November 2026

MANAGER'S MINUTE

The election is over, and we are waiting for the County to certify the results. The Directors will be sworn in at a special meeting to be held on December 4, as required by law. I want to thank everyone who voted and encourage everyone to register to vote so you can participate in future elections, like the upcoming special election in March.

Some very important discussions and decisions are approaching. At the November 12 meeting, the Board will be discussing and finalizing the amount and language for the dedicated police tax to be placed on the March 2027 special election ballot. This is an opportunity for the community to weigh in on this language before it is submitted to the County.

At the December 10 meeting, the Board will be reviewing the Roads fee report that is required as part of the Proposition 218 property-related fee approval. I encourage everyone who can attend or watch the meeting to do so. I also encourage everyone to read the report when the agenda is posted on December 7. Once the Board accepts the report, I will schedule at least two town hall meetings to discuss the report and how it will affect property owners if the Proposition 218 process is successful and the fees are adopted by the Board.

Finally, I want to thank everyone again for their patience as we continue to push through the challenges with the Bear Valley Road project. We are doing our best to keep the project moving forward so that we can accomplish as much as possible before the cold weather sets in, while keeping the project on budget.



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FROM THE ADMIN OFFICE

Election season is coming to a close, with ballots cast and votes being counted. Three District board seats were on the ballot in the recent statewide election. The official canvass will be submitted to the District by Thursday, December 3, 2026. The newly elected board members will then begin onboarding, including an introduction to the District and staff and completion of required training.

The newly elected Board Members will be sworn in at a special board meeting on Friday, December 4, 2026, and will each serve a four-year term.

On September 30, 2026, Governor Newsom signed AB 1821, which amended California Government Code section 7922.535. Under the revised California Public Records Act timelines, agencies have 10 business days to respond to public records requests and may extend that period by up to 14 additional business days.

In January, the District launched a new public records request platform and has received 87 requests to date. Many disclosed records are available in the public log, so please review it before submitting a new request; the information you need may already be available.

The District will continue to process and respond to all requests. However, some records may be exempt from public disclosure, and in other cases the district may not have the requested record. Requesters will be notified when either situation applies. View the online log at bvcsd.org by clicking “Public Records Requests”.

Denise Jelleschitz
Board Secretary
Assistant to the General Manager

Community Services District Hours

Administration Office:
Mon-Fri, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Transfer Station:
Monday: 7:30 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Tuesday: 7:30 a.m. – 6 p.m.
Wednesday: 7:30 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Thursday: 7:30 a.m. – 6 p.m.
Friday: 7:30 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Saturday: 7:30 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Sunday: 7:30 a.m. – 5 p.m.

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POLICE DEPARTMENT

Connecting With the Community

Building relationships with our residents is an essential part of how we serve Bear Valley Springs. We want you to know your officers are present, approachable, and willing to go the extra mile when you need help. Spending time with you helps us understand the issues affecting your daily lives and address concerns before they become larger problems.

Over the past year, the Bear Valley Police Department has hosted numerous community events so we can get to know each other better. All of these are ongoing or will be repeated in the future, so watch for announcements on how you can participate!

Coffee with a Bear
Held at the Mulligan Room, this is an opportunity for residents to sit down for a cup of coffee with our officers to get acquainted, ask questions, and address concerns.

Ask the Chief
This event provides an open forum for residents to speak directly with Chief Dain Hurst about department operations, safety concerns, and any issues facing our community.

Family Safety Day & Bike Rodeo
Held on May 30, 2026, this event allows families to learn safety skills through hands-on activities. This is a chance to learn important bike safety skills while spending time with our officers.

Club Liaison Program:
The Bear Valley Police Department connects with local clubs and community groups. If your club would like to participate, email bvpd@bvspd.org.

You Are Not Alone (YANA) Program
This program supports seniors and residents who live alone through check-ins and personal contact. It helps participants stay connected and provides an opportunity to identify concerns about their well-being.

