

Big Bear Area Regional Wastewater Agency

Regular Board Meeting Minutes
September 24, 2025 at 5:00 p.m.
121 Palomino Drive, Big Bear City, CA 92314

1. Call to Order

A Regular Meeting of the Governing Board of the Big Bear Area Regional Wastewater Agency was called to order by Chair Segovia at 5:00 p.m. on September 24, 2025, at 121 Palomino Drive, Big Bear City, California.

Board Members Present: Kendi Segovia, Chair; Larry Walsh, Vice-Chair; John Russo, Director; and Andrew Sauer, Director

Board Members Absent: Rick Herrick, Director

Staff Members Present: David Lawrence, General Manager; Christine Bennett, Finance Manager; Bridgette Burton, Administrative Services Manager/Board Secretary; Sonja Kawa, Human Resources Coordinator/Accounting Technician; and John Shimmin, Plant Manager

Others: Glenn Jacklin, General Manager, Big Bear City Community Services District; Ward Simmons, Partner, Best Best & Krieger, LLP; Sean Sullivan, Assistant City Manager/Director of Public Works, City of Big Bear Lake

Members of the public who signed in: Randy Carroll-Bradd

2. Pledge of Allegiance – Director Russo

3. Approval of Agenda

Upon motion by Director Russo, seconded by Vice-Chair Walsh and carried, the Governing Board approved the agenda as presented.

Ayes: Russo, Sauer, Segovia, Walsh

Noes: None

Absent: Herrick

Abstain: None

4. Public Forum

None

5. Presentation and Introduction

a. Andrew Sauer – San Bernardino County Appointment to Governing Board

The General Manager welcomed Director Sauer to the Governing Board.

6. Information/Committee Reports

a. General Manager's Report

The General Manager noted that the flow from the City of Big Bear Lake and the Big Bear City Community Services District was nearly equal, which is typical for this time of year.

b. Replenish Big Bear Report

The General Manager highlighted his attendance at the WateReuse Conference, where he presented the Replenish Big Bear Project and discussed its accomplishments and challenges.

7. Consent Calendar Approved Items

a. Meeting Minutes from the August 27, 2025 Regular Meeting

b. Monthly Disbursements Report for August

c. Investment Report Identifying Agency Investments and Reporting Interest Income for August

d. Carryover Appropriations

Upon motion by Director Russo, seconded by Vice-Chair Walsh and carried, the Governing Board approved the consent calendar as presented.

Ayes: Russo, Sauer, Segovia, Walsh

Noes: None

Absent: Herrick

Abstain: None

8. Items Removed from the Consent Calendar

None

9. Old Business

None

10. New Business – Discussion/Action Items

a. Amendment No. 3 to the Payment and Collection of Total Annual Charge and Standby Charges Agreement

The Administrative Services Manager/Board Secretary reported that the Amendment extends the agreement through 2031.

Upon motion by Chair Segovia, seconded by Vice-Chair Walsh and carried, the Governing Board approved Amendment No. 3 to the Payment and Collection of Total Annual Charge and Standby Charges Agreement and authorized the General Manager to negotiate and execute Amendment No. 3.

Ayes: Russo, Sauer, Segovia, Walsh
Noes: None
Absent: Herrick
Abstain: None

- b.** Resolution No. R. 13-2025, A Resolution of the Big Bear Area Regional Wastewater Agency Approving the Transfer of the Agency's 457(b) and 401(a) Plans to a New Trustee/Custodian

The Human Resources Coordinator/Accounting Technician explained that the employees reviewed competitive quotes from several companies and decided to transfer the 457(b) and 401(a) plans to Empower for better service and usability.

A public comment was heard.

Upon motion by Director Sauer, seconded by Director Russo and carried, the Governing Board adopted Resolution No. R. 13-2025.

Ayes: Russo, Sauer, Segovia, Walsh
Noes: None
Absent: Herrick
Abstain: None

- c.** Appointment of Governing Board Member to Represent BBARWA on the Bear Valley Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency Board of Directors

The Administrative Services Manager/Board Secretary presented the item.

Upon motion by Chair Segovia, seconded by Vice-Chair Walsh and carried, the Governing Board appointed Andrew Sauer to represent BBARWA on the Bear Valley Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency Board of Directors.

Ayes: Russo, Sauer, Segovia, Walsh
Noes: None
Absent: Herrick
Abstain: None

- d.** Interim Appointment of Governing Board Members to Finance and Operations Committees

The Administrative Services Manager/Board Secretary presented the item. Director Sauer volunteered for both committees.

Upon motion by Vice-Chair Walsh, seconded by Director Russo and carried, the Governing Board appointed Director Sauer to the Finance and Operations Committees in the interim.

Ayes: Russo, Sauer, Segovia, Walsh
Noes: None
Absent: Herrick
Abstain: None

e. Cancel or Continue the Replenish Big Bear Project

The General Manager explained two board members requested this item placed on the agenda.

Public comments were heard.

Vice-Chair Walsh made a motion to direct staff to cancel the Replenish Big Bear Project with the completion of the Preliminary Design Report and present the full financial impact at a future meeting, which was seconded by Director Russo.

Ayes: Russo, Walsh
Noes: Sauer, Segovia
Absent: Herrick
Abstain: None

The motion did not pass. The General Manager stated that staff will continue with the last action approved by the Governing Board, which is to continue with the final design.

11. Comments and Announcements

a. General Manager Comments

None

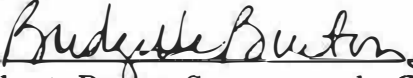
b. Governing Board Comments

The Governing Board clarified the timeframe for completing the Replenish Big Bear Project final design.

12. Adjournment

With no further business to come before the Governing Board, Chair Segovia adjourned the meeting at 6:06 p.m.

Attest:



Bridgette Burton, Secretary to the Governing Board
Big Bear Area Regional Wastewater Agency