

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

USDA-Stockton Service Center-NRCS- 7585 S. Longe Street, Stockton, CA 95206

**Thursday, January 19, 2017 12:00 p.m.- 2:00 p.m.**

**AGENDA**

- 12:00 noon**
- 1. CALL TO ORDER**  
ROLL CALL/INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS  
ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA - LAST MINUTE ADDITIONS/DELETIONS  
PUBLIC COMMENTS - LIMITED TO 3 MINUTES/SPEAKER
  - 2. CONSENT AGENDA** (including minutes of the December 15, 2016 meeting)
  - 3. TREASURER'S REPORT:** presentation of bills, income Received-Quarterly invoicing
  - 4. CLOSED SESSION**
    - A. Significant Exposure to litigation pursuant to subsection (b) of Section 54956.9 (1) SWRCB Petition Proceedings.
  - 5. NEW BUSINESS – Ceres Imaging, Paradise Cut**
  - 6. IRRIGATED LANDS REGULATORY PROGRAM**
    - A. Financial Report
    - B. Steering Committee
    - C. Membership Report – Grower reimbursement
    - D. Program Report
    - E. Sediment Erosion Control Plan
    - F. Regional Monitoring Program
  - 7. NRCS UPDATE**
    - A. EQUIP
    - B. Personnel
  - 8. RESOURCES**
    - A. Ag Commissioner's Report
    - B. San Joaquin Farm Bureau Report
    - C. CRAE Report
    - D. RCD Administrator/Watershed Coordinator Report
  - 9. COMMUNICATIONS**
  - 10. ADJOURN**

The next meeting of the San Joaquin County Resource Conservation District is scheduled for 12:00 noon  
Thursday, January 19, 2017, USDA Stockton Service Center- NRCS- 7585 S. Longe Street, Stockton, CA 95206.

**San Joaquin County Resource Conservation District Monthly Board Meeting of  
January 19, 2017**

**MINUTES**

**NRCS 7585 S. Longe Street, Stockton CA 95206**

Meeting Called to order 12:06 pm

Meeting attendance includes; Richard Rodrigues, John Thoming, Phil Balmat, Julianne Phillips (SJFB), Tim Pelican (Ag Commissioner), Mike Wackman (Coalition), Jack Hamm, Diego Olagaray, Marden Wilber, David Termondt (Ceres Imaging), Ora Van Steyn (NRCS), Ruth Mulrooney (Coalition), and Margaret Smither-Kopperl (NRCS)

Acceptance of agenda with a motion made by Mr. Thoming, second by Mr. Olagaray. With the exception to correct the next meeting date which states 1/19/17 and needs to be corrected to 2/16/17. The motion passed unanimously.

Consent Agenda accepted, a motion made by Mr. Koster, second by Mr. Hamm. The motion passed unanimously.

No closed session.

Presentation from David Turmondt, of Ceres Imaging went over the overall goal of the project, grower privacy, cost, and how to participate in the project. More information is available upon request. A motion to accept **Resolution 2017-01**, Accepting California Department of Water Resources Proposition 1 Water Use Efficiency Grant Funds, made by Mr. Hamm, second Mr. Koster all in favor, the motion passed unanimously. Roll Call, Thoming; Aye, Balmat; Aye, Hamm; Aye, Olagaray; Aye, Wilber; Aye, Rodriguez; Aye.

Irrigated Lands

Coalition financials were reviewed. Approve financials, and late bills included in the supplemental packet. A motion Mr. Koster, second Mr. Olagaray, approved unanimously. A review of the Budget to Actuals for the year were reviewed.

Mike W. reported that the Coalition budget is on track, MLJ, LLC is currently under budget because they have not had to retest sites. NMP Self Certification meetings & Annual Grower meetings are ongoing. Reviewed outstanding accounts on SECP spreadsheet. Sarah L will mail past due notices to two growers.

Motion made by Mr. Hamm to transfer \$10,000.00 from Coalition checking at SJC to Credit Card checking account, second Mr. Koster. Motion passed unanimously.

NRCS update – Ora reported that the first EQIP batching deadline was last Friday, applications for 25Hp tractors are being accepted in their tractor replacement program. A new engineer has been hired and will begin 1/23/17. The Farm Bill Assistance agreement with the SJCRD has an additional \$31,000.00 available. Ora is looking to hire someone with ag experience for this position.

PMC Update – Margaret S. reported that the Plant Materials Center will be holding an open house at the end of March. She requested that the SJCRD sponsor lunch for up to 100 guests. A motion to pay for

lunch for the PMC open house, up to \$1,000.00 made by Mr. Olagaray, second by Mr. Koster. Motion passed unanimously. Discussion occurred regarding Margaret holding a “riparian buffer zone workshop”. The Water Board is requiring parcels along waterways to have a 35’ buffer zone between the crop and the waterway. Shasta B is to contact Margaret and set up a date and time, relay info to Mike who will send a mailing to Coalition members to attend the workshop.

Ag Commissioner Report – Tim P reported on 2/14/17 a Bee Aware symposium will be held at the Cabral Center. It will cover how to apply pesticides as to not harm bees. Speakers will include the largest beekeeper in CA and apiary experts from UCD.

SJFB report – Julianne reported they will be hosting a CPR class on 2/2/17 in both English & Spanish. A Heat Illness workshop is upcoming, the date is pending.

RCD Admin report – Ruth read Shasta’s notes. The 1099s have been mailed, a reminder to Hamm, Olagaray, Rodriguez, Thoming that their terms expire in February 2017, they need to complete their director applications. The Mokelumne River Watershed Coordinator with EBMUD has been extended to 12/31/17. Shasta will email Form 700 to all the directors along with a reminder of the due date. Shasta will complete the Resolution and mail it to the correct parties, she has requested 3 years of audited financial records from our accountant as required by DWR.

A motion to adjourn meeting at 1:45 pm to the next scheduled Board Meeting on February 16, 2017 made by Mr. Balmat, second by Mr. Olagaray all in favor. Meeting adjourned.

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- 12:10pm**      **3. TREASURER'S REPORT:** presentation of bills, income Received-Quarterly invoicing
- 12:15pm**      **4. NEW BUSINESS**  
    **1. Paradise Cut**  
    **2. DWR Grant- Ceres Imaging**
- 12:40pm**      **5. NRCS UPDATE**  
    **A. EQUIP**  
    **B. Personnel**
- 12:50pm**      **6. RESOURCES**  
    **A. Ag Commissioner's Report**  
    **B. San Joaquin Farm Bureau Report**  
    **C. CRAE Report**  
    **D. RCD Administrator/Watershed Coordinator Report**
- 1:15pm**      **7. COMMUNICATIONS**
- 1:20pm**      **8. IRRIGATED LANDS REGULATORY PROGRAM**  
    **A. Financial Report**  
    **B. Steering Committee**  
    **C. Membership Report**  
    **D. Program Report**  
    **E. Sediment Erosion Control Plan**  
    **F. Regional Monitoring Program**
- 1:40pm**      **9. CLOSED SESSION**  
    **A. Significant Exposure to litigation pursuant to subsection (b) of Section 54956.9 (1)**  
        **SWRCB Petition Proceedings.**  
    **B. Personnel matters**

**2:00pm**      **10. ADJOURN**

The next meeting of the San Joaquin County Resource Conservation District is scheduled for 12:00 noon Thursday, March 16, 2017 at the USDA Stockton Service Center, 7585 S. Longe Street, Stockton CA 95206.

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 5 <sup>th</sup> . 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 21 <sup>st</sup> 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 <b>Resolution 2017-02</b> – 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 giving. 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.

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- 12:15pm**      **4. NEW BUSINESS**  
                    **1. Paradise Cut- Agreement Approval, Insurance**  
                    **2. DWR Grant- Ceres Imaging**  
                    **3. DOC – Grant Opportunity and Resolution**  
                    **4. Ethic's Training and Form 700's**  
                    **5. Annual Work Plan**  
                    **6. Reimbursement Policy**  
                    **7. Public Records Policy**  
                    **8. Nondiscrimination Policy**
- 12:40pm**      **5. NRCS UPDATE**  
                    **A. EQUIP**  
                    **B. Personnel**
- 12:50pm**      **6. RESOURCES**  
                    **A. Ag Commissioner's Report**  
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                    **A. Significant Exposure to litigation pursuant to subsection (b) of Section 54956.9 (1)**  
                            **SWRCB Petition Proceedings.**  
                    **B. Personnel matters**
- 2:00pm**      **10. ADJOURN**

The next meeting of the San Joaquin County Resource Conservation District is scheduled for 12:00 noon  
Thursday, April 20, 2017 at the USDA Stockton Service Center, 7585 S. Longe Street, Stockton CA 95206.

