

ORLAND-ARTOIS WATER DISTRICT

June 10, 2020

2020 WATER ALLOCATION CHANGE

On June 8th the Bureau of Reclamation announced a "Non-Shasta Critical Year" for 2020 and Sacramento River Settlement Contractors are now at 100% of their water allotment. North of the Delta water service contractors, including OAWD, are still at 50% but, the "Non-Shasta Critical Year" determination increases the amount of water available to OAWD from Settlement Contractor's at a lower cost.

Because of Reclamation's determination, the water application and payment process will revert to normal. The water commitment payments for June 29th will not be due and when your current water credit is used you will be billed monthly. Water credits on accounts will not be subject to a use or lose it criteria.

The 2020 water rates are as follows: the Base water rate for irrigation water is **\$85.50** per acre-foot, the M&I water rate is **\$88.00** per acre-foot, and the Full Cost water rate is **\$238.00** per acre-foot (The water rates are strictly a "pass through" cost of what the District is paying for the water). These rates are based on the current 50% allocation. Due to the District having no control of Reclamation's determinations, the cost and availability of water is subject to change.

If you used water in May, your invoice has been revised, reprinted and included in with this newsletter.

This newsletter along with water rates, applications, water order forms, and RRA forms are available on the District's website, oawd.org. **Due to COVID-19, the District doors are locked but staff is available by phone and/or email. There is also a dropbox for forms roadside and by the front door of the office.** If you have any questions, please give me a call at the District office.

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Important Dates:

Operations Charge Second Installment: August 1st

Assessment Second Installment: October 1st