

Share Your Thoughts at a Public Participation Hearing

Regarding: Bear Valley Electric Service, Inc. (Bear Valley) 2027 General Rate Case Application to the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) A.26-01-022

October 13, 2026 – 1 p.m. – By Phone: 1-800-857-1917, Passcode: 1673482#, *1 to make a comment. View and Listen-Only Webcast: adminmonitor.com/ca/cpuc

October 27, 2026 – 2:00 p.m. and 6 p.m. – City of Big Bear Lake City Hall, 39707 Big Bear Boulevard, Big Bear Lake, CA 92315

This event is an opportunity for you to share your thoughts regarding this application with an administrative law judge overseeing the proceeding. **A quorum of commissioners may attend but no decisions will be made at this hearing.**

What is Being Requested?

Bear Valley is requesting an increase in revenue of \$24.41 million (31.89%) for 2027-2030 from present rate revenues¹. A significant portion of this increase is for investments and improvements to increase public safety from the threat of wildfires and to increase service reliability, including costs related to the covered conductor replacement² and evacuation route hardening³ projects, vegetation management⁴, switch and field device automation⁵, and substation and grid upgrades⁶. This request will be phased in over the years of the application.

Requested Rate Increase Table per Customer Class, 2027-2030

Rate Schedules	2026 Current	2027 Rate Increase		2028 Rate Increase		2029 Rate Increase		2030 Rate Increase		2027-2030 Overall Rate Increase	
	(\$/ kWh)	(\$/ kWh)	(%)	(\$/ kWh)	(%)	(\$/ kWh)	(%)	(\$/ kWh)	(%)	(\$/ kWh)	(%)
Residential	\$ 0.483	\$ 0.076	15.8%	\$ 0.026	4.7%	\$ 0.027	4.6%	\$ 0.046	7.5%	\$ 0.175	36.3%
Commercial	\$ 0.467	\$ 0.063	13.4%	\$ 0.022	4.1%	\$ 0.023	4.2%	\$ 0.042	7.3%	\$ 0.150	32.1%
Industrial	\$ 0.290	\$ 0.032	10.9%	\$ 0.012	3.8%	\$ 0.010	3.1%	\$ 0.025	7.4%	\$ 0.080	27.4%
Street Lighting	\$ 0.709	\$ 0.205	28.9%	\$ 0.044	4.8%	\$ 0.049	5.1%	\$ 0.069	6.9%	\$ 0.367	51.7%
Total	\$ 0.448	\$ 0.066	14.8%	\$ 0.023	4.5%	\$ 0.024	4.4%	\$ 0.042	7.5%	\$ 0.155	34.6%

¹ Present rate revenues (i.e., 2026 rates at projected year-end values) include approximately \$5.1 million of revenues estimated to be recovered via advice letter filings in 2026 related to capital projects approved in D.25-01-007 and the solar and battery project approved in D.25-12-024.

² Replace 60 circuit miles (15 circuit miles/year) of bare conductors with covered conductors in wildfire and Public Safety Power Shutoff (PSPS) high risk areas.

³ Makes facilities along evacuation routes more fire-resistant and better protects the mobility of First Responders to move assets in and out of the wildfire areas.

⁴ Preventative, corrective, and emergency vegetation clearance and management to reduce the risk of vegetation growing too closely to power lines before it becomes a fire risk.

⁵ Establishes communications network across the sub-transmission and distribution systems that allows Bear Valley to remotely and rapidly de-energize sections of circuits when the circuit is determined to be at high risk of causing an ignition.

⁶ Upgrades equipment, replaces aging substation equipment, grid direct bury lines, and transformers, and provides for mobile generation to mitigate impacts of PSPS, as well as emergency generation during disaster response.

How Would This Impact the Average Residential Customer?

If the requested amount is approved, the average residential customer using 404.58 kWh per month would see a rate increase of approximately \$17.21 per month in 2027 compared to 2026. The actual impact will vary based on usage, baseline territory, whether customers qualifies for CARE discount, and other factors.

Additional Information

You can read more about the utility's request and make public comment by visiting apps.cpuc.ca.gov/c/A2601022.

If you need language interpretation or other reasonable accommodations, please contact the Public Advisor's Office at least five days in advance of the hearing. For questions about participating in CPUC matters, you can contact the Public Advisor's Office at Public.Advisor@cpuc.ca.gov, 1-866-849-8390, or 505 Van Ness Ave., San Francisco, CA 94102.

Please reference A.26-01-022 in any communication with the CPUC.

Questions About the Request

For questions about this application, please contact Bear Valley at CustomerService@bvesinc.com, 1-800-808-2837 (toll-free) or 1-877-933-9533 (toll-free) TTY, or 630 E. Foothill Blvd., San Dimas, CA 91773. A copy of the application and any related documents may also be reviewed at <https://www.bvesinc.com/customer-service/rates-regulations/cpuc-applications>.