



# BIGHORN-DESERT VIEW WATER AGENCY

*Our Mission - "To provide a high quality supply of water and reliable service to all customers at a fair and reasonable rate."*

## **Planning, Legislative, Engineering, Grant, and Security Committee SPECIAL Meeting Agenda**

**Committee Members: Director Close-Dees & Director Aldridge**

**Alternate: Jose R. Martinez**

**BOARD MEETING OFFICE  
1720 N. CHEROKEE TRAIL  
LANDERS, CALIFORNIA 92285**

**June 23, 2026  
Time – 4:00 PM**

### **CALL TO ORDER**

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

### **ROLL CALL**

### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**Discussion and Action Items** - The Committee Directors and Staff will discuss the following items, and the Committee will consider taking action, if so inclined.

The Public is invited to comment on any item on the agenda during discussion of that item. When giving your public comment, please have your information prepared. If you wish to be identified for the record, then please state your name. Due to time constraints, each member of the public will be allotted three minutes to provide their public comment.

- 1. Cross-Connection Control Plan**
- 2. Capital Projects Update**
- 3. On-Call Contractor Services**
- 4. Geographic Information System GIS**
- 5. Consent Items** – The following items are expected to be routine and non-controversial and will be acted on by the Committee at one time without discussion, unless a member of the public or member of the Committee requests that the item be held for discussion or further action.

- a. PLEGS Committee Meeting Minutes, February 18, 2025.**

## 6. Public Comment Period

Any person may address the Committee on any matter within the Agency's jurisdiction on items not appearing on this agenda. When giving your public comment, please have your information prepared. If you wish to be identified for the record, then please state your name. Due to time constraints, each member of the public will be allotted three minutes to provide their public comment. State Law prohibits the Committee from discussing or taking action on items not included on the agenda.

## 7. Verbal Reports - Including Reports on Courses/Conferences/Meetings

1. Committee Members' Comments/Reports
2. General Manager's Report
3. Assistant General Managers Report

## 8. Adjournment

In accordance with the requirements of California Government Code Section 54954.2, this agenda has been posted in the main lobby of the Bighorn-Desert View Water Agency, 622 S. Jemez Trail, Yucca Valley, CA not less than 72 hours if prior to a Regular meeting, date and time above; or in accordance with California Government Code Section 54956 this agenda has been posted not less than 24 hours if prior to a Special meeting, date and time above. As a general rule, agenda reports or other written documentation have been prepared or organized with respect to each item of business listed on the agenda.

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## **BIGHORN-DESERT VIEW WATER AGENCY STANDING COMMITTEE PLANNING/LEGISLATIVE/ENGINEERING/GRANTS/SECURITY**

**Meeting Date:** June 23, 2026

**To:** PLEGS Committee Members

**From:** Jennifer Cusack

**Subject:** Adoption of Cross-Connection Control Program (CCCP)

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### **RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends that the PLEGS Committee review the Agency's Cross-Connection Control Program (CCCP) and the associated Resolution to ensure compliance with California regulations and protect the public water supply, and move it forward to the Board of Directors for adoption.

### **BACKGROUND**

The State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB), Division of Drinking Water (DDW), requires all public water systems to develop and implement an effective Cross-Connection Control Program pursuant to:

- California Code of Regulations, Title 17, Sections 7583–7605
- SWRCB Cross-Connection Control Policy Handbook (latest edition)

A cross-connection is any unapproved or unprotected connection between a potable water system and a non-potable source that could allow contaminants to enter the drinking water system.

To mitigate this risk, water suppliers must:

- Conduct cross-connection surveys
- Require installation of approved backflow prevention assemblies
- Ensure testing, maintenance, and enforcement
- Maintain records and reporting processes

### **DISCUSSION**

The proposed CCCP formalizes the Agency's procedures for:

- Identifying and eliminating cross-connections
- Requiring appropriate backflow protection based on hazard level
- Establishing enforcement procedures for non-compliance
- Maintaining records and reporting to the SWRCB
- Protecting public health and system integrity

Key components include:

- Hazard classification criteria (low vs. high hazard)
- Approved backflow devices (e.g., RP, DC assemblies)

- Annual testing requirements by certified testers
- Customer notification and enforcement protocols
- Staff roles and program administration
- Implementation of the CCCP ensures:
  - Regulatory compliance
  - Reduced risk of contamination events
  - Standardized inspection and enforcement procedures
  - Improved accountability and documentation

#### **FISCAL IMPACT**

Costs associated with implementing the CCCP may include:

- Staff time for surveys and administration
- Training and certification
- Data tracking systems
- Public outreach

These costs can be offset through:

- Backflow program fees
- Inspection/testing fees (if adopted)

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW**

The adoption of the CCCP is not a project under CEQA pursuant to Section 15060(c)(2), as it constitutes administrative and organizational activities that will not result in a direct or indirect physical environmental impact.

