

***MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF
BIG BEAR MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT
HELD ON THURSDAY, MARCH 20, 2014***

District Counsel Wayne Lemieux reported that Director Suhay is present via telephone conference explaining that the site that Director Suhay is calling from was not posted on the agenda. He explained that he can't vote.

CALL TO ORDER

President Murphy called the Open Session to order at 1:00 PM. Those in attendance included Director Lewis, Director Eminger, Director Smith, District Counsel Wayne Lemieux, General Manager Scott Heule, Lake Manager Mike Stephenson, and Board Secretary Vicki Sheppard.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

President Murphy reported that there was no reportable action from the closed session at the March 6th meeting.

REPORTS

General Manager, Scott Heule reported that he attended a Mercury TMDL meeting in Sacramento explaining that Mercury TMDL is still alive and kicking and will be discussed in a Watershed Committee meeting tomorrow.

Lake Manager, Mike Stephenson reported that the hiring process is complete. He added that we have some good candidates. He stated that all docks will be placed next week. He reported that we will have a fish delivery tomorrow and one delivery per month for 3 months. Director Eminger asked if this is in addition to any that will be planted by Fish & Wildlife. Mr. Stephenson stated yes. He reported that the nutrient sampling will begin next week with Michael Anderson from the University of CA Riverside and most likely an alum treatment will follow.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR

Upon a motion by Director Eminger, seconded by Director Lewis, the following consent items were unanimously approved:

- Minutes of a Regular Meeting of March 6, 2014
- Warrant List dated March 11, 2014 for \$24,691.90

President Murphy announced that Item 6A, Big Bear Marina Dredge Project, will be discussed at the end of the meeting.

CONSIDER APPROVAL FOR STAFF TO SOLICIT BIDS FOR DAM STRUT PAINTING AND ROCK ABUTMENT ANCHORS

General Manager Scott Heule reported that MWH has completed the specifications and contract documents for two projects at the dam. He stated that one is painting of the steel struts and anchors on the buttresses and the other is rock anchors at the downstream dam abutments. He added that the engineer's estimates of probable costs for these projects were \$100,000 to \$170,000 and \$30,000 to \$60,000 respectively in 2012. He reported that the District's dam engineer Mike Rogers suggested that the District combine these two projects into a single contract in order to simplify contract management and possibly save money on mobilization. He explained that the revised painting contract does not require full containment during metal preparation, only capture of any debris generated during chipping, brushing or sand blasting operations to remove the old paint. He added that based on his recent conversation with MWH it appears that construction costs have increased significantly (30% or more, since that time). Mr. Heule reported that the FY 2013-14 Budget includes \$175,000 for strut painting and \$65,000 for rock bolting/anchoring. He added that MWH is presently performing a revised Engineers Estimate of Probable Cost but it is not available at this time and because the work must get done in response to directives from the Division of Safety of Dams, the Committee is recommending that the Board authorize Staff to solicit bids for the work. He reported that it is probable that by the time Staff receives the bids MWH will have their estimate completed. He added that any costs in excess of the budgeted amounts could be paid with undesignated Dam Repair Fund monies.

Director Smith moved approval for staff to solicit bids for Dam Strut Painting and Rock Abutment Anchors. Director Eminger seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF A SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT FOR FISHIN' FOR 50K TROUT DERBY TO BE HELD JUNE 7 & 8, 2014

Mr. Heule reported that the Fishin' for 50K event will be held at Big Bear Marina on the weekend of June 7 & 8. He explained that they anticipate up to 750 participants. He added that all conditions imposed as in 2013 will apply including the charge of \$500 or \$15/angler whichever is greater for purposes of the District purchasing fish for the lake. He explained that the Operations Committee recommends approval of the event with the following conditions:

- All boating participants will pay the established boat permit fees. The Resort Association of Big Bear Lake will sell Special Event daily boat permits through the tournament headquarters and will be responsible for any lost or missing permits.
- Game Fish Contest Permit from the State of California, Department of Fish and Game must be submitted to the District at least 30 days prior to the event.

