



BEAR VALLEY RESIDENTS

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Greetings!,

BVRI as the community voice would like to have started out the year writing about our communal spirit and sense of community but unfortunately we have again a situation where people feel that rules don't apply to them.

Over the last few years we have had several violations concerning our dumpsters. Some of the issues could be related to people out of the area using our dumpsters to dispose of garbage, construction materials and oversized household goods. This could also be said of our community members who choose to ignore the signage of what items are permissible.

Over the holiday weekend we had another violation. Before the holiday weekend all the dumpsters were empty. After the week-end we had 2 mattresses dumped on the ground, as well as stereo speakers, garbage bags and recycling. Someone also filled up the big dumpsters with used home cabinets enclosed in cardboard. Tim Johnson, our local building maintenance employee had to drive a 160 miles roundtrip to Milton to deposit the items not allowed in the dumpsters. That is not his job. It is our job. The fine for littering is up to \$1,000. Please don't jeopardize our ability to have community dumpsters. Cal Waste will deliver debris boxes to you. You can call them at 209-795-1532. This is in addition to our annual big garbage pick-up we have during the summer. Possible remedies are increasing fines and surveillance, installing cameras and encouraging people to take pictures of people violating the rules and sending them to the sheriff's station. We all are interested in making Bear Valley a warm and inclusive community. Please know that one person's misdeed can affect everyone. Thank you

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