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

Cross-Connection Control Program Document  
Draft Resolution No. 26R-XX

**RESOLUTION NO. 26R-XX**  
**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**  
**OF THE BIGHORN-DESERT VIEW WATER AGENCY**  
**ADOPTING A CROSS-CONNECTION CONTROL PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, the Bighorn-Desert View Water Agency (Agency) is a public water system subject to the requirements of the California Safe Drinking Water Act; and

WHEREAS, Title 17 of the California Code of Regulations requires all public water systems to establish and maintain an effective Cross-Connection Control Program; and

WHEREAS, cross-connections pose a significant risk to public health by potentially allowing contaminants to enter the potable water system; and

WHEREAS, the State Water Resources Control Board requires implementation of policies, procedures, and enforcement mechanisms to control cross-connections; and

WHEREAS, Agency staff has developed a Cross-Connection Control Program (CCCP) consistent with state regulations and guidance;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of the Bighorn-Desert View Water Agency hereby:

- Adopts the Cross-Connection Control Program (CCCP) as presented.
- Authorizes the General Manager, or designee, to implement and administer the CCCP.
- Directs staff to enforce all provisions of the CCCP, including required installation, testing, and maintenance of backflow prevention assemblies.
- Authorizes the development of administrative procedures, forms, and fees as necessary to support the program.
- Directs staff to maintain compliance records and submit reports as required by the State Water Resources Control Board.
- Authorizes periodic updates to the CCCP to remain consistent with changes in state regulations, subject to Board review as necessary.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED this \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2026, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

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President of the Board

ATTEST:

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Secretary of the Board



# Cross-Connection Control Plan Bighorn-Desert View Water Agency

PENDING ADOPTION  
by the Board of Directors  
JULY 14, 2026

Resolution No. 26R-XX  
Effective Date: August 1, 2026



Public Water System (PWS) Information	
System Name:	Bighorn-Desert View Water Agency
<b>Water System Number:</b>	<b>CA3610009</b>
System Type:	Community Water System
Physical Location:	622 Jemez Trail, Yucca Valley, CA 29984
Division of Drinking Water District:	District 27 – Mojave
Service Connections (1/1/2025):	Residential: 2,330   Commercial: 18
Governing Body:	Board of Directors
Primary Contact:	Carl Otteson, Cross-Connection Control Specialist CA-NV Certificate No. 10525 Jennifer Cusack, Cross-Connection Control Coordinator

## **Introduction**

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This document is submitted to demonstrate the Agency's regulatory compliance, operational readiness, and legal authority to enforce cross-connection control measures across its service area. The contents of this plan demonstrate BDVWA's commitment to regulatory compliance and the protection of public health through the implementation of a documented Cross-Connection Control Program that meets or exceeds all applicable standards outlined in the CCCPH.

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## **Legal Authority**

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Connection Control and Hydraulic Research may be installed. Any assembly that does not meet these requirements or is not installed in accordance with Agency standards will be classified as noncompliant and must be replaced at the property owner's expense.

Any deviation from the Agency's requirement to install an RP or RPDA or AG must receive prior written approval from the Agency and will be evaluated based on the degree of hazard associated with the specific service connection. Additionally, all fire protection systems must comply with backflow protection requirements, as outlined in Article 8.0, Fire Sprinkler Systems.

### **Installation, Testing, and Maintenance**

The installation, testing, and maintenance of backflow prevention assemblies (BPAs) within the Bighorn-Desert View Water Agency are conducted in accordance with Sections 3.3.2 and 3.3.3 of the Cross-Connection Control Policy Handbook (CCCPH), as well as Article 7.0 of the Agency's Rules & Regulations. All BPAs must be installed above ground in an accessible location, in full compliance with CCCPH Section 3.3.2, the California Plumbing Code, manufacturer specifications, and BDVWA standard drawings. Field testing is required upon installation and must be repeated at least annually to verify continued functionality. Air gap (AG) separations must be installed in accordance with CCCPH Section 3.3.2(a) and are subject to annual visual inspection. BDVWA owns a limited number of non-testable devices (e.g., blow-off assemblies). These devices will be visually inspected at least annually.