- Payment of a minimum fee for fish purchases by the District or by spending the equivalent amount on a fish plant by the applicant after approval by the Lake Manager is required. The fee will be \$500 or \$15 per angler whichever is greater.

Director Smith moved approval of a special event permit for Fishin' for \$50K Trout Derby to be held June 7 & 8. Director Lewis seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF A SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT FOR BIG BEAR LAKE TRIATHLON TO BE HELD ON JUNE 28TH

Mr. Heule reported that the Big Bear Triathlon is scheduled for Saturday June 28. He added that this event will be staged at Swim Beach, Meadow Park and will include two swimming legs. He explained that the sprint distance swim will begin at Swim Beach, go around the jetty and end at new ski beach. He reported that this course will remain totally within the 5 mph buoy line. He added that the Olympic Distance swim will also begin at Swim Beach but it will travel inside the 5mph buoy line northwest past Owl Drive docks to just past Gilligan's place (about ¾ of the way up Eagle Point), then turn southwest to a turn that will probably be outside the buoy line and end at new ski beach. He stated that the swimming portion of event will occur between 8:30 AM and 10:00 AM. He explained that the applicants indicate they will have 2-3 private vessels to place race course buoy markers and assist in public safety during the event. He reported that the Operations Committee recommends that the Board approve this event subject to the same special conditions as last year with one addition. He explained that the event sponsors in addition to notifying Lakeside Village Mobil Home Park concerning the event they should also notify the Owl Drive Dock users so they can be advised concerning alteration to their navigation into and out of their docks. He explained that the Committee recommends approval of the event with the following conditions:

- The race course layout shall be approved by the Lake Operations Supervisor prior to the event.
- The race sponsors will notify dock owners at Lakeside Village Mobil Home Park and owl Drive Docks at least one week in advance of the event concerning the event and navigation routes that provide egress and ingress to their community dock system.
- A Lake Patrol Boat and Patrol Officer will be present to maintain a safe perimeter for swimmers during the race. The cost for this service will be deducted from the \$500 Special Event deposit in accordance with the most recent version of the District Fee Schedule.
- The race sponsors will provide two private vessels to place race course buoy markers and assist in public safety during the event.

Director Eminger moved approval of a special event permit for Big Bear Lake Triathlon to be held on June 28th. Director Lewis seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF A SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT FOR BIG BEAR PADDLEFEST TO BE HELD ON JULY 12TH

Mr. Heule reported that the 2014 PaddleFest event will be held at Meadow Park/Swim Beach on Saturday July 12th. He explained that three race activities will include a 5K paddle, a 10K paddle and a 20K paddle. He added that the 5K will be within the swim beach bay area and the 10K race will leave from the beach, east to Stanfield, then north and west to Meadows Edge picnic area and back, inside the 5 mph buoys. He stated that the 20K race will be a circumnavigation of the lake inside the 5mph buoys. He commented that special conditions will include those imposed in 2013 with the additional requirement that buoys placed to mark the race routes must be removed before sunset on the day of the event. He explained that the Committee recommends approval of the event with the following conditions:

- The organizers shall submit the \$100 non-refundable application fee and the \$500 refundable deposit. The District feels the event will require Lake Patrol and Lake Operations services and the \$500 deposit will be collected and whatever time is required for Lake Patrol and Lake Operations Services will be deducted from this deposit.
- Five escort boats to follow the main race group and one boat to follow stragglers equipped with water safety equipment and cell phone communication.
- All racers will be required to have proper California Department of Boating and Waterways safety carriage requirements in place prior to starting to race.
- All racers will check in at a designated inspection boat to assure that proper carriage requirements are on board each vessel prior to starting the race.
- All buoys placed to mark the race routes must be removed before sunset on the day of the event.
- The liability insurance requirements as noted in the Special Event Permit will apply.

