

**PLACER COUNTY RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT
MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
REGULAR MEETING
September 24, 2024**

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Placer County Resource Conservation District (District /RCD) Board was called to order by RCD Board Chair Claudia Smith, at 4:00 pm in the second-floor conference room at 11641 Blocker Drive in Auburn, CA.

MEMBERS AND OTHERS PRESENT

Directors Present: Claudia Smith
Stephen (Steve) Jones
Patricia (Patti) Beard
Kristin Lantz
Jonathan (Jon) Jue
Thomas (Tom) Wehri

Others Present: Donna Thomassen, RCD Employee
Kate Espinola, RCD Employee
Cordi Craig, RCD Employee
Chris Robbins, NRCS
Stacy Montoya Chavez, NRCS
Angela Lagneaux
Supervisor Jim Holmes

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Jon Jue moved to approve the agenda as presented. Kristin Lantz seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No comments.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Steve Jones moved to approve the meeting minutes from the regular meeting held on August 27, 2024. Jon Jue seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Donna Thomassen presented the August 2024 financial reports. It was disclosed that these reports are subject to change due to any adjusting journal entries. Kristin Lantz moved to accept the financial reports as presented. Patti Beard seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

AGENCY REPORT

Chris Robbins, District Conservationist for the NRCS Auburn Area Office reported that it is the end of their fiscal year. The Auburn NRCS office has 25 new contracts and is currently waiting for next year's dates for application deadlines. Chris introduced Stacy Montoya Chavez, their new Soil Conservationist.

BUSINESS

New Business:

a) Fiscal Year (FY) 24-25 Annual Work Plan

Tom Wehri moved to adopt the FY24-25 Annual Work Plan. Jon Jue seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

b) California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Notice of Exemption (NOE) for Prescribed Burning on Private Lands (PBPL) – Calvert RX Burn

Cordi Craig provided an explanation of the CEQA NOE for the Calvert property prescribed burn. Steve Jones moved to approve the CEQA NOE for the Calvert property prescribed burn. Tom Wehri seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

c) California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Notice of Exemption (NOE) for Prescribed Burning on Private Lands (PBPL) – Wood RX Burn

Cordi Craig provided details for the CEQA NOE for the Wood property prescribed burn. Patti Beard moved to approve the CEQA NOE for the Wood property prescribed burn. Kristin Lantz seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

d) Prescribed Fire Program Coordinator Job Description

Cordi Craig provided an explanation of the needs and tasks of the Prescribed Fire Program Coordinator. The funding for this position will be through the PBPL 2 contract. Jon Jue moved to approve the Prescribed Fire Program Coordinator job description. Steve Jones seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

e) End of Year Board Meeting Schedule

The November and December regular board meetings will be cancelled, and a special meeting will be scheduled. Discussion only.

BOARD REPORTS COMMENTS

Steve Jones provided an update from the PARS managers meeting. Claudia would like PARS to give the full board a presentation in January. Steve will be absent from the October meeting.

Claudia Smith reminded the board to stay current with their trainings.

Jon Jue reported he will be absent from the October meeting.

Supervisor Jim Holmes provided an update on local events and new funding for Placer County projects.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Future agenda items: PARS Presentation in January 2025.

ADJOURNMENT

The regular meeting was adjourned at 5:04 pm. Kristin Lantz moved to adjourn the regular meeting. Jon Jue seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. The next regular meeting is scheduled for October 22, 2024, from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm in the upstairs conference room at 11641 Blocker Drive, Auburn.