



# Big Bear Municipal Water District

## Lake Management

### Board of Directors

Steve Ludecke – Division 1  
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### Operations Committee Meeting Marina Task Force Minutes March 20, 2026

**Present:** Director Lee  
President Bradford (Alternate)  
Jared Cheek, General Manager  
Elsa Donoho, Board Secretary  
Jim Cummings, Facility Manager

**Public:** Marina representatives from: Pine Knot Marina, Captain Johns, Holloways, North Shore Landing, Pleasure Point, Big Bear Marina.

#### 1. Marina Task Force

##### a. Introductions & Background

- i. Drew introduced Elsa to the group, and general introductions followed.
- ii. Jared provided an overview of the historical judgment that established the requirement for the Annual Marina Task Force Meeting.

##### b. Opening Day & Operations

- i. All marinas confirmed opening on April 1, except Holloways, which is already open.
- ii. Big Bear Marina will open on April 3.
- iii. All marinas reported operating hours of 8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
- iv. Day launches will be available only at Pleasure Point and Big Bear Marina.
- v. Permit and decontamination prices remain unchanged from the previous year.
- vi. Drew reminded marinas to submit weekly permit sales and ensure submissions are legible.

##### c. Ramp & Inspection Procedures

- i. Ramp hours will continue to fluctuate based on seasonal needs.
- ii. There will be no inspections at the West Ramp for the season; all inspections will be directed to the East Ramp.
- iii. Marinas were asked to ensure experienced staff conduct inspections due to the significant threat posed by the golden mussel, noting that Silverwood is currently infected.
- iv. Marinas should continue using the tablets and app for reporting.
- v. Complex decontaminations are available only on weekdays.
- vi. All ballast boats will continue to require mandatory quarantine or decontamination.

##### d. Training & Safety

- i. AIS prevention training is scheduled for mid-May, with a request for each marina to send 4–5 inspectors.
- ii. Staff provided an overview of Lake Patrol qualifications.

- iii. The group was reminded that all vessel accidents involving more than \$500 in damage or any loss of life must be reported to the District.
- iv. A valid boater card is required, and patrol will issue citations for non-compliance.
- e. **Compliance & Patrol Focus Areas**
  - i. The primary area of non-compliance remains Boulder Bay Park/Marina, especially involving non-registered vessels.
  - ii. Lake Patrol will increase enforcement in this area to ensure vessels are permitted and inspected.
  - iii. The group discussed potential regulation of the east end for water sports and towing ballast.
- f. **Lake & Shoreline Management**
  - i. Dock and shoreline inspections will begin on April 1.
  - ii. The District emphasized increased efforts on carp removal, including additional shocking operations using the new shock boat.
  - iii. Staff provided information on the upcoming U.S. Rowing event.
- g. **Commercial Activity Concerns**
  - i. Unauthorized commercial activity will not be permitted.
  - ii. Captain John raised concerns about unpermitted concessionaires operating at Boulder Bay Park/Marina, which impacts legitimate businesses.
  - iii. Loren Hafen supported the need for commercial permit enforcement and noted ongoing unauthorized activity at that location.
  - iv. Loren also expressed support for expanded ballast/wake sport education, and Connor Hafen encouraged additional outreach.
  - v. A trifold educational pamphlet was recommended.
- h. **Closing Remarks**
  - i. All marina owners expressed appreciation to the District, and to Drew specifically, for maintaining a positive and productive working relationship.

## 2. Operations Issues & Updates

- a. None.