Director Lewis moved approval of a special event permit for Big Bear PaddleFest 2014 to be held on July 12th. Director Smith seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF A SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT FOR BIG BEAR LAKE JAZZ TRA SUMMER MUSIC FESTIVAL TO BE HELD JUNE 21 & 22

Mr. Heule reported that the Jazz Trax special event is planned for the Marina Resort on June 21 and 22. He added that this year, with the lake level down, the applicants are proposing two options for staging. He explained that if the Lake level is high enough they propose to use the

fireworks barge for the stage as in past years and if the Lake level is too low they are requesting permission to place the portable City owned stage on dry Lake bottom instead. He reported that at this point in time it is too early to make a specific request for either option so they instead are asking that the Board approve the use of both and allow them to choose one or the other when it gets closer to the event (see attached). He explained that they are also asking permission to use a tractor to clean up the dry Lake bottom between the grassy area of Marina Resort down to the Lake and finally, as has been done in the past, they are requesting permission to install a temporary fence from the outside edge of their venue down onto Lake bottom all the way to the water line. Mr. Heule explained that he has discussed this application with the Lake Manager and he advises that clearing of debris from Lake bottom can be done with hand tools only (no tractor will be allowed) and he also advised that the portable stage could be installed and removed using a pickup truck. Mr. Heule stated that the Operations Committee recommends that the Board approve this special event with either the floating stage or portable stage. He added that if the floating stage is used this year all special conditions imposed in previous years should apply. He stated that they also recommend we approve installation and removal of the portable stage with a pickup truck only and any Lake bottom clean-up be completed only with hand tools. Additionally they recommend approval of the installation of a temporary fence from the outside edges of their event venue to the water level in the Lake. He explained that the Committee recommends approval of the event with the following conditions:

- The general public must be prevented from accessing the barge.
- If it will be used, boats must be prevented from tying up along the edge of the barge. The District will install a floating rope and red buoys on a perimeter to prevent boats from encroaching too close.
- The Operations Supervisor will provide direction for placement of lifesaving throwable devices and fire extinguishers on the barge.
- The District may require additional conditions based on actual conditions as the event is being staged.
- Lake Patrol and Maintenance may be needed to set up and prepare for the event but no Lake Patrol or monitoring duties will be needed following initial satisfactory inspection of the setup.
- The sponsors are prohibited from interfering with the safe navigation or Lake area surrounding the floating stage by the general public, and they cannot prevent the general public from anchoring outside of the floating buoy line placed in advance of the event by District Staff.
- If the portable stage is used nothing larger than a ½ ton pickup truck may be used to install and then remove the stage.

- Clean up of the Lake bottom area is permitted only with hand tools. No motorized equipment (tractors, backhoe) is permitted on Lake bottom.
- A temporary fence is permitted to be installed only at the outside edge of the event venue to the water line as shown on the schematic diagram submitted with the permit application.

Director Eminger moved approval of a special event permit for Big Bear Lake Jazz Trax to be held June 21 & 22. Director Lewis seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

DISCUSS AND PROVIDE DIRECTION FOR THE BIG BEAR MARINA DREDGE PROJECT

Mr. Heule made a PowerPoint presentation reporting that in order to capitalize on the present and potential near future low lake level condition the Lake Improvement Committee discussed the next steps for moving forward on the proposed Big Bear Marina dredge project. He added that because environmental documents and permitting are so time consuming the Committee would like the Board to discuss and provide direction to the General Manager concerning this project. He explained that the Lake Manager advised that for ease of future maintenance dredge projects the District should try to secure an MOU from the Corps of Engineers and Regional Water Quality Control Board like we have with Fish and Wildlife by including the necessary environmental work as part of a program EIR instead of just a single project EIR. He stated that when the District solicited bids for the Big Bear Marina Dredge CEQA work in 2010 it also contemplated other dredge work such as Stanfield Cutoff, Anderson Point, and Metcalf Bay etc. He explained that the complete Big Bear Marina dredge project construction cost estimate prepared in July 2009 was about \$650,000 for a dry excavation and \$1.1 million for a wet excavation. He added that it would probably require closure of the District RV Park and temporary relocation of Big Bear Marina facilities during the work. President Murphy asked how long the CEQA documents would be valid. Mr. Lemieux explained that they could be valid for many years. Director Smith stated that he feels it is important to proceed with the CEQA documents whether or not the Big Bear Marina dredge happens.

