

OOTISCHENIA IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT



“Our Mission is To Provide Safe Potable Drinking Water”

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Chlorine Flush

Chlorine system flushing will begin on April 6, 2026, and will be completed no later than April 27, 2026. Although chlorine was added during the January water quality advisory, the full extent of unidirectional flushing could not be done. This is an important procedure that must be performed in both spring and fall with the presence of chlorine. For this reason, we must again introduce chlorine into the distribution system.

Taxes and Tolls

Tax and tolls invoices will be mailed in February. In order to receive the discounted rate shown on your invoice, payment must be received no later than our office closure on April 30, 2026. After April 30, 2026 the discounts shown on the invoice will no longer apply. **Please remember your invoice is not payable at any bank, and it is unrelated to property taxes.** Office hours are 10:00am to 3:30pm Tuesdays and Thursdays.

General Information

From January 1, 2025 to December 31, 2025 the OID pumped and delivered a total of **144,036,300** US gallons of water compared to 139,058,100 in 2024. For each of our 500 active connections that equals a yearly average per home of 288,073 US gallons, a monthly average of 24,006 US gallons and a daily average of 789 US gallons. The lowest monthly average consumption per day was in January with 225 US gallons per connection. The highest monthly average consumption per day was in July with 1,768 US gallons per connection. The consumption rate was 7.8 times higher in July than it was in January.

The OID is in the process of identifying a location for a fourth well. Once a final location is selected, the permit application process will begin followed by drilling, testing, and commissioning of the well. The purpose for a new well is to ensure that we can continue to meet the demand for water in the event we lose the ability to deliver water from any of our current wells. A fourth well will also allow us to rotate the wells in use, lowering the overall pumping hours of all the wells and increasing their life span.

A new well will not allow for the removal of the moratorium on new connections.

OID by-laws state that the property owner is responsible for keeping the isolation valve to their property free of debris and cover. This is very important. If we cannot find your valve in an emergency, severe damage could occur to your home. If you do not know where your isolation valve is, contact the OID and we may be able to help you locate it.

Annual General Meeting and Election of Trustees

The Annual General Meeting will take place on April 29, 2026 at 7pm at the Ootischenia Hall During the AGM, there will be an election to fill two (2) Trustee positions. Each position is for a three-year period. All persons interested in running for a Trustee position must submit nomination documents no later than April 1, 2026. Nomination forms may be picked up at the OID office Tuesday or Thursday between 10am and 4pm, or on the website www.ootischenia.com

Residential Information

Does your home have a suite or apartment?

OID staff are continuously monitoring water consumption based on both the number of persons using water, as well as the number of residential units that are supplied with water. Accurately knowing how many residential units there are within the OID provides us with a good understanding of water consumption per residential unit compared to National and Provincial averages. This information can then be used when accessing funding for distribution system improvements and to better understand water demand for domestic (in home) purposes.

Please provide the OID with current information so we may serve you better. If you have a multi-family residence, please provide information for each residential unit. Contact information of rental tenants will only be used in case of emergency.

Please provide relevant information

Address of the residence-

Name of owner-

Phone number of owner-

Email address of owner-

Name of tenant if unit is a rental-

Phone number of tenant-

Email address of tenant-

How many people live in this residence-

Are there secondary suites or apartments at this property?

Suite/apartment 1

Tenants name-

Tenants phone number-

Tenants email address-

Suite/apartment 2

Tenants name-

Tenants phone number-

Tenants email address-

Please return this form with your updated information to the OID office or by email at oidwater@ootiskenia.com. You may also complete this form on our website at www.ootiskenia.com. Select the "Forms" tab, then "Residential Information"