

San Joaquin County Resource Conservation District

Board of Director's Meeting

February 16, 2017

- CALL TO ORDER President Richard Rodriguez called the meeting to order at 12:13 p.m. Meeting held at the USDA Stockton Service Center- 7585 S. Longe Street, Stockton, CA 95206
- ATTENDANCE Members of the Board present included Richard Rodriguez, Phil Balmat, Molly Watkins, Bill Koster, John Herrick. Staff members and contractors present included Sonya Miller (NRCS), Mike Wackman, Ruth Mulrooney, Shasta Burns. Guests present, Petrea Marchand (Consero Solutions).
- PUBLIC COMMENTS No Public Comments at this time.
- MEETING AGENDA Motion to accept the regular meeting minutes from the January 19, 2017 meeting made by Mr. Koster, second by Ms. Watkins. Motion passed unanimously. Also, to accept the written Agenda for the meeting today, February 16, 2017 made by Mr. Herrick, second by Mr. Koster. Motion passed unanimously.
- DISCUSSION ITEMS No items at this time.
- TREASURER'S REPORT Income and bills to be paid for both the RCD and Coalition were presented, along with current financial reports. A motion to accept the Treasurer's report and pay all late bills presented at meeting in the Supplemental Packet, made by Mr. Koster, second Mr. Herrick. Motion approved unanimously.
- NRCS UPDATE Sonya Miller gave a report on behalf of Ora VanSteyn. The PMC open house will be held on April 5th. There has been a new hire for an engineering position in the Stockton office. After this hire the NRCS has been put on a hiring freeze. EQIP Program has 146 active applications. 23 of which are funded. March 21st is a new Batching period.
- RESOURCES Farm Bureau report- n/a
Ag Commissioner- n/a
CRAE Report- Ms. Watkins and Mr. Rodriguez were in attendance.
The RCD Administrator/Watershed Coordinator reported that she has been working on monthly duties. An Excel spreadsheet of available funds for all NRCS Agreements and monthly standings are attached in the meeting packet for monthly review. 1099's will be submitted after this month's meeting.
- GRANT UPDATES All grant updates were discussed in New Business below.
- NEW BUSINESS Paradise Cut- Petrea Marchand with Consero Solutions was in attendance to the meeting. Ms. Marchand provided spreadsheets and information regarding where the project stands. A motion to adopt **Resolution 2017-02** – Of the Board of Directors of the San Joaquin County Resource Conservation District Finding the Acquisition of Flood and Conservation Easements for the Paradise Cut Flood Bypass Exempt from CEQA made by Mr. Herrick, seconded by Mr. Koster. Motion passed unanimously. All in favor 5/0. American Rivers has also set aside \$5,000 in additional funding for Administrative and Legal purposes for the District.

IRRIGATED LANDS Coalition financials were reviewed. A motion to approve monthly financials from the Supplemental packet provided at the meeting made by Mr. Koster second Mr. Balmat, and approved unanimously. A membership report was given by Ruth Mulrooney. Program Managers Report was given, and information included in the Board Meeting packet. A review of the NPEP program was given. A subcommittee of Mr. Olagaray and Mr. Herrick will be contacted if any further information is needed. Mr. Wackman attended his first CV Salts meeting on behalf of the Coalition. 17 Sediment Erosion Control Plans are in the process, and 6 have been completed. The necessary payments have been sent in and deposited into the RCD General Account.

CLOSED SESSION The Board entered into Closed Session at 2:19 pm, and opened at 2:25. A motion to increase the hourly rate for the contracts for Coalition Membership Director and Assistant Membership Director to \$60 per/hour for Ruth Mulrooney, and \$30 per/hour for Wendy Grupe made by Mr. Herrick, and seconded by Mr. Balmat. Motion passes unanimously.

COMMUNICATIONS No communications at this time.

ADJOURNMENT The next meeting of the San Joaquin County Resource Conservation District Board is scheduled for Thursday, March 16, 2017 at the Stockton Service Center- NRCS, 7585 S. Longe Street, Stockton, CA. Adjourn meeting at 2:30 p.m. Motion by Mr. Balmat, second by Mr. Koster. Motion Passed unanimously.