Mr. Larry Cooke, Big Bear Lake resident, addressed the Board with his concerns regarding the dredge project. He added that he feels there should be more than one plan and is disappointed that there were no other project designs. He commented on ice flows that go by the marina and could collect ice at the entrance. He feels the jetty is positioned incorrectly. He stated that one impact area that was not discussed is run-off.

Mr. Steve Fengler, Big Bear Marina owner, stated that he has concerns regarding the operation of his marina during the project. Mr. Heule stated that it may be premature to look at the project details at this time adding that this discussion is just to authorize the request for proposals process for the CEQA documents. He added that decisions regarding the design and work on the

dredge can be made at a later date. Director Smith commented that when we have the CEQA documents we can proceed with details of the project.

Director Lewis moved approval for staff to secure an MOU from the Corps of Engineers and Regional Water Quality Control Board for maintenance dredge projects including the necessary environmental work as part of a program EIR. Director Smith seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

PUBLIC FORUM

No comments were made

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Heule announced that our next Board Meeting will be April 3rd.

DIRECTOR COMMENTS

No comments were made

ADJOURNMENT TO CLOSED SESSION

The meeting was adjourned to Closed Session at 1:51 P.M under Government Code Section 54956.8 Conference with Real Property Negotiator, Scott Heule General Manager, concerning 440 Catalina, Big Bear Lake, California, APN #2328-202-15, #2328-202-08, #2328-291-27

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

The Board members present in person during the closed session, President Murphy and Directors Lewis, Eminger and Smith approved the "Purchase Proposal – Big Bear Trout Pond Property" drafted by the Inland Empire Resource Conservation District and the City of Big Bear Lake subject to receipt of contract documents that support the intent of the proposal.

Mr. Jim Hart, Valley Resident, expressed his many concerns regarding the trout pond purchase proposal.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:25 P.M.

NEXT MEETING

Open Session at 1:00 P.M.
Thursday, March 20, 2014
Big Bear Municipal Water District
40524 Lakeview Drive, Big Bear Lake, CA