San Joaquin County Resource Conservation District

Board of Director's Meeting

March 16, 2017

CALL TO ORDER	President Richard Rodriguez called the meeting to order at 12:08 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, Molly Watkins, John Thoming, Marden Wilber, Jack Hamm, Tim Pelican (Ag Commissioner), Ora Van Steyn (NRCS), Mike Wackman, Ruth Mulrooney. Guests present, John Cain (American Rivers), Eric Ringleberg.
PUBLIC COMMENTS	No Public Comments at this time.
MEETING AGENDA	Motion to accept the regular meeting minutes from the February 16, 2017 meeting made by Mr. Thoming, second by Ms. Watkins. Motion passed unanimously. Also, to accept the written Agenda for the meeting today, February 16, 2017 made by Mr. Hamm, second by Ms. Watkins. 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. Thoming, second Ms. Watkins. Motion approved unanimously.
NRCS UPDATE	<p>Ora Van Steyn reported that March 17<sup>th</sup> is the deadline for the second batching period. She recently hired an engineer, but is currently under a hiring freeze. Motion made by Mr. Hamm to hire Vicki Pierini as a contract RCD employee to fulfill the Farm Bill Assistant Agreement with the NRCS. The employment period will be March 20, 2017- October 17, 2017 at the rate of \$20.00/hour, second by Thoming. Motion passed unanimously.</p> <p>PMC- A farm tour was given to student at Oak View School. The topic was Soil Health. Open House will be held on April 5<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 am- 3:00 pm. Topics on the Agenda include, Water Management and Cover Crop Benefits. Lunch will be held at noon.</p>
RESOURCES	<p>Farm Bureau report- n/a</p> <p>Ag Commissioner- Mr. Pelican reported that San Joaquin County has been declared a Federal Disaster for Crops. He needs growers to report their losses to his office.</p> <p>CRAE Report- The next meeting will be held at the EPA Building in Sacramento. Secretary Ross will be in attendance for a brain storming session of her last two years in office.</p> <p>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.</p>
GRANT UPDATES	All grant updates were discussed in New Business below.
NEW BUSINESS	A decision to postpone approving the grant agreement Prop 1-2015-Y1-012 to the April Board meeting was made. The two Paradise Cut Grant Committee members were not in attendance. Mr. Thoming and Mr. Wilbur will read and review the Prop 1-2015-Y1-012 documents prior to the April Board Meeting. Jennifer Spaletta will be in attendance at the next Board Meeting for



more Easement guidance for the Board. The Board would also like Mr. Cain to present maps with the properties that already have easements on them. A Draft of all the Easements is due to Ms. Burns on April 5<sup>th</sup> for legal review.

DWR Ceres Imaging – Jenna Rodriguez and James Hunt from Ceres Imaging will rework the flyer sent out to Landowners. Address needs to be changed for the April 20<sup>th</sup> seminar.

A motion to pass the attached **Policies & Procedures** documents made by Mr. Hamm, second by Ms. Watkins. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion to pass the attached **Harassment and Retaliation Policy** as written made by Ms. Watkins, second by Mr. Hamm. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion to pass the attached **Reimbursement Policy of Director and Contractor Expenses** made by Mr. Thoming, second by Mr. Wilbur. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion to pass the attached **Vehicle Use Policy** as written made by Mr. Hamm, second by Ms. Watkins. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion to pass the attached **2017/2018 Annual Plan** Document as written made by Ms. Watkins, second Mr. Wilber. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion to apply for the **Department of Conservation Grant with the help of Mr. John Brodie to purchase a Conservation Tillage Seeder with the awarded funds**, made by Mr. Thoming, second by Mr. Hamm. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion to approve **Resolution 0001-03-2017** accepting the California Department of Water Resources Prop 50 Water Use Efficiency Grant Funds made by Mr. Thoming, second by Mr. Hamm. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion to accept the MOU attached from East Stanislaus Resource Conservation District made by Mr. Hamm, second by Ms. Watkins. Motion passed unanimously.

#### IRRIGATED LANDS

Coalition financials were reviewed. A motion to approve monthly financials from the Supplemental packet provided at the meeting made by Mr. Hamm second Mr. Thoming, 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. Mr. Wackman reported that the state fee per acre will potentially increase to \$1.00/acre for 2018. 96% of dues have been collected, and the Coalition remains under budget in testing due to rain and no toxicity hits. Invoices will be mailed in May, rates have to be approved at the April Board Meeting.

#### CLOSED SESSION

No Closed Session at this time.

#### COMMUNICATIONS

Eric Ringelberg discussed grant opportunities to partner with Fresh Water Trust from Portland, OR. Discussion of other water projects his company as participated in were also discussed.

#### ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting of the San Joaquin County Resource Conservation District Board is scheduled for Thursday, April 20, 2017 at the Stockton Service Center- NRCS, 7585 S. Longe Street, Stockton, CA. Adjourn meeting at 2:28 p.m. Motion by Mr. Thoming, second by Mr. Hamm. Motion Passed unanimously.

**SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT  
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USDA Stockton Service Center  
7585 S. Longe Street, Stockton, CA 95206  
**Thursday, April 20, 2017, 11:00 am– 2:00 pm**

**AGENDA**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER**  
ROLL CALL/INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS  
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- 5. NEW BUSINESS**
  - A. Paradise Cut- Agreement Approval, Insurance, ESA Contract
  - B. DWR Grant- Ceres Imaging
  - C. 2017 Pombo Scholarship
- 6. NRCS UPDATE**
  - A. EQUIP
  - B. Personnel
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  - A. Department of Conservation Grant
  - B. Ethic's Training and Form 700's
- 9. CLOSED SESSION**
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San Joaquin County Resource Conservation District

Board of Director's Meeting

April 20, 2017

CALL TO ORDER	President Richard Rodriguez called the meeting to order at 11:08 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, Molly Watkins, John Thoming, Jack Hamm, Diego Olagaray, Bill Koster, Phil Balmat, Ora Van Steyn (NRCS), Mike Wackman, Ruth Mulrooney, Jennifer Spaletta (Counsel). Guests present, John Cain (American Rivers), Julianne Phillips (SJCFB).
PUBLIC COMMENTS	No Public Comments at this time.
MEETING AGENDA	Motion to accept the regular meeting minutes from the March 16, 2017 meeting with the correction to add additional names to the attendance list made by Mr. Koster, second by Mr. Olagaray. Motion passed unanimously. Also, to accept the written Agenda for the meeting today, April 20, 2017 made by Mr. Hamm, second by Ms. Watkins. 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 including the \$300 CARCD Annual Membership invoice, made by Mr. Koster, second Mr. Hamm. Motion approved unanimously.
NRCS UPDATE	Ora Van Steyn reported that there is one Batching Period left. There is currently \$3.5 million in contracts this year. Total of 70 contracts. The Farm Bill Assistant Vicky Pierini is doing well. The USDA is continuing the hiring freeze.
RESOURCES	<p>Farm Bureau report- Coffee Shop talks have started and will be hitting on major issues with staff and their annual meeting that will be held on May 12<sup>th</sup> at the Farm Center.</p> <p>Ag Commissioner- Mr. Pelican reported that San Joaquin County has been declared a Federal Disaster for Crops. He needs growers to report their losses to his office.</p> <p>CRAE Report- Karen Ross attended the last meeting. Topics included Regulations chasing farmers, water labor expectations from farmers, and drinking water. A motion to pay for next month's CRAE Meeting lunch that will be held at the Farm Bureau for up to \$20 per person, made by Mr. Hamm, second by Mr. Koster, motion passed unanimously.</p> <p>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.</p>
GRANT UPDATES	Ceres Imaging workshop for growers and interested parties was held this morning at the SJC Farm Bureau. All other grant updates were discussed in New Business below.
NEW BUSINESS	John Cain reviewed attached Memo presented to the Board. Documents on Easements were reviewed and Easements Documentation are available upon request for the existing agriculture use on the properties and allow habitat to remain consistent. John Cain will be preparing a Funds Memo to pay an indirect cost for administrative duties and the RCD.

A motion to approve the Planning Grant Agreement for the Paradise Cut Project in the amount of \$99,924.00 with the Delta Conservancy made by Mr. Koster, and second by Mr. Olagaray. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion to approve the ESA agreement- subject to Legal Counsel and Director Balmat edits for payment based on receiving grant funds, subcontractors, changing the project contact to Director Phil Balmat, the contract shall not be delivered to ESA until there is a separate contract from American Rivers for 15% administrative costs, plus hourly administrative costs, and the ability to terminate the ESA contract if the SJCRCD does not receive payment under the American Rivers Agreement made by, Mr. Olagaray, second by Mr. Hamm. Motion passed unanimously.

#### 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. Olagaray, and passed unanimously. Mr. Wackman presented the Board with a Draft Budget for next year with explanations for each category as to why the budget is lower this next fiscal year.

Discussion of the annual water rate for the coming year, and a recommendation from the Steering Committee to come down \$1.00 from last year. A motion to accept Revenue portion of the budget as presented for the 2017-2018 budget year with a minimum fee of \$50, and \$4.00 per acre made by Mr. Olagaray, second by Mr. Koster. Motion passed unanimously.

Recap of the Steering Committee Meeting and the new Member Portal that will soon be available to growers. All information on this database will be owned by the SJCRCD and not shared with any other entities. A motion to accept recommendation of Steering Committee Portal made by Mr. Hamm, second by Mr. Koster. Motion passed unanimously.

Membership report was given by Ruth Mulrooney. A motion to accept a website based payment option for Growers for a charge of 3% per transaction, and to pay the \$9.95 monthly administrative fee, made by Mr. Thoming, and second by Mr. Olagaray. Motion passed unanimously.

#### CLOSED SESSION

Board entered into Closed Session at 12:23, and entered back into Open Session at 1:00 pm. No reportable action at this time.

#### COMMUNICATIONS

No communications at this time.

#### ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting of the San Joaquin County Resource Conservation District Board is scheduled for Thursday, May 18, 2017 at the Stockton Service Center- NRCS, 7585 S. Longe Street, Stockton, CA. Adjourn meeting at 2:23 p.m. Motion by Mr. Hamm, second by Mr. Koster, Motion Passed unanimously.

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- 5. NEW BUSINESS**
  - A. Directors Terms and Appointments
  - B. Paradise Cut-Insurance, ESA Contract, Wire Transfer, Consero Scope of Work
  - C. DWR Grant- Ceres Imaging
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## **Minutes**

### **CALL TO ORDER**

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### **ATTENDANCE**

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### **MEETING AGENDA**

A motion to accept the regular Meeting minutes from the April 20, 2017 Board Meeting, and the Agenda for the May 18, 2017 Board Meeting, made by Mr. Koster, second Mr. Thoming. Motion passed unanimously.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

No public comments at this time.

### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

Income for both the SJCRCD and Coalition were presented, along with current financial reports. A wire transfer from the Delta Conservancy was made to the SJCRCD account for the Paradise Cut Grant in the amount of \$15,000 and will show on the June County Financial Statement. A motion to receive and file all monthly bills presented bills, income received, and new budget made by Mr. Koster, second Ms. Watkins. Motion passed unanimously.

### **IRRIGATED LANDS REGULATORY PROGRAM**

- A.** Financial Report – Wackman reviewed financials in Supplemental Packet. Error on Croce Sangunietti audit bill, and money was transferred from County in between accounts. This new balance will show on the June statements. A Motion to approve financials presented was made by Mr. Koster, second Mr. Thoming. Motion passed unanimously.
- B.** Steering Committee – Meeting with Environmental Justice (EJ) Community and will meet again next week. Gathering information needed for. Anonymous parcel numbers, and when submitted to the state will have a code number for confidentiality. Still in the logistics of how this information will be transferred at a state level.
- C.** Membership Report - Membership invoices and packets were mailed. Deposits for memberships are being done now. Farm Evaluations are due in June. Sarah Lucchetti has been taking calls for Farm Management Plans. 80% turned in for 2015. Data entry still being collected for 2016 for Farm Management Plans. East San Joaquin is looking for data of crops grown in the area for the Groundwater sustainability plans. Sarah Lucchetti is still working on SECP's, and are almost complete. The portal from Michael L Johnson is still being finalized and will be available soon to growers.
- D.** Program Report – No program report at this time.
- E.** Sediment Erosion Control Plan- Ms. Lucchetti is working with growers and will be finished shortly.
- F.** Regional Monitoring Program – All matters discussed in the above topics.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- A.** Directors Terms and Appointments were reviewed.
- B.** Paradise Cut-Insurance, ESA Contract, Wire Transfer, Consero Scope of Work – Review of email send from John Cain given due to his absence. Julianne from Farm Bureau reviewed letter sent on behalf of Farm Bureau and concerns with stacking of habitat easements. John Cain will meet with San Joaquin Agricultural Technical Advisory Subcommittee regarding the Borges/Machado property on May 25. Mr. Cain will simply report on the potential conflict between the existing agricultural easement and the proposed flood easement.  
Insurance - waiting for the ESA contract from Jennifer to send in with complete grant application. No additional fees will be applied. A motion to accept the Consero Solutions Contract provided in the meeting packet, to allow Consero Solutions to work with the RCD on managing for the Paradise Cut Grant made by Mr. Koster, second by Mr. Balmat. Motion passed unanimously.
- C.** DWR Grant- Ceres Imaging – Update from Jenna, 10,000 acres of the 30,000 total are now in contract. Ms. Burns is currently working out the logistics with Ms. Rodriguez on Quarterly invoicing, reporting, and billing. Ms. Rodriguez reviewed a recent flight.

## **NRCS UPDATE**

- A.** Ms. Van Steyn gave a brief update that the EQIP has received 3.3 million dollars this year.
- B.** Personnel – The hiring freeze for the state is still in effect, and no word of lifting in the near future. The Stockton office is looking forward to having an Intern from New York Summer 2017. NRCS will have a new Under Secretary- not announced at this point. The mission of the NRCS will not change, but the NRCS, FSC, and RMA will become one entity to improve efficiency.  
Update from Ms. Smither-Kopperl from the Lockeford Plant Materials Center- There was a Good turn-out at the Open House at the PMC last month. Discussion of cover crops and irrigation at the Open House. Seepage at the river into the PMC grounds from the heavy river flows. The levee also needs some repairs and contracts are in place for all repairs. East Stanislaus grant was awarded and Margaret will be assisting with cover crop training.

## **RESOURCES**

- A.** Ag Commissioner's Report – No report at this time.
- B.** San Joaquin Farm Bureau Report - Julianne gave an update on the Ag Mitigation and edits being made. Active on the SGMA Workgroup. They will be meeting the June deadline. All relatively quiet at this point in the year. Biggest issue is the snow melt at this point. Working on Rural Crime Seminar and looking for demonstrations. Coffee talk shop - Instagram being developed.
- C.** CRAE Report - 12 people showed for the meeting and 9 went on the tour of the cherry packing shed that was held at the Farm Bureau with Molly.
- D.** RCD Administrator/Watershed Coordinator Report - all reports given above. Working on the Watershed Facebook page.

## **8. COMMUNICATIONS – SWEEPS Verifications due end of June**

- 9. CLOSED SESSION 1:15 pm. – 1:25 pm** - Motion to give Shasta Burns a \$5-hour raise made by Koster, second by Thoming. Motion passed unanimously.

- 10. ADJOURN-** A motion to adjourn to the next scheduled Board Meeting on June 15, 2017 made by Mr. Balmat, second by Mr. Koster. Motion passed unanimously

The next meeting of the San Joaquin County Resource Conservation District is scheduled for 12:00 noon Thursday, June 15, 2017 at the USDA Stockton Service Center, 7585 S. Longe Street, Stockton CA 95206.

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

USDA Stockton Service Center  
7585 S. Longe Street, Stockton, CA 95206  
**Thursday, June 15, 2017, 12:00 am– 2:00 pm**

**AGENDA**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER**  
ROLL CALL/INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS  
ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA - LAST MINUTE ADDITIONS/DELETIONS  
PUBLIC COMMENTS - LIMITED TO 3 MINUTES/SPEAKER
- 2. CONSENT AGENDA** (including minutes of the May 18, 2017 meeting)
- 3. TREASURER'S REPORT:** presentation of bills, income Received
- 4. IRRIGATED LANDS REGULATORY PROGRAM**
  - A. Financial Report
  - B. Steering Committee
  - C. Membership Report
  - D. Program Report
  - E. Sediment Erosion Control Plan
  - F. Regional Monitoring Program
- 5. NEW BUSINESS**
  - B. Paradise Cut-Insurance, ESA Contract
  - C. DWR Grant- Ceres Imaging
- 6. NRCS UPDATE**
  - A. EQIP
  - B. Personnel
- 7. RESOURCES**
  - A. Ag Commissioner's Report
  - B. San Joaquin Farm Bureau Report
  - C. CRAE Report
  - D. RCD Administrator/Watershed Coordinator Report
- 8. COMMUNICATIONS**
- 9. CLOSED SESSION**
  - A. Significant Exposure to litigation pursuant to subsection (b) of Section 54956.9 (1) SWRCB Petition Proceedings.
  - B. Personnel matters
- 10. ADJOURN**

The next meeting of the San Joaquin County Resource Conservation District is scheduled for 12:00 noon Thursday, July, 20 2017 at the USDA Stockton Service Center, 7585 S. Longe Street, Stockton CA 95206.



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

USDA Stockton Service Center  
7585 S. Longe Street, Stockton, CA 95206  
**Thursday, June 15, 2017, 12:00 am– 2:00 pm**

## **Minutes**

### **CALL TO ORDER**

President Richard Rodriguez called the meeting to order at 12:05 pm.

### **ATTENDANCE**

Members of the Board present include Richard Rodriguez, Phil Balmat, John Thoming, Jack Hamm, Bill Koster, Jesse Samson (NRCS), Elena Araya (NRCS), Julianne Phillips (SJFB), John Cain (American Rivers), Kamal Bagri (Ag Commissioners Office), Ruth Mulrooney (Coalition), Mike Wackman (Coalition), Shasta Burns (SJCRCD).

### **MEETING AGENDA**

A motion to accept the regular meeting minutes from the May 18, 2017 Board Meeting, and the Agenda for the June 15, 2017 Regular Board Meeting, made by Mr. Hamm, second Mr. Koster. Motion passed unanimously.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

No public comments at this time.

### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

A presentation of all bills received for the month. A motion to pay all invoices presented in the meeting packet and supplemental packet made by Mr. Koster, second by Mr. Balmat. Motion passed unanimously.

