



Eastern Idaho Regional Sewer District

Policy #2026-03: Non-Residential Users

Background

The Eastern Idaho Regional Sewer District (EIRSD) may consider providing sewer service for non-residential users from time to time. This document summarizes EIRSD's policy for considering approval of non-residential connections.

Authority

EIRSD's adopted Bylaws and Policy Manual and Sewer Ordinance 2024-01 authorize EIRSD to approve non-residential connections or disapprove non-residential connections that EIRSD reasonably determines will cause an undue hardship on the EIRSD or its existing users or will cause, or could potentially cause, pass through or interference of the treatment plant.

Definitions

- Non-Residential User – Any non-domestic user that discharges wastewater to EIRSD system that is not of a similar volume, strength, and/or chemical make-up as that of a residential dwelling unit. These users may be commercial or industrial in nature.

Policy

The EIRSD Board of Directors has applied and will continue to apply the following policy when considering the approval of non-residential connections:

1. EIRSD was created primarily for the purpose of serving the City of Ammon and the City of Shelley by conveying wastewater from these communities and treating said wastewater.
2. EIRSD was created and its systems were designed with the intention of primarily treating domestic or residential strength wastewater.
3. EIRSD may approve or disapprove non-residential connections at its sole discretion without explanation but may consider the following factors:
 - a. The availability of capacity in EIRSD's conveyance and treatment systems.

- b. The economic benefit to the communities served by EIRSD relative to the portion of available capacity to be consumed by the user.
- c. The potential for negative impact to EIRSD's conveyance and treatment systems.
4. For discharges that exceed residential volume, strength, and/or chemical make-up, the method of computing unit charges outlined in EIRSD's Sewer Ordinance Section 14 will be followed to calculate the number of ERU's to be assessed to the user.
5. Non-residential users requesting service shall complete and submit to EIRSD's Superintendent a Commercial/Industrial User Application for Connection Permit, except that applicants meeting the conditions in EIRSD's Sewer Ordinance for a Significant Industrial User (SIU) shall complete and submit an SIU Application for Connection Permit.
6. The EIRSD Superintendent shall have authority to approve applications for up to 15 Equivalent Residential Units (ERU's). Application for over 15 ERU's will require EIRSD Board approval.
7. For non-residential user applications that EIRSD approves, EIRSD will issue a permit that includes any special conditions that will apply to the user which may include: discharge limits; sampling, monitoring, analytical, and reporting requirements; prohibitions; renewal and termination provisions; and enforcement and compliance provisions including fines for permit violations. Violation of any of the discharge limits, reporting requirements, prohibitions, renewal and termination provisions may also result in immediate revocation of the permit at the sole discretion of the EIRSD Superintendent, which shall be reviewed and upheld or reversed by the EIRSD Board at the next meeting in which appropriate legal notice may occur.
8. EIRSD may also establish fines at a sufficient level to require users to remain in compliance rather than routinely violate the permit.

EIRSD Board Chair _____



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