Winter Readiness Workshop
On October 1, the Bear Valley Police Department hosted a workshop to help residents be prepared for a potentially severe winter. The core message: Make sure you are prepared to be isolated at home for at least seven days.

I encourage everyone to participate, share your ideas, and get to know your officers. Your input helps us understand where we can improve and how we can better serve Bear Valley Springs.



Chief Dain Hurst
Bear Valley
Police Department

Contact Bear Valley Police
Emergency Calls: 911
Non-Emergency Calls: 661-861-3110

PUBLIC WORKS

The Bear Valley Road Rehabilitation Project



Paving work is progressing on the Bear Valley Road Rehabilitation Project. Following a weather delay, crews began paving the roadway on October 29.

After significant traffic delays on November 3, the Bear Valley CSD met with the contractor and on-site construction manager to implement new protocols. These changes have helped reduce wait times through the construction area. However, residents should continue to expect delays while construction is underway.

Beginning Monday, November 9, crews are scheduled to move into the next phase of the project. Water-main installation and roadway reconstruction will continue through the end of November.

Additional paving work is scheduled between Sageland Court and Bear Valley Road through November 13.

The CSD will continue to send regular project updates through Nixle email and text alerts. If you haven't signed up for Nixle, visit bvcsd.org/Nixle.

Preparing for El Niño

As we approach the winter months and with the possibility of severe weather due to El Niño, please take some time to check the drainage channels on your property.

Make sure they are clear, open, and free of obstructions. Blocking or restricting these channels can cause water to accumulate and create flooding issues for neighboring properties downstream.

Uncontrolled runoff can also carry sediment onto roads, creating hazardous conditions and requiring significant time and resources for cleanup.

Keeping drainage channels clear and managing stormwater runoff helps protect your property, your neighbors, and our infrastructure.

Water Leak Repairs

The Bear Valley CSD Water Division has been hard at work repairing water leaks throughout Bear Valley Springs.

In October, the team repaired 26 water leaks. That follows 32 repairs in August and another 29 in September.

That's a total of 87 water leak repairs in just three months.

To report a water leak in your area, visit reportleaks.com or call the CSD Office at 661-821-4428.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS



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Board Actions in October

- **The CSD is continuing the Proposition 218 process to establish additional funding for the Roads Department.**
  - In October, the Board of Directors approved a methodology and timeline for a roads analysis. The analysis will provide critical data to determine costs for future road maintenance and repairs. Under California's Prop 218, an analysis like this is required before any new or increased assessment can be proposed.

- **The Board of Directors Has Approved Proposed Rates for a Special Police Tax Measure.**
  - The proposed special tax for the March 2027 election would start at $200 annually in the first year, increase to $250 in the second year, and reach $300 in the third year. The Board opted for a phased-in approach to give residents time to adjust to the new tax.
  - Revenue from the proposed tax would help fund Bear Valley Police Department operations, including salaries, equipment, and training.

- **Board Approves Cost-Saving Agreement for IT Services.**
  - The CSD Board of Directors approved a three-year agreement with VTEch Support, Inc. to provide Information Technology services to the Bear Valley Community Services District. The agreement is for approximately $10,000 a month, down from the $12,300 the District was previously paying for IT services.

- **The Board approved a contract with Cecil Logging, Inc. to continue the CAL FIRE Phase III Hazardous Fuels Reduction Grant.**

- **The Board introduced an ordinance to allow the use of compostable bags in organic waste bins at the CSD transfer station. This ordinance will be voted on at a future meeting.**

- **The Board introduced a state-mandated ordinance to prohibit the use of potable water to irrigate non-functional turf on District property. The ordinance will be voted on at a future meeting.**

November Meeting Schedule

- **Regular Board Meeting, November 12, 6:00 pm**
- **Special Finance Committee Meeting, November 17, 9:00 am**
- **Public Safety Committee, November 19, 3:00 pm**