### **IRRIGATED LANDS REGULATORY PROGRAM**

- A.** Financial Report – A motion to receive and file all invoices for the month, and to transfer \$800,000 from the main checking account into the contingency fund for reserves. Made by Koster, second by Mr. Hamm. Motion passed unanimously.
- B.** Steering Committee – Review of the meeting held last week. Update on a recent SECP site inspection. Mr. Wackman is looking for another representative from the Board for the MPEP meetings.
- C.** Membership Report – Collected just over \$1.35 million dollars. Post cards were mailed out to any grower that was supposed to turn in a Farm Evaluation or Nitrogen Management plan on April 15<sup>th</sup>. Possible web based portal to see if bills have been payed, various reports have been turned in, and to make sure all necessary paperwork is filed for the year. A motion to add additional \$15,000 worth of work to have Michael L Johnson create a Delegate Access in addition the portal created by MLJ made by Mr. Hamm, second by Mr. Koster. Motion passed unanimously.
- D.** Program Report – No huge problems at this time. No exceedances lately.
- E.** Sediment Erosion Control Plan – Sarah L. has been working diligently with the growers and assisting with all necessary paperwork above and beyond SECP
- F.** Regional Monitoring Program – Nothing new at this time.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

- B.** Paradise Cut – John Cain and guest presented a map of the project. Attending the Agricultural Technical Advisory Committee to discuss the conservation easement regarding the Paradise Cut. Discussion of the easement stacking continued between habitat and agriculture easements. The appraisals are still on hold. Waiting on maps of legal descriptions now. One appraisal has been completed at this time.
- C.** DWR Grant- Ceres Imaging invoicing happening soon.

## **NRCS UPDATE**

- A.** EQUIP - \$3.5 million spent so far, this year. This is not including batch 3. A total of over \$5 million spent over this year. Majority going towards air practices.
- B.** Personnel – Still on a global hiring freeze and operating on 77%.

## **RESOURCES**

- A.** Ag Commissioner's Report – Ms. Bagri gave an update that cherry season is over and had a great crop this year. Pest found in the area and caused a program to be suspended. It is controlled at this time. If you do a "System Approach Plan" you do not have to fumigate with methyl bromide. Pesticides in Schools are coming into play in January. Ag Commissioner's office is trying to help growers with the annual notification process, and will help with markings in the quarter marking zone, and timings based on type of applications. Growers keep records for two years and the Ag Commissioner's office will hold them for one year. Pesticide Recycling Event will be taking place and encouraging information on helpful ways to dispose of old pesticides.
- B.** San Joaquin Farm Bureau Report – Eastern Groundwater JPA meeting was held yesterday and will meet the June 30<sup>th</sup> deadline for comments. Michael George will be presenting at the next water meeting at the Farm Bureau. Cannabis Committee will be meeting next Friday for policy revisions for the Board of Supervisors. Rural Crime Seminar at Farm Bureau at the end of the month.
- C.** CRAE Report – No report at this time.
- D.** RCD Administrator/Watershed Coordinator Report – Ms. Burns has asked the Board for their permission for the Watershed Chair, Kathy Grant to present and "Abstract" written to present at the CARCD Annual Conference. The Board gives their approval to present.

## **COMMUNICATIONS**

Mr. Rodriguez and Ms. Burns have been on their first SWEEP Evaluation site visit. Two more to come.

## **CLOSED SESSION**

No Closed Session.

## **ADJOURN**

A motion to adjourn the Board Meeting of June 15, 2017 at pm, made by Mr. Koster, second by Mr. Hamm. Motion passed unanimously.

The next meeting of the San Joaquin County Resource Conservation District is scheduled for 12:00 noon Thursday, July, 20 2017 at the USDA Stockton Service Center, 7585 S. Longe Street, Stockton CA 95206.

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

USDA Stockton Service Center  
7585 S. Longe Street, Stockton, CA 95206  
**Thursday, July 20, 2017 - 12:00 am– 2:00 pm**

**Agenda**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER**
  - ROLL CALL/INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS
  - ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA - LAST MINUTE ADDITIONS/DELETIONS
  - PUBLIC COMMENTS - LIMITED TO 3 MINUTES/SPEAKER
- 2. CONSENT AGENDA** (including minutes of the June 15, 2017 meeting)
- 3. TREASURER'S REPORT:** presentation of bills, income Received
- 4. IRRIGATED LANDS REGULATORY PROGRAM**
  - A. Financial Report
  - B. Steering Committee
  - C. Membership Report
  - D. Program Report
  - E. Sediment Erosion Control Plan
  - F. Regional Monitoring Program
- 5. NEW BUSINESS**
  - B. Paradise Cut-Insurance, ESA Contract
  - C. DWR Grant- Ceres Imaging
  - D. SWEEP Resolution and Motion
  - E. SAM & CAGE Code
- 6. NRCS UPDATE**
  - A. EQIP
  - B. Personnel
- 7. RESOURCES**
  - A. Ag Commissioner's Report
  - B. San Joaquin Farm Bureau Report
  - C. CRAE Report
  - D. RCD Administrator/Watershed Coordinator Report
- 8. COMMUNICATIONS**
- 9. CLOSED SESSION**
  - A. Significant Exposure to litigation pursuant to subsection (b) of Section 54956.9 (1) SWRCB Petition Proceedings.
  - B. Personnel matters
- 10. ADJOURN**

The next meeting of the San Joaquin County Resource Conservation District is scheduled for 12:00 noon Thursday, August 17, 2017 at the USDA Stockton Service Center, 7585 S. Longe Street, Stockton CA 95206.

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

USDA Stockton Service Center  
7585 S. Longe Street, Stockton, CA 95206  
**Thursday, July 20, 2017, 12:00 am– 2:00 pm**

## **Minutes**

### **CALL TO ORDER**

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

### **ATTENDANCE**

Members of the Board present include Richard Rodriguez, Phil Balmat, John Thoming, Jack Hamm, Bill Koster, Diego Olagaray, John Herrick, Bill Koster, Molly Watkins, Julianne Phillips (SJFB), Sonya Miller (NRCS), Ruth Mulrooney (Coalition), Mike Wackman (Coalition), Shasta Burns (SJCRCD).

### **MEETING AGENDA**

A motion to accept the regular meeting minutes from the June 15, 2017 Board Meeting, and the Agenda for the July 20, 2017 Regular Board Meeting, made by Mr. Herrick, second Mr. Hamm. Motion passed unanimously.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

No public comments at this time.

### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

A presentation of all bills received for the month. A motion to pay all invoices presented in the meeting packet and supplemental packet and accept a late bill for reimbursement for Ms. Watkins CRAE meeting made by Mr. Wilber, second by Mr. Hamm. Motion passed unanimously.

### **IRRIGATED LANDS REGULATORY PROGRAM**

- A.** Financial Report – A motion to receive and file all invoices for the month, made by Koster, second by Mr. Hamm. Motion passed unanimously. Mr. Wackman reviewed Irrigated Lands Financial Statement and income received from Membership income. Reviewed last fiscal year's Budget vs. Actual Statement. Michael L Johnson LLC, forecasted budget for the next fiscal year will be lower for the next fiscal year.
- B.** Steering Committee – Review of the meeting held last week along with the meeting minutes presented by Ms. Mulrooney. Mr. Wackman reviewed the new State Order to comply with the new State Board Order with specific negotiations being done now. State Water Board correspondence in supplemental packet.
- C.** Membership Report – Ms. Mulrooney reported Regional Water Board of a list of growers that have not filled out a Farm Evaluation this year or last year. If Farm Evaluation is not turned in by next week there will be a certified letter sent out by the State Board and fees will apply. Review of memberships that have come in. Looking great at this point.
- D.** Program Report – No huge problems at this time. No exceedances lately. Waiting for the launch of the portal. Changes are being made to make it more grower and user friendly. Will be up and running by the time grower meetings are held.
- E.** Sediment Erosion Control Plan – Sarah L. will be teaching a SECP class next week on July 26<sup>th</sup> held at the Coalition office.
- F.** Regional Monitoring Program – Mr. Wackman reviewed current monitoring. Nothing new at this time.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- A.** Paradise Cut – Ms. Burns reviewed an email update from John Cain on the latest agreements and discussions with the landowners on the Borges/Machado property. More information to come after the next Agricultural Technical Advisory Meeting which will take place next month. Planning Grant is officially executed at this time. Board discussions regarding easements and appraisals that can be done.
- B.** DWR Grant- Ceres Imaging invoicing happening within the next month, flights are going well, and more acreage is being contracted for next year as flights happen.
- C. SWEEP - Resolution** – A motion to accept presented Resolution for the SWEEP program evaluations made by Mr. Hamm, second by Ms. Watkins. Motion passed unanimously.
- D. SAMS** – SAMS number will be updated by October 2017 for the next fiscal year. Geri at the NRCS will help update this number for free.

## **NRCS UPDATE**

- A.** EQIP – 146 contracts at this point. \$4 million spent so far, this year. 2018 applications being accepted now. Fiscal year 2018 programs being looked at now. Sonya will be the representative for the water conservation funding for next year.
- B.** Personnel – Still on a global hiring freeze and operating on 77%.

## **RESOURCES**

- A.** Ag Commissioner's Report – n/a
- B.** San Joaquin Farm Bureau Report – Following Cannabis Policy. Federal Water Regulations. Ms. Phillips reviewed upcoming meetings that will be held at the Farm Bureau. California Farm Bureau are in support of the Cap and Trade
- C.** CRAE Report – Ms. Watkins reported on meeting held in Sacramento. Almond Board sent two representatives to present at this meeting. When asked about what the most trusted occupation was to this group, agriculture and farmers were not even mentioned. Firemen were the number one trusted at this Roundtable Meeting. Roundtable is working with the Ag Committee meeting on August 5<sup>th</sup> and will be working on a list of things that they would like the Farm Bill to look at and redefine. It does not sound like they will have this opportunity, but will be pushing for it.
- D.** RCD Administrator/Watershed Coordinator Report – Ms. Burns reported that there will be a meeting in August. No July meeting due to scheduling conflicts. Currently working on the Watershed Facebook page.

