

# **BONNER COUNTY PLANNING DEPARTMENT**

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## VARIANCE APPLICATION

| FOR OFFICE USE ONLY:                                  |   |       |  |  |
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| FILE # V0035-25  Public Hearing Required: Yes □ No □  | RECEIVED: October 15, 2025  |       |  |  |
|   | request will be actual measurement, i.e. a structu<br>equest will be 20 feet, where 25 feet is required): | ıre i |  |  |
| Street Setback ( feet)                                | Shoreline Setback ( feet)   |       |  |  |
| Property Line Setback ( feet)                         | ☐ Bulk Increase (Volume) ( % incre  | ase   |  |  |
| Lot and/or Impervious Surface Coverage (_             | %)  | s)    |  |  |
| Depth to Width Ratio (:1)                             | Other: Side yard selback feet 2 Fe  | et.   |  |  |
| Landowner's name:  Mailing address:  City: Post Falls | State: Idaho Zip code: 83854  |       |  |  |
|   | State: Idaho Zip code: 83854  |       |  |  |
| Telephone:  | Fax: N/A  |       |  |  |
| E-mail:   |   |       |  |  |
| REPRESENTATIVE'S INFORMATION:                         |   |       |  |  |
| Representative's name:                                |   |       |  |  |
| Company name:   |   |       |  |  |
| Mailing address:                                      |   |       |  |  |
| City:   | State: Zip code:  |       |  |  |
| Telephone:  | Fax:  |       |  |  |
| E-mail:   |   |       |  |  |
| ADDITIONAL APPLICANT/REPRESENTATIVE                   | INFORMATION:  |       |  |  |
| Name/Relationship to project:                         |   |       |  |  |
| Company Name:   |   |       |  |  |
| Mailing Address:                                      |   |       |  |  |
| City:   | State: Zip Code:  |       |  |  |
| Telephone:  | Fax:  |       |  |  |
| E-mail:   |   |       |  |  |

#### PARCEL INFORMATION:

| Section #: 09   | Township: 56N      | Range: 03W | Parcel acreage: 1.46            |  |  |  |  |
|---|--------------------|------------|---------------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| Parcel # (s): RP007920000010A, River Ranch Estates, Lot 1                   |                    |            |                                 |  |  |  |  |
| Legal description:  |                    |            |                                 |  |  |  |  |
| Lot 1, River Ranch Estates, Book 4 of plats, page 45, Bonner County records |                    |            |                                 |  |  |  |  |
|   |                    |            |                                 |  |  |  |  |
| Current landowner's name: Lee and Kimera Badger                             |                    |            |                                 |  |  |  |  |
| Current zoning: R-5   |                    | Cu         | Current use: Recreational Cabin |  |  |  |  |
| What zoning districts border the project site?                              |                    |            |                                 |  |  |  |  |
| North: R-5  |                    | Eas        | st: R-5                         |  |  |  |  |
| South: R-5  |                    |            | West: R-5                       |  |  |  |  |
| Comprehensive plan designation:   |                    |            |                                 |  |  |  |  |
| Uses of the surrounding land (describe lot sizes, structures, uses):        |                    |            |                                 |  |  |  |  |
| North: Approximately 3/4 acre recreational cabin                            |                    |            |                                 |  |  |  |  |
| South: 1.5 acre recreational lot  |                    |            |                                 |  |  |  |  |
| East: Approximately 30 acre timbered forest                                 |                    |            |                                 |  |  |  |  |
| West: Pend Oreille River  |                    |            |                                 |  |  |  |  |
| Within Area of City   | Impact?: 🔲 Yes 🛭 🗹 | No If y    | res, which city?: N/A           |  |  |  |  |

### NARRATIVE STATEMENT

### (ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION MAY BE SUBMITTED FOR NARRATIVE STATEMENT, IF NECESSARY):

Describe whether conditions apply to the property that do not apply generally to other properties in the same zone or vicinity, which conditions are a result of lot size, shape, topography, or other circumstances over which the applicant has no control. BCRC 12-234(a) Explain why it is not possible to comply with the ordinance standards. Example: A site may have excessive slopes that prevent a structure from meeting the required setbacks.

