

Oak Creek Water District

Serving West Sedona Quality Water Since 1953

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HOUSING: For the past 60 Years we have been fortunate to have our water operator living close when emergencies struck. With increased Airbnb's (85 of our 550 residential accounts are registered with the City) and increased house prices, this is becoming impossible. We as a District have got to find a way to make this work if we value that 24/7, 20 minute response time. Until we solve this, expect after hours response times to take 60 to 90 minutes. The emergency line will still receive your calls immediately.

If any district member knows of any affordable housing or ideas please contact the office. We will be discussing options at the next couple of board meetings.

IN THE MEAN TIME, please restrict doing non-emergency water/irrigation projects to Monday thru Thursday. AND make sure your plumber is licensed and calls us before doing ANYTHING.

***** CONSTRUCTION *****

Preliminary water line construction plans are completed and ready for viewing. Most of the water mains in our District will be replaced starting next spring. There will be a full sized paper set of drawings in our office and there are electronic versions on the website. www.oakcreekwater.org

As stated in the last newsletter, these water mains have been in the ground for over 40 years. Over the past four decades landscaping plants, designer rocks, etc have been planted or naturally grown over these mains that are in the public right-of-way. These will get disturbed during construction. Driveways will be replaced in kind but landscaping plants (cactus, bushes, small trees) along the trench line will not. Large landscaping rocks will be put back in the area but not over the water main. Any material like landscape pavers will be placed in a pile. The area will be graded with native dirt. Mailboxes will be temporarily removed and replaced in sections as the contractor progresses. Masonry or stone mailboxes will try to be avoided.



If you have any concerns, now is the time to get them addressed. There will be temporary water outages throughout next year during constructions. If you haven't sign up for the alerts.

Arsenic Treatment System and Tank Rehabilitation Project: See attached Arsenic Notice. The arsenic limit for all three wells were below the 10.5 requirement this quarter but since the annual average was over the limit a notice had to go out. The contractor for the arsenic treatment plant system should be going out for bids by the first of the year.