**COMMUNICATIONS** – Boxes at the Coalition will be going through and archived at the County. Next month the Board would like to see the Twin Tunnels as an Agenda Item.

## **CLOSED SESSION**

No Closed Session.

## **ADJOURN**

A motion to adjourn the Board Meeting of July 20, 2017 at 1:38 pm, made by Mr. Koster, second by Mr. Hamm. Motion passed unanimously.

The next meeting of the San Joaquin County Resource Conservation District is scheduled for 12:00 noon Thursday, August 17, 2017 at the USDA Stockton Service Center, 7585 S. Longe Street, Stockton CA 95206.

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

USDA Stockton Service Center  
7585 S. Longe Street, Stockton, CA 95206  
**Thursday, August 17, 2017 - 12:00 am– 2:00 pm**

**Agenda**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER**
  - ROLL CALL/INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS
  - ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA - LAST MINUTE ADDITIONS/DELETIONS
  - PUBLIC COMMENTS - LIMITED TO 3 MINUTES/SPEAKER
- 2. CONSENT AGENDA** (including minutes of the July 20, 2017 meeting)
- 3. TREASURER'S REPORT:** presentation of bills, income Received
- 4. IRRIGATED LANDS REGULATORY PROGRAM**
  - A. Financial Report
  - B. Steering Committee
  - C. Membership Report
  - D. Program Report
  - E. Sediment Erosion Control Plan
  - F. Regional Monitoring Program
- 5. NEW BUSINESS**
  - B. Paradise Cut-Insurance, ESA Contract, Quarterly Invoicing
  - C. DWR Grant- Ceres Imaging
  - D. SWEEP – Contacted for 2 more
- 6. NRCS UPDATE**
  - A. EQUIP
  - B. Personnel
- 7. RESOURCES**
  - A. Ag Commissioner's Report
  - B. San Joaquin Farm Bureau Report
  - C. CRAE Report
  - D. RCD Administrator/Watershed Coordinator Report
- 8. COMMUNICATIONS**
- 9. CLOSED SESSION**
  - A. Significant Exposure to litigation pursuant to subsection (b) of Section 54956.9 (1) SWRCB Petition Proceedings.
  - B. Personnel matters
- 10. ADJOURN**

The next meeting of the San Joaquin County Resource Conservation District is scheduled for 12:00 noon  
Thursday, September 21, 2017 at the USDA Stockton Service Center, 7585 S. Longe Street, Stockton CA 95206.

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

USDA Stockton Service Center  
7585 S. Longe Street, Stockton, CA 95206  
**Thursday, August 17, 2017, 12:00 am– 2:00 pm**

## **Minutes**

### **CALL TO ORDER**

President Richard Rodriguez called the meeting to order at 12:14 pm.

### **ATTENDANCE**

Members of the Board present include Richard Rodriguez, Phil Balmat, John Thoming, Jack Hamm, Diego Olagaray, Molly Watkins, Marden Wilber, Julianne Phillips (SJFB), Ora Van Steyn (NRCS), Ruth Mulrooney (Coalition), Mike Wackman (Coalition), Shasta Burns (SJCRCD).

### **MEETING AGENDA**

A motion to accept the regular meeting minutes from the July 20, 2017 Board Meeting, and the Agenda for the August 17, 2017 with the correction of the additional agenda item under New Business adding A. Twin Tunnels, Regular Board Meeting, made by Mr. Hamm, second Mr. Thoming. Motion passed unanimously.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

No public comments at this time.

### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

A presentation of all bills received for the month. A motion to pay all invoices presented in the meeting packet and supplemental packet made by Mr. Thoming, second by Mr. Balmat. Motion passed unanimously.

### **IRRIGATED LANDS REGULATORY PROGRAM**

- A. Financial Report** – A motion to receive and file all invoices for the month, with an addition of a Spaletta Law bill, retainer fee for Sarah Lucchetti's insurance, and additional reimbursement for Sediment Erosion Control Binders for growers purchased at Staples made by Mr. Olagaray, second by Mr. Hamm. Motion passed unanimously. Mr. Wackman reviewed Irrigated Lands Financial Statement and income received from Membership income including the BAC Debit Account. Internet issues at the Coalition office due to the growth of recent data added to the system. New internet options are being discussed. A motion to approve Mr. Wackman to move forward in researching and signing a contract for internet services at the Coalition Office with an amount not to exceed \$1500.00 made by Mr. Balmat, second by Mr. Wilber. Motion passed unanimously.
- B. Steering Committee** – Lightly attended August meeting. A review of new testing being done. Meeting minutes presented by Ms. Mulrooney. Mill tax for fertilizers for CV Salts explained. Money collected would go to communities with nitrate issues. The State Water Board will hold all the funds, and explained potential programs that this money will go towards. Informational item only.
- C. Membership Report** – Ms. Mulrooney reported Regional Water Board of a list of growers that have not filled out a Farm Evaluation this year or last year. Member portal will be live in the next week. Ability to check membership and items that are missing. Access information will be directly mailed to the grower.

- D.** Program Report – No huge problems at this time. No exceedances lately. Waiting for the launch of the portal. Changes are being made to make it more grower and user friendly. Will be up and running by the time grower meetings are held. New water testing will start in the coming months.
- E.** Sediment Erosion Control Plan – Sarah L. is just about finished helping growers.
- F.** Regional Monitoring Program – Mr. Wackman reviewed current monitoring. Certified letters are being sent out by the Regional Board. Efforts to help growers with emails and phone calls are done by the Coalition office. Growers are stopping in the office for help with paperwork.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- A.** Twin Tunnels – Postponed until September meeting.
- B.** Paradise Cut – Mr. Balmat reviewed an email update from John Cain on the latest agreements and discussions with the landowners on the Borges/Machado property. Having a hard time coming up with an appraised value that the landowners think is appropriate. Central Valley Farmland Trust, American Rivers, and the owner of the existing agricultural conservation easement, have preliminarily agreed to convene an independent evaluation of the acquisition. Meeting will happen on August 22, 2017. The ESA Contract was approved in prior meetings upon approval from General Counsel. ESA contract can be signed and finalized.
- C.** DWR Grant- Official grant has been signed and a physical copy has been sent to the Department of Water Resources for final execution. Moving forward after executed, invoicing to growers will be sent.
- D. SWEEP** – Ms. Burns has been staying current on recent webinars and special conference calls taking place. Proof of insurance has been sent, and now waiting on landowners to finish projects.

## **NRCS UPDATE**

- A.** EQIP – Good EQIP year. Almost to \$6 million dollars in EQIP money for the year so far. Irrigation systems, cover crop, rangeland, and air quality projects have been funded so far.
- B.** Personnel – Still on a global hiring freeze and operating on 77% and will remain on a freeze for the months to come. USDA does have the ability to hire student interns. Review of

## **RESOURCES**

- A.** Ag Commissioner's Report – n/a
- B.** San Joaquin Farm Bureau Report – Cannabis report from Ms. Phillips, along with water issues in Southern California.
- C.** CRAE Report – Ms. Watkins reported on meeting held in Sacramento. Roundtable ideas from the meeting were discussed. A letter was written to understand that the Farm Bill is important to California. Idea of the letter is to give some background of what is the Farm Bill.
- D.** RCD Administrator/Watershed Coordinator Report – Ms. Burns reported that there will be a meeting on August 18<sup>th</sup>.

**COMMUNICATIONS** – No communications at this time.

## **CLOSED SESSION**

Entered into closed session at 1:55 pm and came out of Closed Session at 2:00 pm.

A motion that Sarah Lucchetti be paid \$75 an hour for time and preparation for SECP self-certification classes and presentation classes. Retroactive to August 1, 2017 made by Mr. Balmat, second by Mr. Hamm.



**ADJOURN**

A motion to adjourn the Board Meeting of September 21, 2017 at 2:05 pm, made by Mr. Thoming and second by Mr. Hamm. Motion passed unanimously.

The next meeting of the San Joaquin County Resource Conservation District is scheduled for 12:00 noon Thursday, September 21, 2017 at the USDA Stockton Service Center, 7585 S. Longe Street, Stockton CA 95206.

