

Ada vs Canyon County Remodel Permits

Quick reference for Treasure Valley homeowners — timelines are estimates.

Which county am I in?

Area	County	Portal
Boise, Meridian, Eagle	Ada	Ada County Planning
Kuna, Star	Ada	Ada County Planning
Nampa, Middleton	Canyon	Canyon County
Caldwell	Canyon	Canyon County

When permits are usually required

- Removing or adding walls (structural)
- Moving plumbing drains or water lines
- Adding or relocating electrical circuits
- Additions, ADUs, covered patios tied to structure

Often minimal review

- Like-for-like fixture swaps in same location
- Cabinet refacing without MEP changes
- Cosmetic finishes when no layout change

Typical timeline bands

Phase	Ada County	Canyon County
Plan prep	2–6 weeks	2–6 weeks
Review / comments	2–8 weeks	2–8 weeks
Inspections	During construction	During construction

Homeowner checklist

- Confirm jurisdiction before ordering cabinets
- Ask if permits are in contractor scope
- Respond to plan-check comments quickly
- Do not cover work before rough inspections
- HOA review separate (Eagle, master-planned areas)

Learn more

- Visual flowchart: <https://boiseremodeling.co/resources/ada-canyon-permit-flow>
- Article: <https://boiseremodeling.co/blog/ada-vs-canyon-county-permit-timelines>
- Process guide: <https://boiseremodeling.co/guides/boise-remodeling-process-guide>