



# Yolo County Resource Conservation District

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## BOARD OF DIRECTORS - REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

**Date:** Wednesday July 20, 2022

**Time:** 5:10 – 6:45 pm

**Location (Hybrid):** Yolo County RCD Office, 221 Court Street, Suite 1, Woodland CA

**Directors Present:** Mark Cady (President), Mike Turkovich (Vice President), Anya Perron-Burdick (Secretary), Miranda Driver, Eric Willson

**Directors Absent:** None

**Others Present:** Heather Nichols, Phil Hogan, Lani Fulcher, Jake Campos, Kate Reza, Grace Ferguson, Amy Williams.

1. **Call Meeting to Order and Introductions** – The meeting was called to order at 5:10 pm by Mike Turkovich, Vice President. Introductions were made.
2. **\*\*Approval to Restate Resolution 2021-01:**  
ACTION: Approve Resolution 2021-01 for an additional 30 days to continue to allow virtual meetings because the YCRCD has reconsidered the circumstances of the state of emergency and finds that state and local officials continue to recommend social distancing. MOTION: Ms. Perron-Burdick; SECOND: Ms. Driver; AYES: Unanimous (Cady, Driver, Perron-Burdick, Turkovich, Willson).
3. **Approval of Agenda and Minutes:** ACTION: Approve the agenda and minutes of the June 16 meeting as presented. MOTION: Ms. Perron-Burdick; SECOND: Mr. Willson; AYES: Unanimous (Cady, Driver, Perron-Burdick, Turkovich, Willson).
4. **Public Comment:** This is time reserved for the public to address the RCD Board on matters not on the agenda (Gov. Code 54954.3(a)). There was no public comment.
5. **Staff Presentation:** Climate Action Plan and Carbon Farm Planning: Kate Reza presented the history, goals, and progress of the Yolo County Climate Action Plan. Grace Ferguson explained the fundamentals of Carbon Farming and its place in climate/conservation planning and future funding. Amy Williams shared an example of a previously completed Carbon Farm Plan on the Howat Ranch for the City of Davis.
6. **Ratify/Approve Expenditures (List of Checks) and Wire Transfer of Funds.** Mr. Turkovich has reviewed expenditures; ACTION: Ratify/approve expenditures as presented; MOTION: Ms. Driver; SECOND: Mr. Willson; AYES: Unanimous (Cady, Driver, Perron-Burdick, Turkovich, Willson).
7. **Regular Reports:**
  - a. **NRCS District Conservationist's Report:** Mr. Hogan reported listening to or participated in various NRCS events-- addresses from State Conservationist, meetings with landowners about groundwater, training on hiring and computer safety, and quarterly performance review. He also participated in review sessions—NRCS RCPP, quarterly leadership meeting of NRCS leadership, final coaching session, and programs conference calls. He conducted field office

staff performance reviews and wrote up awards for NRCS staff. His goal is for future RCD reports is to include more staff activities and accomplishments.

- b. RCD Executive Director's Report: Ms. Nichols reported on a grass fire on the Yolo Bypass Wildlife Area and wildlife corridor project damage from canal maintenance. She noted that insurance may not cover the forage loss resulting from the fire but RCD is working with the lease holders to mitigate grassland forage damage. Important to note is that RCD reacted responsibly and professionally doing everything required.
  - i. Monthly financial report: Ms. Nichols reviewed the financial reports and explained that the numbers will change once the quarterly invoicing is complete.
- c. Board member reports and comments: There was discussion of the protocol for Board to review expenses. Ms. Nichols reported the process of other RCDs. The Financial Committee will review the list of checks and spot check back up as needed; all financial reports and back-up materials for expenses will be available so that all Board members can spot check and ask questions during the full board meeting.

#### 8. New Business:

- a. \*\*Appoint Jake Campos to serve on the Yolo County Resource Conservation District Board as an Associate Director: MOTION: Mr. Willson motioned to appoint Mr. Campos pending resolution of the question regarding the number of signatures; SECOND: Ms. Perron-Burdick; AYES: Unanimous (Cady, Driver, Perron-Burdick, Turkovich, Willson).

#### 9. Confirm Next Meeting Date and Location: Wednesday, August 17, 2022 at 5:05pm (hybrid).

**Minutes Respectfully Submitted by:** Anya Perron-Burdick, Board Secretary, and Heather Nichols, Executive Director. Approved on August 17, 2022 by the Yolo County Resource Conservation District Board.

*Anya Perron-Burdick*

By: 08/10/2022

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Secretary, Anya Perron-Burdick