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

USDA Stockton Service Center

7585 S. Longe Street, Stockton, CA 95206

**Thursday, September 21, 2017 - 12:00 am– 2:00 pm**

**Agenda**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER**
  - ROLL CALL/INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS
  - ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA - LAST MINUTE ADDITIONS/DELETIONS
  - PUBLIC COMMENTS - LIMITED TO 3 MINUTES/SPEAKER
- 2. CONSENT AGENDA** (including minutes of the August 17, 2017 meeting)
- 3. TREASURER'S REPORT:** presentation of bills, income Received
- 4. IRRIGATED LANDS REGULATORY PROGRAM**
  - A. Financial Report
  - B. Steering Committee
  - C. Membership Report
  - D. Program Report
  - E. Sediment Erosion Control Plan
  - F. Regional Monitoring Program
- 5. NEW BUSINESS**
  - B. Paradise Cut-Insurance, ESA Contract, Quarterly Invoicing
  - C. DWR Grant- Ceres Imaging
  - D. SWEEP
  - E. Small Farm Conference
- 6. NRCS UPDATE**
  - A. EQIP
  - B. Personnel
- 7. RESOURCES**
  - A. Ag Commissioner's Report
  - B. San Joaquin Farm Bureau Report
  - C. CRAE Report
  - D. RCD Administrator/Watershed Coordinator Report
- 8. COMMUNICATIONS**
- 9. CLOSED SESSION**
  - A. Significant Exposure to litigation pursuant to subsection (b) of Section 54956.9 (1) SWRCB Petition Proceedings.
  - B. Personnel matters
- 10. ADJOURN**

The next meeting of the San Joaquin County Resource Conservation District is scheduled for 12:00 noon Thursday, October 19, 2017 at the USDA Stockton Service Center, 7585 S. Longe Street, Stockton CA 95206.

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

USDA Stockton Service Center

7585 S. Longe Street, Stockton, CA 95206

**Thursday, September 21, 2017, 12:00 am– 2:00 pm**

## **Minutes**

### **CALL TO ORDER**

President Richard Rodriguez called the meeting to order at 12:07 pm.

### **ATTENDANCE**

Members of the Board present include John Herrick, John Thoming, Phil Balmat, Richard Rodriguez, Jack Hamm, Molly Watkins, Marden Wilber, Julianne Phillips (SJFB), Ora Van Steyn (NRCS), Ruth Mulrooney (Coalition), Mike Wackman (Coalition), Shasta Burns (SJCRCDD), Margaret Smither-Kopperl (NRCS), Kamal Bagri (Ag Commissioner office).

### **MEETING AGENDA**

A motion to accept the regular meeting minutes from the August 19, 2017 Board Meeting, and the Agenda for the September 21, 2017 with the correction in Closed Session, noting the “Board came out of Closed Session and made a motion. “Motion for the rate of pay increase for Sarah Lucchetti, made by Mr. Hamm, second Mr. Thoming. Motion passed unanimously.”

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

No public comments at this time.

### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

A presentation of all bills received for the month. A motion to pay all invoices presented in the meeting packet and supplemental packet made by Mr. Herrick, second by Mr. Watkins. Motion passed unanimously.

### **IRRIGATED LANDS REGULATORY PROGRAM**

- A.** Financial Report – Mr. Wackman reviewed annual administrative fee being transferred to the RCD account. Reviewed membership dues received and late notices will be mailed this week. Sarah Lucchetti's retainer fee for insurance will be paid out of the RCD General Account. Questions from the Board regarding Annual Farm Evaluations, and budgeted items. A motion to receive and file all invoices for the month of September, made by Mr. Herrick, second by Mr. Thoming. Motion passed unanimously. Mr. Wackman reviewed Irrigated Lands Financial Statement and income received from Membership income including the BAC Debit Account.
- B.** Steering Committee – No Steering Committee meeting for the month of September.
- C.** Membership Report – Ms. Mulrooney reported on non-paying memberships for 2017. Following up with Regional Water Board Noncompliance Farm Evaluations. Mr. Wackman addressed the Board about Sarah Lucchetti possibly helping other RCS's in Northern California with their Sediment Erosion Control Plans. Mr. Wackman will draft an MOU for the October Board Meeting for review. Member portal is live and available to growers. Access information will be directly mailed to the grower. Hours for continuing education classes for the Nitrogen Management classes will be available to attend next year.
- D.** Program Report – No huge problems at this time. No exceedances lately. Waiting for the launch of the

portal. Changes are being made to make it more grower and user friendly. Will be up and running by the time grower meetings are held. New water testing will start in the coming months.

- E.** Sediment Erosion Control Plan – Sarah Lucchetti is finished with growers in the Coalitions jurisdiction, and Mr. Wackman will be talking with other Northern California RCD's to help with landowners with overlapping boundaries.
- F.** Regional Monitoring Program – Mr. Wackman reported no update at this time.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- A.** Paradise Cut – Mr. Balmat reviewed an email update from John Cain on the latest agreements and discussions with the landowners on the Borges/Machado property.
- C** DWR Grant- Official grant has been signed and a physical copy has been sent to the Department of Water Resources for final execution. A final copy has been accepted. Moving forward after executed, invoicing to growers will be sent this month.
- D.** SWEEP – Two evaluations have been completed and turned in to CDFA for final payments.
- E.** Small Farm Conference – Ms. Watkins asked the Board if the RCD can donate a basket to the conference. Donations will be collected at the October Board Meeting.

## **NRCS UPDATE**

- A.** Ms. Smither-Kopperl reported on recent repairs done at the PMC. Recent trials at the PMC have had great success. Invitation to visit and see the progress that has been made in cover crop trials. Planting different cover crops for this coming Fall season. New topics for Open House discussions are welcomed.  
Ms. Van Steyn reported on EQIP – Good EQIP year. Getting ready for the next EQIP year.
- B.** Personnel – Farm Bill Agreement is coming to an end, and closing the agreement next month. Four positions vacant at the Stockton office. Hiring freeze is starting to lift.

## **RESOURCES**

- A.** Ag Commissioner's Report – Ms. Bagri reported on regulation changes on 2017 Worker Health Regulations. Field worker training regulations will be annual instead of five-year plans. Pesticides in school's restriction reporting starts January 1, 2018.
- B.** San Joaquin Farm Bureau Report – Cannabis report from Ms. Phillips, along with water issues in Southern California.
- C.** CRAE Report – Ms. Watkins reported there will be a meeting held next week.
- D.** RCD Administrator/Watershed Coordinator Report – Ms. Burns reported Beeler Award recipient and the EBMUD BBQ this month.

**COMMUNICATIONS** – Mr. Thoming would like to make arrangements for the Christmas meeting that will be held at Dave Wong's.

**CLOSED SESSION** – No closed session at this meeting.

## **ADJOURN**

A motion to adjourn the Board Meeting of September 21, 2017 at 1:33 pm, made by Mr. Balmat and second by Mr. Hamm. Motion passed unanimously.

The next meeting of the San Joaquin County Resource Conservation District is scheduled for 12:00 noon Thursday, October 19, 2017 at the USDA Stockton Service Center, 7585 S. Longe Street, Stockton CA 95206.

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

USDA Stockton Service Center  
7585 S. Longe Street, Stockton, CA 95206  
**Thursday, October 19, 2017 - 12:00 am– 2:00 pm**

**Agenda**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER**  
ROLL CALL/INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS  
ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA - LAST MINUTE ADDITIONS/DELETIONS  
PUBLIC COMMENTS - LIMITED TO 3 MINUTES/SPEAKER
- 2. CONSENT AGENDA** (including minutes of the September 21, 2017 meeting)
- 3. TREASURER'S REPORT:** presentation of bills, income Received
- 4. IRRIGATED LANDS REGULATORY PROGRAM**
  - A. Financial Report
  - B. Steering Committee
  - C. Membership Report
  - D. Program Report
  - E. Sediment Erosion Control Plan
  - F. Regional Monitoring Program
  - G. UC Davis Collaboration
- 5. NEW BUSINESS**
  - B. Paradise Cut- Quarterly Invoicing
  - C. DWR Grant- Ceres Imaging
- 6. NRCS UPDATE**
  - A. EQIP
  - B. Personnel
- 7. RESOURCES**
  - A. Ag Commissioner's Report
  - B. San Joaquin Farm Bureau Report
  - C. CRAE Report
  - D. RCD Administrator/Watershed Coordinator Report
- 8. COMMUNICATIONS**
- 9. CLOSED SESSION**
  - A. Personnel matters
- 10. ADJOURN**

The next meeting of the San Joaquin County Resource Conservation District is scheduled for 12:00 noon  
Thursday, November 16, 2017 at the USDA Stockton Service Center, 7585 S. Longe Street, Stockton CA 95206.

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

USDA Stockton Service Center  
7585 S. Longe Street, Stockton, CA 95206  
**Thursday, October 19, 2017, 12:00 am– 2:00 pm**

## **Minutes**

### **CALL TO ORDER**

President Richard Rodriguez called the meeting to order at 12:13 pm.

### **ATTENDANCE**

Members of the Board present include John Herrick, John Thoming, Phil Balmat, Richard Rodriguez, Jack Hamm, Molly Watkins, Marden Wilber, Julianne Phillips (SJFB), Ora Van Steyn (NRCS), Ruth Mulrooney (Coalition), Mike Wackman (Coalition), Shasta Burns (SJCRCD), Margaret Smither-Kopperl (NRCS), Kamal Bagri (Ag Commissioner office).

### **MEETING AGENDA**

A motion to accept the regular meeting Minutes from the September 21, 2017 Board Meeting, and the Agenda for the October 19, 2017 A motion to accept the Minutes and Agenda as presented made by Mr. Hamm, second Mr. Balmat. Motion passed unanimously.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

No public comments at this time.

### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

A presentation of all bills received for the month. A motion to pay all invoices presented in the meeting packet and supplemental packet made by Mr. Koster, second by Mr. Hamm. Motion passed unanimously.