The pumphouse that houses the well is 5 feet from the south property line and is grandfathered due to its age (1979). The shed in question is attached to the pumphouse but its setback is 2.5 feet. Our hope is that the shed can remain in its current location. However, we could move it an additional 2.5 feet to create a 5 foot setback if approved. Moving the shed more than 2.5 feet would contact the cabin, thus requiring us to demolish the shed and rebuild. It would be a hardhsip because the extensive water filtration system is in the shed. See attached pictures.

Explain how special conditions and circumstances do not result from the actions of the applicant. BCRC 12-234(b) Example: Did the applicant reduce the size of his/her parcel, thereby creating an "unbuildable" parcel?

We recently purchase this property and learned that we had inherited a setback issue with the shed that the previous owner had built. Our neighbor to the south has filed a complaint regarding the sheds location.

Explain how granting the variance is not in conflict with the public interest in that it will not be detrimental to the public health, safety, or welfare, or materially injurious to properties or improvements in the vicinity of the subject parcel or lot. BCRC 12-234(c) Explain how the proposed use is compatible with adjoining land uses. Example: Will approval of the variance result in a potential obstruction of public access or cause a safety hazard? Are there effects of elements on adjoining property such as noise, light glare, odor, fumes and vibration?

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| This variance will not impact other properties or cause any safety hazards. It is not near any current or future access sites and blends well with similar buildings on neighboring lots. No light shines on other properties as a result of this shed being in its current spot.                             |  |   |                  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| ACCESS INFORMATION:   |  |   |                  |  |  |  |  |  |
|   | Plea   | ase check appropriate boxes:  |                  |  |  |  |  |  |
|   |  | Private Easement Describe travel surface (e.g., gravel, dirt, paved, etc.), travel way width, road grade and easement width. Include recorded instrument number for existing easements & name, if existing: |                  |  |  |  |  |  |
|   | Public Road Describe travel surface (e.g., gravel, dirt, paved, etc.), travel way width, road grade right-of-way width and name, if existing: Evergreen road is gravel and is a county right-of-way. The easement is no less than 52 feet in width as it crosses our property. |   |                  |  |  |  |  |  |
|   |  | Combination of Public Road/Private Easement Describe travel surface (e.g., gravel, dirt, paved, etc.), travel way width, road grade and right-of-way/easement width and road name, if existing:             |                  |  |  |  |  |  |
| SITE INFORMATION:   |  |   |                  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ſ   | Plea   | ase provide a detailed description of the following land features:  |                  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Topography (lay of the land), including estimated maximum slope, rock outcroppings, benches, etc: Subject lot is 796 feet deep including a 60 foot easement for Evergreen road. Estimated total drop from East to West (796') is 2-3 feet. The subjuect lot is 100 feet in width, approximate drop is 0 feet. |  |   |                  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Water courses (lakes, streams, rivers & other bodies of water): Pend Oreille River  |  |   |                  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Γ   | Is s   | site within a floodplain? 🗹 Yes 🔲 No Firm Panel #: 🛚 🛮  | Map designation: |  |  |  |  |  |
|   | *********  | rings & wells: Sand point well  |                  |  |  |  |  |  |
| l<br>E  | Main<br>Bunk   | sting structures (size & use):  Cabin: irregular, 67'6" x 33'1" (see attached site plan) Shop: 30' x 60'  Chouse cabin: 15' x 16' Storage cabin: 15' x 12'  I (in question): 8' x12'                        |                  |  |  |  |  |  |

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| Land cover (timber, pastures, etc): Lightly treed around cabin and landscaped with plants and grass. Behind the shop is approximately 1 acre of timber. |   |  |  |  |  |
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| Are wetlands present on site? ☐ Yes ☑ No  | Source of information: visual   |  |  |  |  |
| Other pertinent information (attach additional possible attached pictures.  | ages if needed):  |  |  |  |  |
| are true to the best of my knowledge. I further   | tents, attachments and exhibits submitted herewith grant permission to Bonner County employees and enter upon the subject land to make examinations, to the processing of this application.  Date: 10-13-25 |  |  |  |  |