



Yolo County Resource Conservation District

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS-REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Date: Wednesday, April 12, 2017

Time: 5:05pm – 7:25pm

Location: Yolo County RCD Office, 221 West Court Street, Suite 1, Woodland, CA

Directors Present: Giovanni Ferrendelli (President), Michael Leacox (Vice President), Mark Cady (Secretary), and Mike Turkovich

Directors Absent: Robin Schlosser

Associate Directors Present: Suellen Witham

Associate Directors Absent: Dave Gilmer, Ali Pahlavanian, Benjamin Leacox, Rudy Lucero, Dwight Holford

Others Present: Heather Nichols, Phil Hogan, Fanny Ye, Sheila Pratt, Joanne Heraty, and Brandon Baker

1. **Call Meeting to Order – Giovanni Ferrendelli, President:** The meeting was called to order by President Ferrendelli.
2. **Approval of Agenda and Minutes:** ACTION: Approve the agenda: MOTION: Leacox, SECOND: Cady. AYES: Unanimous (Leacox, Turkovich, Cady, Ferrendelli). ACTION: Approve the March 8, 2017 meeting minutes: MOTION: Leacox, SECOND: Turkovich. AYES: Unanimous (Leacox, Turkovich, Cady, Ferrendelli).
3. **Public Comment:** None
4. **Special Presentation:**
 - a. **Staff Report:** Joanne Heraty, Project Manager and Brandon Baker, Field Technician II presented on the Yolo Creek and Community Partnership project.
5. **Approval and Payment of Claims:** ACTION: Approval of claims: MOTION: Leacox. SECOND: Turkovich. AYES: Unanimous (Leacox, Turkovich, Cady, Ferrendelli).
6. **Regular Reports:**
 - a. **NRCS Update:** Phil Hogan, NRCS District Conservationist. Hogan reported on NRCS participation at the SECP self-certification workshops and mentioned technical assistance they have provided to a few landowners interested in addressing erosion on their properties. Fanny gave an update on EQIP and the orientation tours for new employees.
 - b. **Executive Director's Report:** Heather Nichols, Executive Director. Nichols RCD received two range camp applications and two sponsorships. We have allocated 9 of the 10 mobile lab irrigation evaluations available through RCD of Tehama County's new Mobile Irrigation Lab program. The Yanci ranch tour for the Yocha Dehe Community Fund tour went very well. The Sac Valley CARCD Regional Spring Meeting is 4/26/17, and the CARCD Annual Conference is 11/15-11/18 in Sacramento. Past Projects tour will be on 4/25/17. There are several grant programs releasing their RFPs this year, and we're working with a variety of partners to identify quality projects to propose.
 - i. **Financial Report:** Nichols presented updated financials graphics. Gio requested 1) Annual Budget Draft a week prior to the May meeting. 2) Dashboard included in the annual work plan, 3) present the budget planning and financial on PowerPoint, 4) simplified graphics, 5) value and timelines of current projects will drop off and when new projects get started.
 - c. **Board Member Reports and Comments:** None.
7. **Discussion (30 min):**
 - a. **Final Draft of RCD Capacity Building Scope of Work:** Nichols provided an update on the Department of Conservation's RCD Financial Assistance program and estimated that we



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can expect around \$44,000. She reviewed the work plan, which will be focused on improving relevance, excellence and visibility of the Yolo County RCD.

8. New Business:

a. **Approve Resolution 2017-01 Authorizing Submittal of a Funding Request to California Department of Conservation's RCD Assistance Program: ACTION: Approve Resolution 2017-01 as presented. MOTION: Leacox, SECOND: Cady. Ayes: Unanimous (Leacox, Turkovich, Cady, Ferrendelli).

9. Confirm Next Regular Meeting Date and Location: Wednesday, May 10, 2017 at 5:05 pm at the Yolo County RCD Office.

10. Adjourn: Meeting adjourned at 7:25 pm.

Minutes Respectfully Submitted by: Mark Cady, Board Secretary, and Heather Nichols, Executive Director. Approved on May 17, 2017 by the Yolo County Resource Conservation District Board.

By:


Board Secretary, Mark Cady