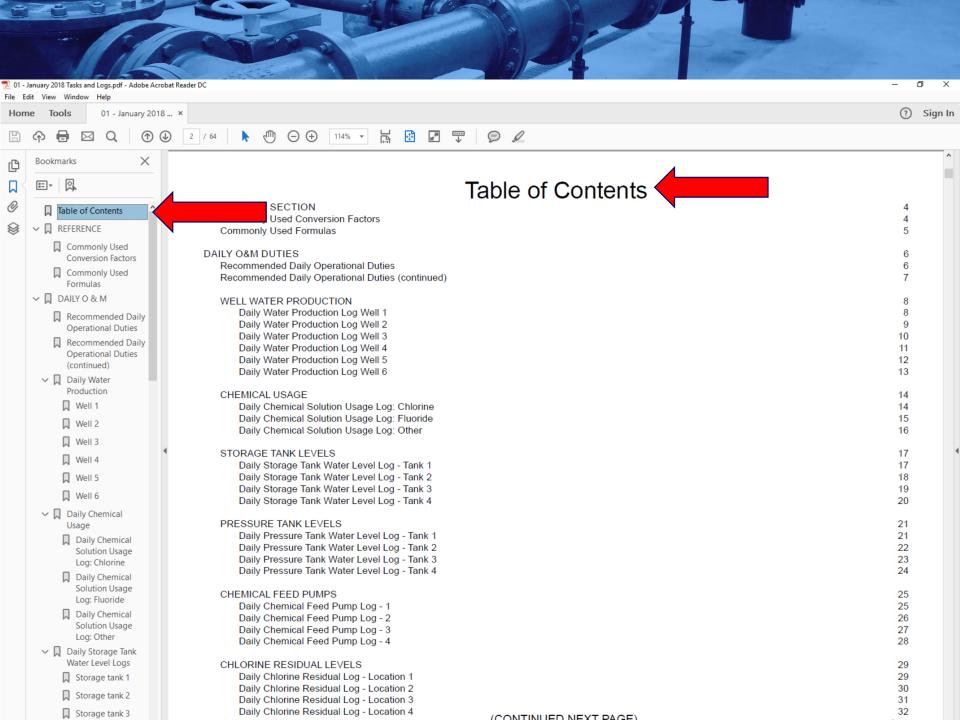












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