# **Garbage Kills Bears!**

Follow these steps to help keep the Wildernest community and wildlife safe!



1. Verify Dumpster Security: Please
Conduct a comprehensive assessment of all
dumpsters within your property or area of
responsibility. Ensure that they are
adequately secured and meet the necessary
standards for bear-proof storage. If repairs or
enhancements are needed, please take
prompt action to rectify any security
concerns. Make sure dumpsters are latched
and secured at all times!





These interactions pose a significant threat to community members and the bears themselves. It is our responsibility to take proactive measures to maintain a coexistence with these magnificent creatures.

- 2. Spread Awareness: Communicate the importance of bear-proof dumpster security to your neighbors, tenants, employees and especially short term renters! Encourage them to be vigilant in properly securing dumpsters and disposing of waste responsibly. Collectively, we can create a heightened awareness that fosters a culture of responsible waste management.
- **3. Report Trash Incidents:** If you witness any aggressive bear activity or any trash strewn about within the district, please report them immediately to the BMMD Office or call at 970-513-1300. Timely information allows the district to assess the situation and implement appropriate measures to protect both human safety and the well-being of the bears.

#### BMMD Rules Regarding Trash Pickup

All trash containers shall be placed outside enclosed structures only on the appointed day for trash pickup, and shall be returned to enclosures no later than 24 hours after pickup. Two or more covenant violations will result in a requirement to bear-proof.

All trash must be put inside the containers! If the trash is full please keep the thrash inside your residence until the day of pickup. Do not leave the dumpster lid propped open at all!

Please see our rules and regulations link below for any other questions regarding protective covenants in the district including **Noxious Weeds**.

**BMMD** Rules and Regulations

### Water System Improvement Project

#### Check the website for updates!

In the coming months BMMD will be starting a water system improvement project adding isolation valves on Ryan Gulch Road near the Rolling Ridge Apartments. There will be road closures during the project. Keep an eye out for detour signage.

The district will also be adding isolation valves on Fawn Ct as well.

Please check the website for Road Closure information in the next few weeks!

All properties that will be affected by water shutdowns will be notified via email.

## Tips from Colorado Parks & Wildlife

Please click the link to Colorado Parks & Wildlife Website

**Tips for Living with Wildlife!** 

Also please make sure to not leave out any dog or cat food.

Make sure your birdfeeder is in a place not accessible by bears.



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