Any device that fails a field test must be repaired or replaced within 30 days of notification. If a backflow hazard presents an immediate threat to public health, the Agency may suspend water service without prior notice until the hazard has been corrected, and compliance is verified.

### **Tester and Specialist Requirements**

All backflow prevention assembly testers (BPATs) operating within Bighorn-Desert View Agency must meet the requirements specified in Article 7.0 of the Agency's Rules & Regulations. Testers must be certified by an organization recognized by the State Water Resources Control Board. Tester credentials and field test reports are submitted to BDVWA data integrity, and regulatory compliance. Testers are also required to submit annual gauge calibration reports to BDVWA to ensure the accuracy and reliability of test results.

BDVWA expects certified testers will comply with interim State Water Board requirements.

Beginning July 1, 2027, only testers certified by ANSI-accredited organizations under ISO/IEC 17024 will be accepted; at present, only the AWWA California-Nevada Section meets this standard.

Cross-Connection Control Specialists must also meet the qualifications outlined in CCCPH Section 3.4.2, ensuring that program oversight is conducted by fully certified personnel.

### **Recordkeeping and Data Management**

Bighorn-Desert View Water Agency (BDVWA/Agency) maintains comprehensive records to ensure full compliance with CCCPH and Article 7.0 of its Rules & Regulations for Water Service. For each service connection, the Agency retains the two most recent hazard assessments, an up-to-date inventory of installed backflow prevention assemblies (including device type, location, model, serial number, and installation date), and a minimum of three years of testing and repair history. Additional documentation includes air-gap as-built plans, public outreach materials, backflow incident reports, and current service contracts. Records are stored in both hardcopy and digital formats on the customer's utility billing account. All records are readily accessible and available to the State Water Resources Control Board upon request.

### **Backflow Incident Response**

In the event of a known or suspected backflow incident, Bighorn-Desert View Water Agency (BDVWA/Agency) will respond immediately in accordance with CCCPH Section 3.5.2 and 3.5.3. Noting that the current Ordinance requires amendment to include written response guidelines. The incident will be promptly investigated to determine the source and extent of the hazard, and if a threat to public health is confirmed or suspected, the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) is notified within 24 hours. Should the SWB direct the Agency to issue a Tier 1 public notification, BDVWA will do so in accordance with California Code of Regulations, Title 22, Section 64463.1, using appropriate communication channels to ensure timely public awareness. Following the initial response, BDVWA submits a detailed incident report, including corrective actions taken, water quality monitoring results (if applicable), and procedural changes to prevent recurrence.

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as local fire departments, San Bernardino County health officials, and municipal building and permitting departments to ensure consistent application of cross-connection control policies and prompt identification of potential hazards.

### **Enforcement**

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### **Plan Maintenance**

In accordance with CCCPH Section 3.1.4(d), Bighorn-Desert View Water Agency (BDVWA/Agency) must always adhere to its Cross-Connection Control Plan (CCCP) accurately. BDVWA will conduct a review of its Cross-Connection Control Rules & Regulations at least once per year to assess program effectiveness, regulatory compliance, and operational needs. Revisions will be made as necessary to incorporate changes in State policy, Agency operations, or any identified deficiencies.

Any substantive updates to the CCCP will be submitted to the State Water Resources Control Board for review, as required. This document has been developed and submitted in full compliance with the Cross-Connection Control Policy Handbook (March 2025) and the governing policies of Bighorn-Desert View Water Agency. The CCCP includes all Rules & Regulations adopted by the Agency that pertain to Cross-Connection Control and shall serve as the comprehensive, enforceable framework for program implementation.

**Certification Statement**

I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the information provided in this Cross-Connection Control Plan is true and correct to the best of my knowledge, and that this plan has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Cross-Connection Control Policy Handbook and the Bighorn-Desert View Water Agency Rules & Regulations for Water Service (current version Ordinance No. 210-02).

Executed on this 29 day of June, 2025, at Yucca Valley, California.

