

**SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING**

San Joaquin County Farm Bureau
3290 North Ad Art Rd, Stockton CA 95215

Teleconference
+1 (872) 240-3212
Access Code: 162-950-037

Thursday, July 16, 2020 - 12:00 pm– 2:00 pm

Minutes

CALL TO ORDER

President Richard Rodriguez called the meeting to order at 12:02 pm

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

ATTENDANCE

Members of the Board present include Richard Rodriguez, Molly Watkins, John Herrick, Marden Wilber, Phil Balmat, Diego Olagaray, John Thoming, Bill Koster, Brandon Bates (NRCS-Stockton), Sarah Lucchetti (RCD), Ruth Mulrooney (SJCDWQC), Tim Pelican (SJ Ag Comm), Kamal Bagri (SJ Ag Comm), Mike Wackman (SJCDWQC), Elisa Noble

MEETING AGENDA

A motion to accept the agenda for the July 16, 2020 meeting agenda was made by Mr. Herrick, second by Mr. Koster. Motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

No Public Comments at this time.

MEETING MINUTES

A motion to accept the regular meeting minutes from the June 18, 2020 meeting was made by Mr. Balmat second by Mr. Koster. Motion passed unanimously

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 Mr. Diego and second by Mr. Balmat. Motion passed unanimously. Ms. Lucchetti presented the FY 2020/2021 RCD Budget. A motion was made to accept the 20/21 Budget, increasing the administrative fee paid from the SJCDWQC to the SJCRCD to 1.5%, by Mr. Olagaray and second by Mr. Thoming. Motion passed unanimously.

RESOURCES

A. Ag Commissioner's Report- Mr. Pelican reported on the crop report. One out of eleven jobs in SJ County are related to the ag industry. The report is available on the Ag Comm. Website. The Ag. Comm still has N-95 masks available for free. Ms. Bagri discussed a potential extension from

the Dec. 30 deadline of the CDFA Noxious Weed Mapping grant. Ag Venture will move to a digital format for this year.

B. CRAE Report- Ms. Watkins reported that CRAE is developing a letter to the governor to ask for watershed coordinators to focus on both ground and surface water.

C. RCD Administrator- Ms. Lucchetti reviewed the RCD Administrative report that was included in the supplemental packet. Ms. Watkins nominated Mr. Rodriguez to remain as president. A motion was made to keep all elected officers the same by Mr. Wilber and second by Ms. Watkins. Motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Paradise Cut – Mr Herrick presented the project to SJAFCA and stressed the support of dredging. Mr Balmat reviewed the draft Grant agreement budget for Prop 1-1806 Paradise Cut, included in the supplemental packet. The proposed budget did not include a transfer of \$7,000 from the RCD to Consero for administration of the grant, reducing the RCD budget to \$21,000.

B. Potential DWR Project- Ms. Elisa Noble discussed the potential DWR grant opportunities. She recommends grazing to reduce vegetation issues at both sites. The RCD Board requested Ms. Noble find an alternative solution to making her an employee of the RCD.

NRCS UPDATE

A. EQIP- Mr. Bates stated that the Stockton FO has 105 applications totaling \$5 million for funding. They are hoping for more funding.

B. Personnel- Mr. Bates stated that a new employee will be starting Monday. The office engineer, David Ramirez, will be leaving the NRCS.

IRRIGATED LANDS PROGRAM

A. Financial Report- Monthly financial statements were reviewed from the Board Meeting packet and additional statements included in the supplemental packet. A motion to approve and file all monthly financials with additional bills presented was made by Mr. Herrick and second by Mr. Balmat. Motion passed unanimously

B. Steering Committee- No meeting held in June.

C. Membership Report- Dues are still being returned. Ms Mulrooney reported that they have been cleaning up the database and compliance list. The list for NMPSR submittals is due to the Regional Board at the end of the month.

D. Program Report-Program Managers report was included in the supplemental packet. Exceedances in pyrethroids and algae.

F. Regional Monitoring Report-Mr Wackman discussed the scope of work for Hydrofocus. A motion was made to accept the proposed Statement of Work from Hydrofocus for work on the GAR by Mr. Herrick and second by M.r Koster. Motion passed unanimously.

Communications

All communications were included in the Supplemental Packet.

ADJOURN

A motion to adjourn the Board Meeting of July 16,2020 at 1:25 pm was made by Mr. Herrick and second by Mr. Balmat. Motion passed unanimously.

The next meeting of the San Joaquin County Resource Conservation District is scheduled for August 21, 2020 at 12 pm via teleconference.