

Monday, May 12, 2025

ODEN WATER ASSOCIATION

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Subject: Notice of Bylaw Change – Section 5: ADU-Domestic Use Membership

Dear Oden Water Association Members,

At the Annual Meeting held on May 5, 2025, a proposed bylaw change affecting properties with Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs) was presented and passed with the approval of two-thirds of the membership. The amendment, titled **Section 5: ADU – Domestic Use Membership**, is now in effect. A copy of the updated section is enclosed with this letter for your review.

This bylaw change is the result of extensive discussion and collaboration over the past year. At the 2024 Annual Meeting, members expressed significant interest and concern regarding the use of ADUs, noting that existing bylaws allowed for only single-use connections. In response, a volunteer committee of members was formed to explore the issue and help the Board develop a fair and sustainable approach. The committee's work was instrumental in shaping the proposal that was ultimately adopted in 2025.

Under this new provision, property owners with ADUs connected to the Oden Water Association system are required to contribute an additional 25% of the current connection fee. With the current connection fee set at \$8,800, the amount due for ADU owners is \$2,200.

Key Details:

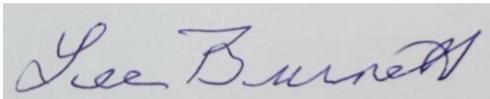
- **Amount Due:** \$2,200
- **Due Date:** Payment must be made **within 60 days** of this notice (by **July 11, 2025**)
- **Purpose:** Ensures equitable contribution for water connections by ADUs
- **Failure to Comply:** May result in **disruption of water service and/or revocation of membership**

Looking ahead, we anticipate an increase in the connection fee. Members who declare ADUs after this period may be subject to higher fees. Therefore, early compliance is strongly encouraged.

If you currently have an ADU on your property, it is your responsibility to declare its existence and submit the required payment within the 60-day period. Please contact one of your volunteer Board Members if you have any questions about your status or the Office Manager if you need assistance with payment.

We thank all committee members and participants who contributed their time and expertise to this important issue. Your involvement is vital to keeping our association responsive and community driven.

Sincerely,

A rectangular box containing a handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Lee Burnett".

Lee Burnett

President, Oden Water Association

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Lee Burnett
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