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Transparency Certificate of Excellence Awarded to Big Bear Area Regional Wastewater Agency

Big Bear Area Regional Wastewater Agency received the District Transparency Certificate of Excellence by the Special District Leadership Foundation (SDLF) in recognition of its outstanding efforts to promote transparency and good governance.

"This award is a testament to Big Bear Area Regional Wastewater Agency's commitment to open government," said, David Lawrence, General Manager. "Our staff is to be commended for their contributions that empower the public with information and facilitate engagement and oversight." To receive the award Big Bear Area Regional Wastewater Agency demonstrated the completion of essential governance transparency requirements, including conducting ethics training for all board members, properly conducting open and public meetings, and filing financial transactions and compensation reports to the State Controller in a timely manner.

SDLF is an independent, non-profit organization formed to promote good governance and best practices among California's special districts through certification, accreditation, and other recognition programs.

Special districts are independent public agencies that deliver core local services to communities, such as Utility, wastewater treatment, fire protection, parks and recreation, healthcare, sanitation, mosquito abatement, ports, libraries, public cemeteries and more. Districts are established by voters and their funding is approved by voters to meet specific needs through focused service. They can be specially molded to serve large regions or small neighborhoods depending on the need.