

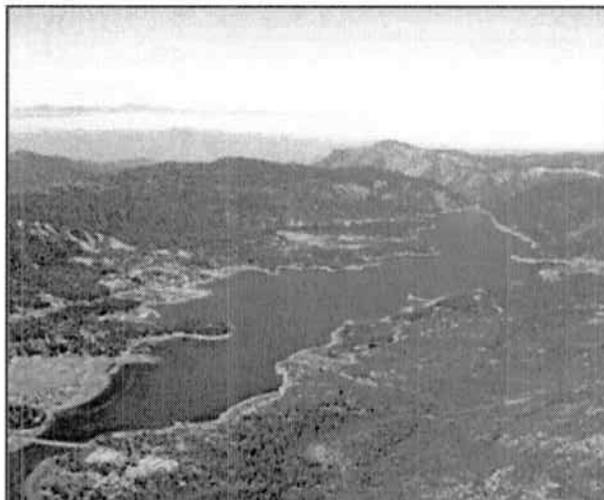
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# Big Bear Municipal Water District



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## *WHO WE ARE*

The Big Bear Municipal Water District is an independent special district of the State of California, responsible for the overall management of Big Bear Lake, Southern California's premier recreational Lake.

## *WHAT WE DO*

- Stabilization of the level of Big Bear Lake by managing the amount of water released to the downstream water rights holder
- Watershed/Water Quality Management
- Recreation Management
- Wildlife Habitat Preservation and Enhancement
- Bear Valley Dam and Reservoir Maintenance

The primary goal of the MWD is the stabilization of Big Bear Lake at as constant a water level as possible, given the availability of water and financing. A more constant lake level increases recreational opportunities, stabilizes property values, improves water quality, aesthetic benefits and supports a healthier fish and wildlife environment.

The mission of Lake Stabilization is accomplished through the implementation of a comprehensive water management plan which includes controlled lake releases combined with a water purchase contract to provide water to the water rights holder while minimizing demand on the reservoir.

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**Fishing Tournaments**

MWD/Western Outdoor News "October Troutfest 2006"  
Annual Carp Roundup  
May Trout Classic

**Job Opportunities**

Big Bear Municipal Water District  
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40524 Lakeview Dr.  
Big Bear Lake, CA 92315

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Fax (909) 866-6485  
E-Mail [bbmwd@bbmwd.org](mailto:bbmwd@bbmwd.org)

**General Manager - Sheila Hamilton**  
**Lake Manager - Mike Stephenson**  
**Lake Operations Supervisor - Joe Schuber**

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# 2006 Carp Round-up ENTRY FORM

## Big Bear Lake's 3rd Annual "Carp Round-up"

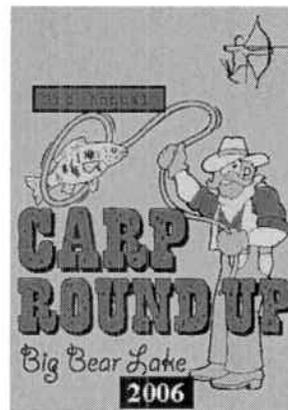


Sponsored by: Big Bear Municipal Water District

**NEW FORMAT!**  
**TWO DAY EVENT - TWO MAN TEAMS**

**DATE:** June 10 & 11, 2006  
**HUNTING TIME:** Sat 7am - 4pm / Sun 7am - 2pm  
**AWARDS:** 2pm - 5pm Sunday  
**REGISTRATION:** mail or at check-in  
(if mailed, must be received by June 2nd)

**CHECK-IN/WEIGH STATION/AWARDS:**  
Big Bear Municipal Water District -  
40524 Lakeview Dr.  
Big Bear Lake, CA 92315  
(corner of Lakeview Dr. & Paine Rd.)