### **IRRIGATED LANDS REGULATORY PROGRAM**

- A.** Financial Report – Mr. Wackman reviewed financial statement, and line items for Michael L. Johnson Portal. Correction to portal costs and data entry items will be addressed at the November Board Meeting. A motion to receive and file all invoices for the month of October, made by Mr. Herrick, second by Mr. Thoming. Motion passed unanimously.
- B.** Steering Committee – Coalition Deposits were discussed; late post cards were mailed to landowners who have not paid. The water has been pretty clear this year so far. Recent activity in the water were discussed. The Coalition will now be testing for new protocols for pesticides. Membership Report – Ms. Mulrooney reported late payment postcards that have been coming in. The next letter on Nitrogen Management Reports going out at the end of the month. 2017 Reports have been completed and are in 100% compliance.
- C.** Program Report – Discussion from General Counsel Spaletta on the new State Water Resources Control Board Order. Summary report handed out on what the SWRCB is proposing. All Coalition conference call will be held on Friday. Schedule Discussion – December 6<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 am will be a Public Workshop held in Sacramento. Written comments are due on December 15<sup>th</sup>. Specific details and reporting plans were discussed with changes that will be added. A subcommittee meeting will be held on December 12<sup>th</sup> with Jack Hamm, Richard Rodriguez, Molly Watkins, and Diego Olagaray will form the Subcommittee at

1:00 pm at Farm Bureau.

- D.** Sediment Erosion Control Plan – No update at this time
- E.** Regional Monitoring Program – Groundwater Trend Monitoring Program is looking to collaborate a valley wide effort with checking well water for nitrates. Discussions with the Board about joining a Regional Monitoring type program were discussed and will table until the November Board Meeting.
- F.** UC Davis Collaboration – Sat Darshin from UC Extension gave a brief presentation. FREP Grant details discussed and data that they would like to be able to collect to help our Coalition, and to help the extension for educational purposes. Mail survey is being asked to send out to our growers. The Board will discuss at the November Board Meeting. A motion to deny request for grower address list made by Mr. Balmat, second by Mr. Wilber. Motion passed unanimously.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- A.** Paradise Cut – Ms. Burns reported on Kick Off Meeting Conference call and reviewed the memo sent out by John Cain from American Rivers.
- C.** DWR Grant- A Workshop will be held on November 1<sup>st</sup> at UC Davis.
- D.** SWEEP – Two evaluations have been completed and turned in to CDFA for final payments.
- E.** Small Farm Conference – Ms. Watkins asked the Board if the RCD can donate a basket to the conference. Donations will be collected at the October Board Meeting.

## **NRCS UPDATE**

- A.** Ms. Van Steyn reported on EQIP – Getting ready for the next EQIP year. Low staffing and temporary budgets were discussed.
- B.** Personnel – Farm Bill Agreement ended and final invoicing has been sent.

## **RESOURCES**

- A.** Ag Commissioner's Report – Ms. Bagri reported renewing permits and will be issued on December 1<sup>st</sup>. New pesticide application regulations are being discussed and new laws are being developed. Private applicator workshop meetings are scheduled to be held at the Ag Commissioners office. Hemp ordinance went to the Board on September 26<sup>th</sup> and passed. Notices have been sent to growers for abatement.
- B.** San Joaquin Farm Bureau Report – No report at this time.
- C.** CRAE Report – No report at this time.
- D.** RCD Administrator/Watershed Coordinator Report – No report at this time.

**COMMUNICATIONS** – December Board Meeting will be held at Dave Wong's on December 20<sup>th</sup> - 11:00 am

**CLOSED SESSION** – No closed session at this meeting.

## **ADJOURN**

A motion to adjourn the Board Meeting of October 19, 2017 at 1:33 pm, made by Mr. Hamm and second by Mr. Wilber. Motion passed unanimously.

The next meeting of the San Joaquin County Resource Conservation District is scheduled for 12:00 noon Thursday, November 16, 2017 at the USDA Stockton Service Center, 7585 S. Longe Street, Stockton CA 95206.

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

USDA Stockton Service Center  
7585 S. Longe Street, Stockton, CA 95206  
**Thursday, November 16, 2017 - 12:00 am– 2:00 pm**

**Agenda**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER**  
ROLL CALL/INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS  
ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA - LAST MINUTE ADDITIONS/DELETIONS  
PUBLIC COMMENTS - LIMITED TO 3 MINUTES/SPEAKER
- 2. CONSENT AGENDA** (including minutes of the October 19, 2017 meeting)
- 3. TREASURER'S REPORT:** presentation of bills, income Received
- 4. IRRIGATED LANDS REGULATORY PROGRAM**
  - A. Financial Report
  - B. Steering Committee
  - C. Membership Report
  - D. Program Report
  - E. Sediment Erosion Control Plan
  - F. Regional Monitoring Program
- 5. NEW BUSINESS**
  - B. Paradise Cut
  - C. DWR Grant- Ceres Imaging
- 6. NRCS UPDATE**
  - A. EQIP
  - B. Personnel
- 7. RESOURCES**
  - A. Ag Commissioner's Report
  - B. San Joaquin Farm Bureau Report
  - C. CRAE Report
  - D. RCD Administrator/Watershed Coordinator Report
- 8. COMMUNICATIONS**
- 9. CLOSED SESSION**
  - A. Significant Exposure to litigation pursuant to subsection (b) of Section 54956.9 (1) SWRCB Petition Proceedings.
  - B. Personnel matters
- 10. ADJOURN**

The next meeting of the San Joaquin County Resource Conservation District is scheduled for 12:00 noon Thursday, December 21, 2017 at Dave Wong's Restaurant, 2828 W. March Lane, Stockton CA 95207



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

USDA Stockton Service Center  
7585 S. Longe Street, Stockton, CA 95206  
**Thursday, November 16, 2017, 12:00 am– 2:00 pm**

## **Minutes**

### **CALL TO ORDER**

President Richard Rodriguez called the meeting to order at 12:09 pm.

### **ATTENDANCE**

Members of the Board present include John Herrick, Phil Balmat, Richard Rodriguez, Jack Hamm, Marden Wilber, Bill Koster, Ora Van Steyn (NRCS), Mike Wackman (Coalition), Shasta Burns (SJCRCD), Tim Pelican (Ag Commissioner office).

### **MEETING AGENDA**

A motion to accept the regular meeting minutes from the October 19, 2017 Board Meeting, and the Agenda for the November 16, 2017 with the correction in Closed Session, noting the “Board came out of Closed Session and made a motion. “Motion for the rate of pay increase for Sarah Lucchetti, made by Mr.Koster, second Mr. Wilber. Motion passed unanimously.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

School Districts are being targeted for defined boundary line for Special District Boundaries. Trustees are not elected in Special District by divisions. Conservation Districts are divided differently than Special Districts not at large.

### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

A presentation of all bills received for the month. A motion to pay all invoices presented in the meeting packet and supplemental packet made by Mr. Herrick, second by Mr. Hamm. Motion passed unanimously.

### **IRRIGATED LANDS REGULATORY PROGRAM**

- A.** Financial Report – Mr. Wackman reviewed budget update fix that was emailed out to the Board. New annual membership invoice for CVSalts was invoiced in the amount of \$25,000 and a late comcast and Spaletta law bill. A motion to receive and file all invoices for the month of November, made by Mr. Koster, second by Mr. Wilber. Motion passed unanimously.
- B.** Steering Committee – Mr. Wackman gave an update on behalf of Ruth. Updated the meeting held earlier this week. Minutes provided in the Board Meeting Supplemental Packet. The Board is encouraging Mr. Wackman to become the head chair of the Delta Regional Monitoring Program. The Board is in favor and thinks it would be beneficial to the Steering Committee. Mr. Balmat, be it resolved that the SJCRCD Board encourages mike to take the position of Co-Chair for the Delta Regional Monitoring Program, second by Mr. Hamm.
- C.** Membership Report – Black and white and color copies of the 2018 Membership Packet and Board preference was asked for the convenience of the grower reading. A motion to print 2018 Membership packets in color made by Mr. Herrick, second by Mr. Hamm. Motion passed unanimously. Water Board sent out letters to the landowners for Nitrogen Management Plans. Letters have been sent to the correct name, but the wrong APN number. The Water Board is working on fixing this issue, and Ruth and

Wendy have been assisting in the fix with Landowners. Requests for a you tube tutorial are being asked by growers for the new member portal and will be discussed at the December Board Meeting and will require additional costs.

- D.** Program Report – No huge problems at this time. No exceedances lately. Small exceedances that have been tested were listed.
- E.** Sediment Erosion Control Plan – Sarah Lucchetti continues to help landowners as needed and is an asset to have at the Coalition
- F.** Regional Monitoring Program – No major reports at this time.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- A.** Paradise Cut – Mr. Balmat reviewed an email update from John Cain on the latest agreements and discussions with the landowners on the Borges/Machado property. Reported more progress has been made regarding the planning tasks. Mr. Balmat read a memo emailed from John Cain at American Rivers.
- B.** DWR Grant- No new updates at this time. Invoices have been sent out and are being paid now.

