

SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING

USDA Stockton Service Center
7585 Longe Street, Stockton, CA 95206
Thursday, February 21, 2019- 12pm – 2pm

Minutes

CALL TO ORDER

President Richard Rodriguez called the meeting to order at 12:11 pm

ATTENDANCE

Members of the Board present include Richard Rodriguez, Molly Watkins, Phil Balmat, Jack Hamm, Marden Wilber, Diego Olagaray, Bill Koster, John Herrick, Ruth Mulrooney (Coalition), Mike Wackman(Coalition), Sarah Lucchetti (Coalition), Alma Alvarez (SJCRCD), Sonya Miller (NRCS), Jesse Samson (NRCS), Brenda Phrakonekam (NRCD), Tim Pelican (Ag Commissioner)

MEETING AGENDA

A motion to accept the regular meeting minutes from the January 17, 2019 meeting and the agenda for the February 21, 2019 meeting was made by Mr. Koster, second by Mr. Wilber. Motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

No Public Comments at this time.

TREASURERS REPORT

All bills for the month were presented. A motion to pay all invoices presented in the meeting packet and the supplemental packet excel spreadsheet was made by Ms. Watkins and second by Mr. Rodriguez. Motion passed unanimously.

IRRIGATED LANDS PROGRAM

A. Financial Report- Monthly financial statements were reviewed from the Board Meeting packet. The cost of the Groundwater Trend monitoring proposal from MLJ Environmental was increased by \$10,000 due to a change in regulatory requirements. A motion to approve and file all monthly financials with additional bills presented was made by Mr. Koster and second by Mr. Hamm. Motion passed unanimously.

B. Steering Committee- The Biostimulatory process was reviewed. All streams would have to meet “clean water” criteria. Mr. Johnson (MLJ Environmental) is working on a rebuttal.

C. Membership Report- Ms. Mulrooney reported that everyone who owes money for past membership dues has been contacted.

D. Program Report- Program Managers report is included in the Supplemental packet for Directors to review. Grower Nitrogen CE classes were full, an additional class was added for March 6. A motion was made for Ms. Lucchetti to pursue the potential to become a Nitrogen Self Certification instructor. Motion made by Mr. Hamm, second Ms. Watkins. Motion passed unanimously.

E. Sediment Erosion Control Plan – A Self Certification class for SECPs was held on 2/14.

F. Regional Monitoring Report- Nothing new to report.

NEW BUSINESS

A. NACD Grant- Ms. Alvarez presented her status report for the month which was included in the supplemental packet. She attended the Lower Mokelumne Watershed meeting. Ms. Alvarez presented the agenda and lunch budget for the April Groundwater Meeting at the PMC. A motion was made by Mr. Koster and second by Mr. Hamm not to exceed \$1,000 on lunch for the Ground Water meeting. Motion passed unanimously. Ms. Alvarez will develop a brochure on filter strips to be presented to the Board at the Aug. 15 RCD meeting.

B. Paradise Cut- Mr. Balmat stated that the outreach events at the end of January were fairly well attended. The Final Conceptual Tech memo needs to be approved prior to Feb. 28. A motion was made by Mr. Hamm and second by Mr. Koster to approve a resolution allowing for Mr. Herrick and Mr. Balmat to act as agents to review and approve the final report. Motion passed unanimously. Mr. Balmat and Mr. Herrick will only sign if the changes Mr. Herrick requested have been made. Mr. Rodriguez signed the resolution.

C. DWR GRANT-CERES IMAGING- no report

NRCS UPDATE

A. Ms. Kay Joy Barge was unable to attend the meeting but would like to have a meeting with the RCD Board. Mr. Samson will be acting until the end of March.

RESOURCES

A. Ag Commissioner's Report- Mr. Pelican reported that tracking dogs will be used for Nutria control.

B. San Joaquin Farm Bureau- No report

C. CRAE Report- Ms. Watkins attended the meeting.

D. RCD Administrator- Ms. Lucchetti's contract was reviewed; changes had been made to include RCD responsibilities.

Communications

All communications were placed on the meeting table.

CLOSED SESSION- Personnel issues, no decisions made.

ADJOURN

A motion to adjourn the Board Meeting of February 21, 2019 at 2:24 pm was made by Mr. Koster and second by Mr. Balmat. Motion passed unanimously.

The next meeting of the San Joaquin County Resource Conservation District is scheduled for March 21, 2019 at 12 pm at the USDA Service Center 7585 S Longe Street, Stockton, CA 95206