**Entry fee - \$40.00 per person**  
Includes entry, T-shirt, raffle ticket, mesh fish bag  
and hot dog lunch at awards ceremony

**Team Prizes awarded on total weight of all fish weighed for two days!**  
Prizes are as follows:



Team prizes

1st Place Team - \$1,200.00  
2nd Place Team - \$750.00  
3rd Place Team - \$500.00



Biggest fish (by weight) each day - \$200.00



Contact Information - Mike Stephenson (909) 866-5796

Registration forms available on line at [www.bbmwd.org](http://www.bbmwd.org)

Forms are to be mailed to BBMWD, P.O. Box 2863, Big Bear Lake, CA 92315

On June 5, 2004, archers from all over California combed the shores of Big Bear Lake in pursuit of the prolific carp and the possibility of winning a cash prize. The 1<sup>st</sup> annual "Carp Round-up" was sponsored by the Big Bear Municipal Water District (MWD) in order to reduce the exploding carp population in the Lake, and to give California archers a chance to hunt the Lake in a controlled atmosphere. The enthusiasm was overwhelming and the participation was outstanding for a first year event.

Carp pose a threat to the ecological balance of Big Bear Lake causing turbidity, (muddy water) and depleting food sources for the more desirable species of game and feeder fish. Around the country,

carp have become a menace in many lakes, streams and rivers. The means of control vary from poisoning, electro fishing or even killing off an entire lake fishery and starting from scratch to establish a new fishery. The MWD doesn't favor any of these methods and chose to try a reasonable alternative to those extreme and costly methods.

The first tournament hosted almost 100 entrants and harvested about 4,000 lbs. of unwanted carp from the waters of Big Bear Lake. Each entrant received a "First Annual Carp Round-up" T-shirt (hunter orange of course), a fish bag for their catch and a complimentary hot dog lunch. Numerous raffle prizes were also awarded. First prize for the 2004 event was \$585.00, second prize was \$351.00 and third prize, as well as heaviest individual carp, was \$117.00. All of the fish that were removed from the lake were utilized, some for fertilizer and others for table fare. Some folks boast about how good carp is when it is smoked.

The Second Annual Carp Round-up was held June 4, 2005 and was even more successful than the first. After only two years, this popular bow event has resulted in the removal of more than 8,000 lbs of carp from Big Bear Lake. Applications will be available on the website in the near future. The 2005 event details were as follows:

**1st Prize - \$750**

**2nd Prize - \$500**

**3rd Prize - \$250**

**Based on total lbs. caught**

**Biggest fish by weight - \$250**

**ENTRY FEE: \$40.00**

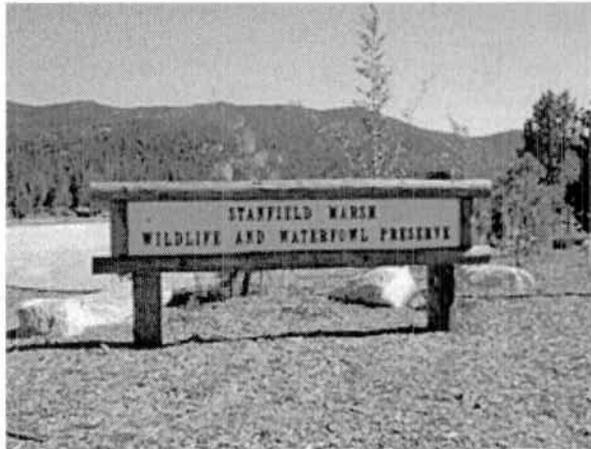


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# Stanfield Marsh

## WILDLIFE AND WATERFOWL HABITAT IMPROVEMENT PROJECT



## PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The Municipal Water District designated the 145 acre Stanfield Marsh as a wildlife preserve in 1982. The Marsh is located at the east end of Big Bear Lake and is separated from the main body of the Lake by the Stanfield Cutoff highway bridge. The water flows back and forth between the two bodies of water through the permeable structure under the bridge and three culvert pipes.