## **NRCS UPDATE**

- A.** Ms. Smither-Kopperl was not here but reported on her Soil Health Summit and will be presenting at the conference at the PMC and Pollinators this week. All PMC studies are planted at this time. Ms. Van Steyn reported on EQIP – Batching period in January. About fifty applications at this time.
- B.** Personnel – Ora is now acting DC at two other locations at this time. NCARCD

## **RESOURCES**

- A.** Ag Commissioner's Report – Mr. Pelican reported on recent cannabis orders and laws. Electronic notification system was developed for the pesticide buffer zone ordinance regulations.
- B.** San Joaquin Farm Bureau Report –No report at this time
- C.** CRAE Report – No report at this time.
- D.** RCD Administrator/Watershed Coordinator Report – Ms. Burns reported there will be a meeting held at the Grape Commission in Lodi. The Watershed agreement will end at the end of December. The Board would

**COMMUNICATIONS** – December Christmas meeting that will be held at Dave Wong's at 11:00 am.

**CLOSED SESSION** – The Board entered into Closed Session at 12:50 pm – 1:32 pm. No reportable action.

## **ADJOURN**

A motion to adjourn the Board Meeting of December 21, 2017 at 2:14 pm, made by Mr. Balmat and second by Mr. Hamm. Motion passed unanimously.

The next meeting of the San Joaquin County Resource Conservation District is scheduled for 11:00 am, Thursday, December 21, 2017 at Dave Wong's, Stockton CA 95206.

**SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT**  
**\*\*SPECIAL\*\* BOARD MEETING**

SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY FARM BUREAU  
3290 Ad Art Road, Stockton, CA 95215

**WEDNESDAY, November 29, 2017 – 10:00 am**

**Agenda**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

ROLL CALL/INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA - LAST MINUTE ADDITIONS/DELETIONS

PUBLIC COMMENTS - LIMITED TO 3 MINUTES/SPEAKER

**2. ACTION ITEM:**

a. National Association of Conservation Districts – State Conservation Partnership

**3. ADJOURN**

The next meeting of the San Joaquin County Resource Conservation District is scheduled for 12:00 noon  
Thursday, December 21, 2017 at Dave Wong's Restaurant, 2828 W. March Lane, Stockton CA 95207

**SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT  
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING**

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

**Wednesday, November 29, 2017, 10:00 am**

**Minutes**

**CALL TO ORDER**

President Richard Rodriguez called the meeting to order at 10:07 pm.

**ATTENDANCE**

Members of the Board present include Bill Koster, John Thoming, Ruth Mulrooney, Molly Watkins, Richard Rodriguez, Ora VanSteyn, Marden Wilber, Phil Balmat, Jack Hamm, and Diego Olagaray.

**MEETING AGENDA**

A motion to accept the Special Board Meeting Agenda for Wednesday November 29, 2017 as presented made by Mr. Koster, second Ms. Watkins. Motion passed unanimously.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

No public comments at this time.

**ACTION ITEMS**

- a. National Association of Conservation Districts – State Conservation Partnership. A motion to move forward to pursue the National Association of Conservation District Grant, and spend up to \$14,000 of RCD funds for a contractor, plus expenses made by Mr. Hamm, second by Mr. Wilber. Motion passed unanimously.

**COMMUNICATIONS** – December Board Meeting will be held at Dave Wong's on December 21<sup>st</sup> - 11:00 am

**ADJOURN**

A motion to adjourn the Special Board Meeting of November 29, 2017 at 11:00 am, made by Mr. Hamm and second by Mr. Wilber. Motion passed unanimously.

The next meeting of the San Joaquin County Resource Conservation District is scheduled for 11:00 am, Thursday, December 21, 2017 at the Dave Wong's Restaurant, 2828 W. March Lane, Stockton CA 95206.

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

Dave Wong's Restaurant  
2828 W. March Lane, Stockton, CA 95207  
**Thursday, December 21, 2017 - 11:00 am**

**Agenda**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER**  
ROLL CALL/INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS  
ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA - LAST MINUTE ADDITIONS/DELETIONS  
PUBLIC COMMENTS - LIMITED TO 3 MINUTES/SPEAKER
- 2. CONSENT AGENDA** (including minutes of the November 19, 2017 Regular Board Meeting and Special Board Meeting of November 29, 2017)
- 3. TREASURER'S REPORT:** presentation of bills, income Received
- 4. IRRIGATED LANDS REGULATORY PROGRAM**
  - A. Financial Report
  - B. Steering Committee
  - C. Membership Report
  - D. Program Report
  - E. Sediment Erosion Control Plan
  - F. Regional Monitoring Program
- 5. NEW BUSINESS**
  - A. Election of Officers
  - B. Paradise Cut
  - C. DWR Grant- Ceres Imaging
- 6. NRCS UPDATE**
  - A. EQIP
  - B. Personnel
- 7. RESOURCES**
  - A. Ag Commissioner's Report
  - B. San Joaquin Farm Bureau Report
  - C. CRAE Report
  - D. RCD Administrator/Watershed Coordinator Report
- 8. COMMUNICATIONS**
- 9. CLOSED SESSION**
  - A. Significant Exposure to litigation pursuant to subsection (b) of Section 54956.9 (1) SWRCB Petition Proceedings.
  - B. Personnel matters
- 10. ADJOURN**

The next meeting of the San Joaquin County Resource Conservation District is scheduled for 12:00 noon  
Thursday, January 18, 2017 – USDA Stockton Service Center, 7585 S. Longe Street, Stockton, CA 95206

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

Dave Wong's Restaurant  
2828 W. March Lane, Stockton, CA 95207  
**Thursday, December 21, 2017, 11:00 am**

## **Minutes**

### **CALL TO ORDER**

President Richard Rodriguez called the meeting to order at 11:05 am.

### **ATTENDANCE**

Members of the Board present include Richard Rodriguez, Phil Balmat, John Herrick, Jack Hamm, Ruth Mulrooney (Coalition), John Thoming, Molly Watkins, Marden Wilber, Bill Koster, Ora Van Steyn (NRCS), Margaret Smither- Kopperl (NRCS), Shasta Burns (SJCRCD), Jennifer Spaletta (Spaletta Law), John Cain (American Rivers), and Steve Kritscher (Kritscher Associates).

### **MEETING AGENDA**

A motion to accept the regular meeting minutes from the November 19, 2017, the Special Board Meeting Minutes from November 29, 2017, and the Agenda for December 21, 2017, made by Mr. Hamm, second Mr. Herrick. Motion passed unanimously.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

No Public Comments at this time.

### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

A presentation of all bills received for the month. A motion to pay all invoices presented in the meeting packet and supplemental packet, with the addition of a Sediment Erosion Control Plan Binder reimbursement for Sarah Lucchetti, and a CRAE Meeting Reimbursement for Molly Watkins, made by Mr. Hamm, second by Mr. Wilber. Motion passed unanimously.

### **IRRIGATED LANDS REGULATORY PROGRAM**

- A.** Financial Report – Monthly Financial statements were reviewed from the Board Meeting packet. A motion to approve and file all monthly financials with the addition of a late HydroFocus bill and to update Comcast Billing to monthly auto pay on the Coalition Debit card made by Mr. Hamm, second by Mr. Wilber. Motion passed unanimously.
- B.** Steering Committee – Steering Committee Minutes were reviewed by Ms. Mulrooney.
- C.** Membership Report – Ms. Mulrooney reported that the Regional Board is reaching out to Growers that have not turned in their Nitrogen Management Plans. Non-compliance will result in a monetary fine. Also, the Coalition is still receiving late payments.
- D.** Program Report – Ms. Mulrooney reported that the water has mostly been clean. No major reports have been made.
- E.** Sediment Erosion Control Plan – No report at this time.
- F.** Regional Monitoring Program – No report at this time.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

- A.** Paradise Cut – John Cain from American Rivers and Steve Kritscher with Kritscher Associates briefed

the Board on the Borges Machado easement and the possibility of negotiating to an agreed upon price. Mr. Cain also reported on the Paradise Cut Independent Panel Easement Review and answers submitted and the future steps this project will take. The final report conclusion states that the flood easement will not change the Agriculture use on the Borges Machado property. Mr. Cain will be attending the Farm Bureau meeting in January on Land Use.

- B.** DWR Grant- No new updates at this time.

#### **NRCS UPDATE**

- A.** Ms. Smither-Kopperl reported that the PMC is wrapping up the best year they have ever had! The PMC hosted 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> graders from local elementary schools in Lodi for tours and projects. Ms. Smither-Kopperl also suggested a new agreement for Shawn Vue at the PMC that will be expiring in March of 2018. The PMC will also be hosting a cover crop training on March 14, 2018.

#### **RESOURCES**

- A.** Ag Commissioner's Report – No report at this time.
- B.** San Joaquin Farm Bureau Report –No report at this time
- C.** CRAE Report – Ms. Watkins reported on last months meeting attended. Ms. Watkins passed out a flyer from the Roundtable on Agriculture & the Environment.
- D.** RCD Administrator/Watershed Coordinator Report – Ms. Burns reported Watershed agreement will end at the end of December. Final invoicing will be submitted for reimbursement.

**COMMUNICATIONS** – General Counsel Spaletta reviewed the East San Joaquin Order changes and Draft Comments. No action taken at this time.

**CLOSED SESSION** – No closed session at this time.

#### **ADJOURN**

A motion to adjourn the Board Meeting of December 21, 2017 at 2:14 pm, made by Mr. Balmat and second by Mr. Hamm. Motion passed unanimously.

The next meeting of the San Joaquin County Resource Conservation District is scheduled for 12 noon at the NRCS- Stockton Service Center. 7585 South Longe Street, Stockton, CA 95206