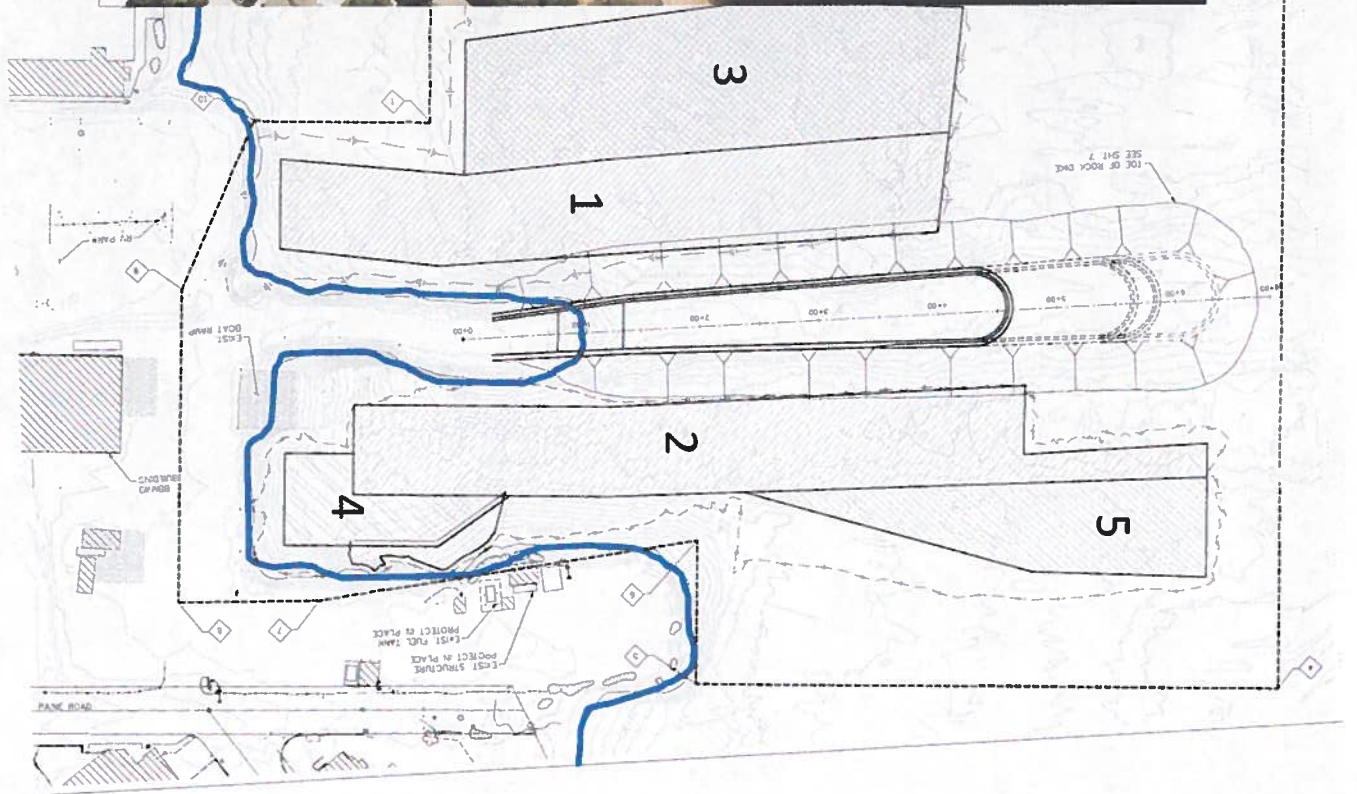
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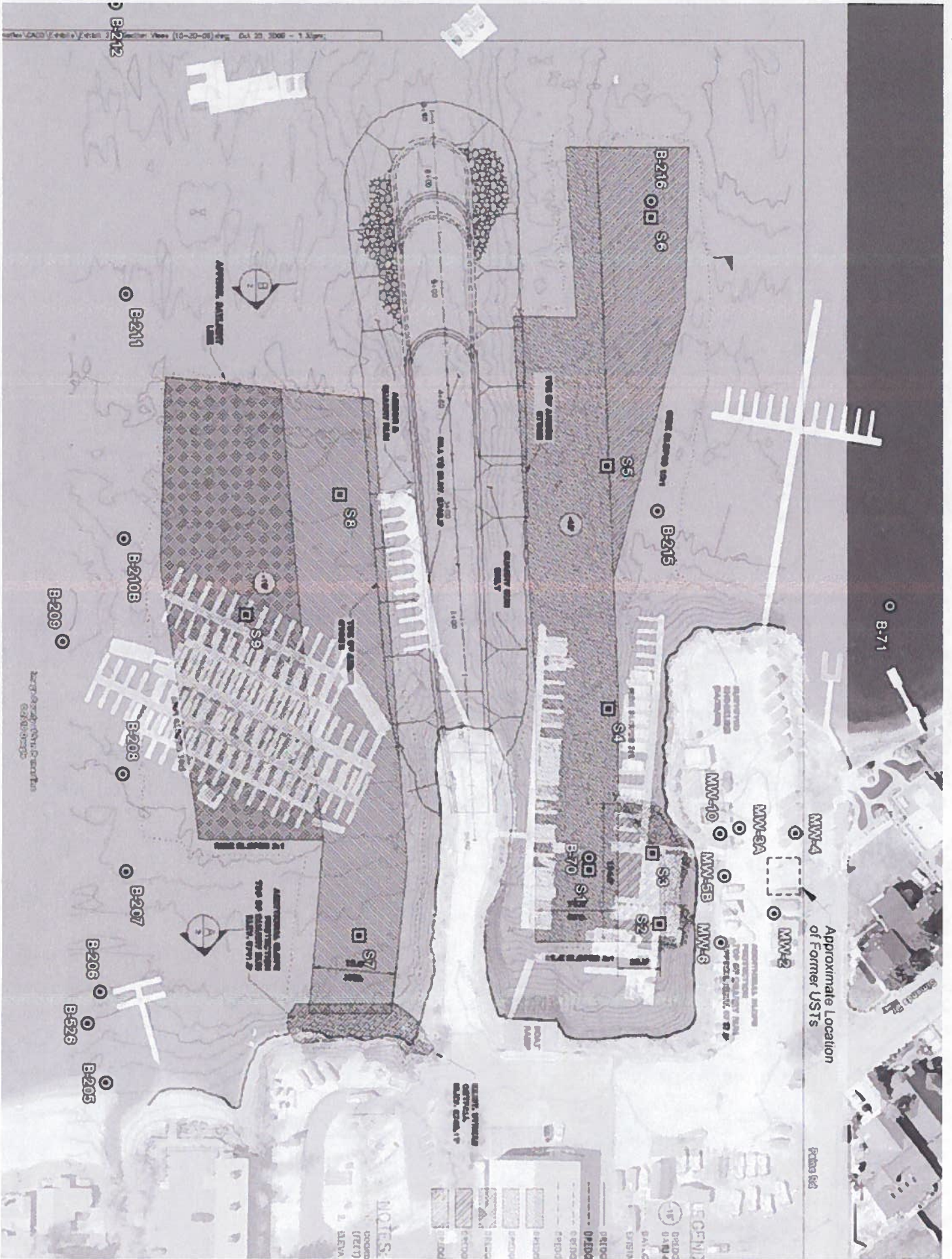
Secretary to the Board

