

Big Bear Area Regional Wastewater Agency Annual audit

Fiscal year ended June 30, 2023



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Responsibilities of Auditor

- Audit Agency's financial statements in accordance with US Generally Accepted Auditing Standards, *Government Auditing Standards* and the State Controllers *Minimum Audit Requirements for Special Districts*
- Plan the audit to express opinions as to whether *managements* financial statements are fairly presented, in all material respects, in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP)
 - Provide reasonable assurance, not absolute
 - Unmodified opinion expressed

Audit process

• Interim audit performed through hybrid approach (June 2023):

• Reviewed internal controls over financial reporting for the following areas (inquiries, inspect documents, etc):

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- Billing and cash receipts
- Cash and investments
- Information technology
- Financial closing and reporting
- Capital assets and long-term debt
- Performed internal control testing over the following areas:
 - Cash disbursements
 - Purchasing and contracts
 - Payroll
 - Common controls over multiple areas (reconciliations, journal entries, etc.)

Audit process (continued)

- Year-end audit performed remotely (Aug-Oct 2023):
 - Conducted detailed audit of financial records (audit of the numbers)
 - Inspected relevant documentation
 - Inquired and examined evidence about transactions and events
 - Confirmed cash and investment balances
 - Performed analytical procedures (review and evaluate significant variances and/or unusual transactions)
 - Read minutes of board meetings
 - Assist in the preparation of the ACFR (review and evaluate for compliance with GAAP)
 - Performed deep data analytics over disbursements



Audit process (continued)

- New accounting pronouncements:
 - Adoption of GASB Statement No. 96 Subscription Based IT Arrangements (SBITA). However, the Agency had no items that qualified for GASB 96 treatment this year.

Completing the process

- Independent Auditor's Report
 - Unmodified report
 - "In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the Agency, as of June 30, 2023..."

Completing the process (continued)

- Required communications
 - $_{\circ}~$ SAS 114 letter to those charged with governance
 - $_{\circ}~$ No uncorrected misstatements reported
 - No difficulties working with the Agency
 - No disagreements with management
 - Report on internal control over financial reporting and on compliance and other matters based on an audit of financial statements performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*
 - No deficiencies reported
 - No matters of noncompliance reported

Conclusion 8 • Questions