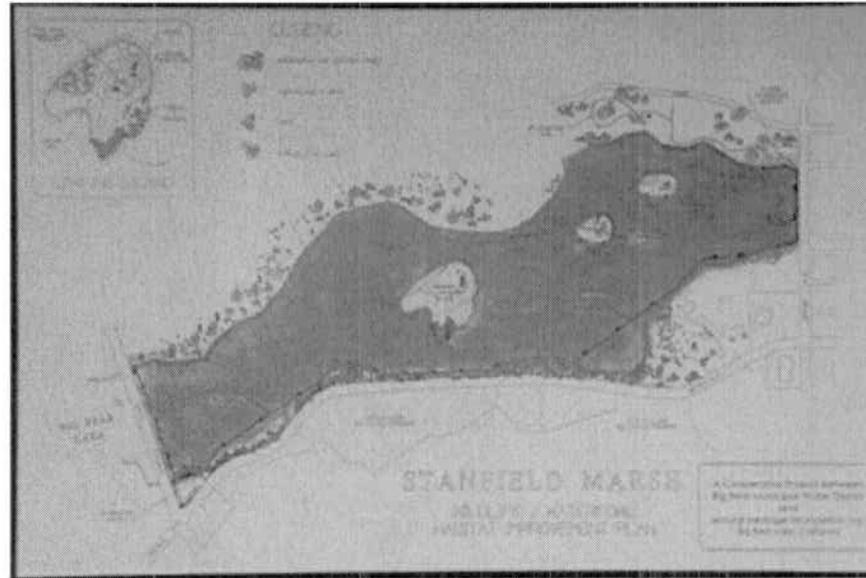


Stanfield Cutoff

The Stanfield Marsh is one of the most amenable sites in the Valley for ecological enhancement, sensitive land acquisition, education, recreation and scenic beauty. Consequently, in 1993, a joint project with the Natural Heritage Foundation Inc. was approved in which very specific objectives were established for Marsh improvements. The adopted wetlands enhancement project has the goal of restoring some of the wetlands functions and values while enhancing existing functions and

uses.

The beneficiaries of the project will be aquatic species, wetland species, wildlife to include wintering and breeding waterfowl, wintering bald eagles, osprey and summer resident and potentially nesting pelicans. The project includes monitoring programs, the creation of permanently dry loafing islands, along with a wetland interpretation program. Because the Marsh is subject to extreme variations in water levels and during dry cycles is devoid of water, dredging to create permanently wet basins is needed to protect the wildlife in the area during those cycles.



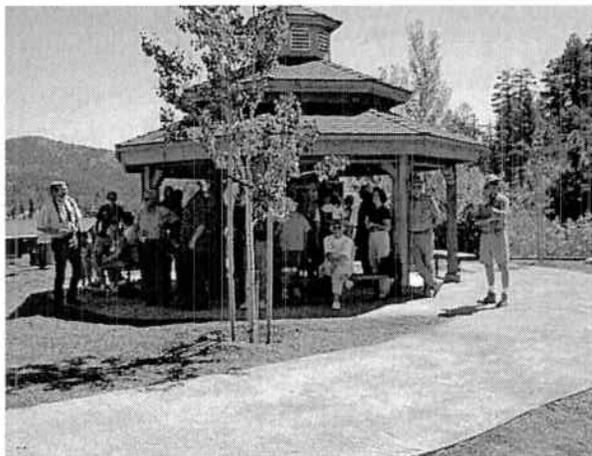
Artist Rendering of the Proposed Project

It is anticipated that it may take many years to complete the overall project because of the need to locate sufficient funding sources. To date, three separate grants have been awarded and construction of two sections of a raised pedestrian walkway have been completed. This walkway serves manifold purposes, to include restricting pedestrian activity on and around the existing highway, as well as providing cover for nesting waterfowl.



The first portion (900' long) of the raised pedestrian walkway.

Acquisition of surrounding property is a major goal of the project. The property located at the southwest corner of the Marsh was purchased in 1997 and now serves as a parking and viewing area, containing an information kiosk and providing pedestrian access to the raised walkway. The kiosk, shown in photos below, contains various displays depicting marsh wildlife, waterfowl and plant life.



Informational Kiosk



In 2003, the District completed construction of a predator-free habitat island by reconfiguring the old sewage evaporation pond dikes. District staff and youngsters from the local elementary schools help with the planting of more than 40,000 indigenous plants to provide nesting habitat (picture below). The island is surrounded by a moat to ensure there is water in the marsh more often than under pre-existing conditions.



As stated, the total project may take many years to complete, but the Big Bear Municipal Water District is committed to achieving all of the goals established for the marsh project. The ongoing preservation of the Stanfield Marsh Wildlife and Waterfowl Habitat will serve as a constant reminder of the delicate balance between man and nature and the need to preserve this wetland habitat for future generations.

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