Big Bear Municipal Water District

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Approximate Location of Former USTs

Petroleum Field

LEGEND

(Symbol)	MONITORING WELL
(Symbol)	SAMPLING POINT
(Symbol)	INDUSTRIAL BUILDING
(Symbol)	OFFICE BUILDING
(Symbol)	WAREHOUSE
(Symbol)	STORAGE TANK
(Symbol)	ROAD
(Symbol)	RAILROAD
(Symbol)	UTILITY LINE
(Symbol)	TOP OF GRADE
(Symbol)	CONTOUR

NOTES

1. ALL MONITORING WELLS AND SAMPLING POINTS ARE TO BE INSTALLED AT THE LOCATIONS SHOWN ON THIS PLAN.

2. THE DEPTH OF ALL MONITORING WELLS AND SAMPLING POINTS SHALL BE AS SHOWN ON THE PLAN.

3. THE LOCATION OF ALL MONITORING WELLS AND SAMPLING POINTS SHALL BE VERIFIED BY SURVEY.

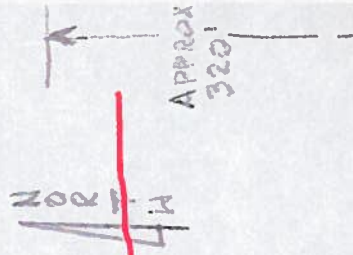
4. THE LOCATION OF ALL MONITORING WELLS AND SAMPLING POINTS SHALL BE RECHECKED AT THE END OF THE PROJECT.

Prepared by: [Name]

Date: [Date]



JAZZ TRAX AT THE
 MARINA RESORT
 40770 BIG BEAR BLVD BELLAKE
 APN 0308-151-32-P000
 PREPARED BY C. BREWSTER
 909 844-5337
 3-17-14 AM



16'x100' FLOATING STAGE (B)

24'x40 BEACH STAGE (A)

CLENNIE SMOOTH BEACH WITH TRACTOR

LAKESIDE VIP RES UMBRELLA TABLES

RESERVED SEATING CHAIRS LAWN GENERAL SEATING

REST ROOMS (5)

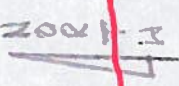
VIP TENT RESERVED SEATING BAR

EMERGENCY ACCESS GATE (A) REST ROOMS

4 SECURITY FENCE INTO LAKE

ADD'L PARKING IN BARTLETT LOT 600 FT SOUTH

(A) LOW LAKE LEVEL
 (B) BETTER LAKE LEVEL



APPROX 320'

POOL

MERCH AREA

VIP DECK RES. TABLES

FOOD

LOBBY

MARINA RESORT

VIP DIRT PARKING (40)

HOTEL PARKING (52)

NOTE: ADD'L (100) ROBINHOOD RESORT PARKING (ACROSS STREET)

EVENT SIGNAGE

FIRE HYDRANT

BIG BEAR BLVD

FIRE HYDRANT APPROX 400 FT