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**Carl Otteson**  
Cross-Connection Control Specialist

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**Jennifer Cusack**  
General Manager  
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FINAL DRAFT for SWRCB SUBMISSION



# Cross-Connection Control Plan Improvement District Goat Mountain

PENDING ADOPTION  
by the Board of Directors  
JULY 14, 2026

Resolution No. 26R-XX  
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#### **Plan Maintenance**

In accordance with CCCPH Section 3.1.4(d), Bighorn-Desert View Water Agency (BDVWA/Agency) must always adhere to its Cross-Connection Control Plan (CCCP) accurately. BDVWA will conduct a review of its Cross-Connection Control Rules & Regulations at least once per year to assess program effectiveness, regulatory compliance, and operational needs. Revisions will be made as necessary to incorporate changes in State policy, Agency operations, or any identified deficiencies.

Any substantive updates to the CCCP will be submitted to the State Water Resources Control Board for review, as required. This document has been developed and submitted in full compliance with the Cross-Connection Control Policy Handbook (March 2025) and the governing policies of Bighorn-Desert View Water Agency. The CCCP includes all Rules & Regulations adopted by the Agency that pertain to Cross-Connection Control and shall serve as the comprehensive, enforceable framework for program implementation.

**Certification Statement**

I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the information provided in this Cross-Connection Control Plan is true and correct to the best of my knowledge, and that this plan has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Cross-Connection Control Policy Handbook and the Bighorn-Desert View Water Agency Rules & Regulations for Water Service (current version Ordinance No. 210-02).

Executed on this 29 day of June, 2025, at Yucca Valley, California.



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**Carl Otteson**  
Cross-Connection Control Specialist  
Manager

**Jennifer Cusack**  
General

Bighorn-Desert View Water Agency



## BIGHORN-DESERT VIEW WATER AGENCY

*Our Mission - "To provide a high quality supply of water and reliable service to all customers at a fair and reasonable rate."*

### Planning/Legislative/Engineering/Grant/Security

### Committee Meeting Minutes

Committee Members: Director Chapman & Director Close-Dees

**BOARD MEETING OFFICE**  
**1720 N. CHEROKEE TRAIL**  
**LANDERS, CALIFORNIA 92285**

**February 18, 2025**  
**Time – 3:00 PM**

#### CALL TO ORDER

Director Chapman called meeting to order at 3:00 pm.

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by Dir. Chapman.

#### ROLL CALL

Directors present: Megan Close  
David Chapman

Staff present: Marina West  
Daniel Best

Public Present: Following Roll Call, 0 member(s) of the public indicated they were participating via teleconference. 2 members of the public were present in the meeting room. Director Aldridge and Director McKenzie were present as observers only.

#### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Director Chapman made moved to approve agenda as presented Director Close seconded

#### 1. Status Report Water Meter Replacement Program (Drought Grant)

GM West updated the committee on the meter exchange program and current completion percentage is about 58% or 604 meter installed. They are holding \$50,000.00 in retention held until the project is completed.

#### 2. Status Report Goat Mountain Replacement Well (Prop. 1/ Rnd. 1 Grant)

GM West updated the committee on the soil assessment plan and are awaiting final report. We read and approved the draft report and it appears there is no need to remediate any soil.

#### 3. Status Report System Interconnection at Winters & Rainbow Road (Prop. 1/Rnd. 2 Grant)

GM West updated the committee on the project including locating and surveying of the connection point with Hi-Desert Water district. We are awaiting change order from engineering to finalize pump station design.

**4. Status Report Potable Water Systems Improvements Consolidation of Water Systems (\$11M PI/C Project Grant)**

GM West updated the committee on the project. The Agency has received \$146,500 over the 7 quarters and all invoices have been paid within the next quarter. Monthly meetings with relevant staff and drinking water district engineer. GM West updated the committee on the critical path elements including Caltrans encroachment permit across the highway 247 which has been initiated with Monument, pursuing easements for pipeline alignment, and Western Joshua Tree census.

**5. Consent Items –**

**a. PLEGS Committee Meeting Minutes, December 17, 2024.**

Director Chapman moved and Director Close seconded with minor corrections.

**6. Public Comment Period**

**7. Verbal Reports - Including Reports on Courses/Conferences/Meetings**

1. Committee Members' Comments/Reports – None.
2. General Manager's Report – None.
3. Assistant General Managers Report – None.

**8. Adjournment**

Chair Close adjourned the meeting at 3:44pm.

Approved by:

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Megan Close-Dees, Committee Chair

**Official Seal**