

**DIXON RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT (DRCD)  
MINUTES FOR  
FEBRUARY 12, 2014**

**DIRECTORS**

**MARK HOLDENER, PRESIDENT  
SAM BEUKELMAN  
RICK MARTINEZ  
DAVID VIGUIE**

**DIXON RCD STAFF**

**JOHN S. CURREY, DISTRICT MANAGER  
JANICE BEAMAN, OFFICE MANAGER**

**OTHER ATTENDEES**

**JIM CAMPBELL, ASSOCIATE MEMBER  
WENDY RASH, DISTRICT CONSERVATIONIST**

**1. Call the Meeting to Order**

President Holdener called the February 12, 2014, Regular Meeting to order at 12:00 p.m. at 1170 North Lincoln Street, Suite 110, Dixon, CA.

Present: President Holdener, Directors Sam Beukelman, Rick Martinez

Absent: Director Viguie

**2. Establish a Quorum**

A quorum was established.

**3. Approve the Agenda**

There was no discussion on this item.

A motion was made by Director Martinez, seconded by Director Beukelman, to approve the agenda. The motion passed as follows:

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Ayes: Beukelman, Martinez, Viguie, Holdener  
Noes: None  
Abstain: None  
Absent: None

4. Comments from the Public

None

5. Presentations

None

6. **Matters Relating to the Yolo Bypass Wildlife Area:**

- a. **Approval of Expenses - NONE.**
- b. **Activities Report – Monthly Summary of Staff’s Activities.**

Mr. Currey reported that tenant meetings are being held. He discussed water consumption and documenting usage and working on the Request of Proposal. He noted that the Department of Fish and Wildlife staff will take input from the District and the Department is leaning toward awarding the proposals based on criteria versus cost. Mr. Currey discussed defining and writing the proposal, the future land use, and future tenant use.

This item was filed.

7. **Matters relating to the DRCD/Solano RCD Water Quality Coalition (Irrigated Lands Regulatory Program):**

- a. **Approval of Expenses - NONE**
- b. **Activities Report – Monthly Summary of Staff’s Activities.**

Mr. Currey discussed a draft Memorandum of Understanding being developed between the sub-watersheds bringing all into compliance and noted that the second Irrigated Lands billing is going out and that outreach is being worked on. He discussed the State mapping being used, showing those enrolled, not enrolled, and double enrolled. He discussed the parcels and acres of prime farmland in irrigated acres. He noted that in March an Advisory Committee meeting will be held and thought about 20% could enroll in the Irrigated Lands Program. He felt for those enrollees that paying back two years, the age of the database, would be a compromise.

Director Martinez discussed having presentations by Crop Data Management System (CDMS) and Agrium and it was decided to wait until after the new order is in place to proceed. He noted that CDMS could develop a program for use, but most growers use PCA's, Agrium, or Wilbur Ellis.

This item was filed.

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### 8. **Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) Report**

Ms. Rash reported the Farm Bill has passed, thinks it is about 85% less, and because of policy changes it will be on hold. She noted that WHIP has been included in EQIP, and discussed conservation compliance, insurance compliance, who will be responsible for insurance, and seeking growers to attend a Soil Health Workshop on February 18<sup>th</sup>.

This item was filed.

### 9. **DRCD Consent Calendar:**

- a. **Approval of Minutes for the Board Meeting dated January 8, 2014.**
- b. **Approval of Expenses from January 9, 2014 – February 12, and review of the 2013 / 2014 Budget Update.**

Mr. Currey noted that the account has not been reconciled for cash on hand. He discussed having a budget adjustment in either March or April for the reimbursement from the Joint Powers Authority (JPA) for Operations and Maintenance, engineering services, and paying 25% for the Real Property Acquisition JPA.

A motion was made by Director Martinez, seconded by Director Beukelman, to approve the Consent Calendar. The motion passed as follows:

Ayes: Beukelman, Martinez, Holdener  
Noes: None  
Abstain: None  
Absent: Viguie

### 10. **Old Business**

- a. **Northeast Dixon Ag Service Area: Button Transportation Project – Receive Staff Report and consider future actions.**

Mr. Currey reported that he met with Bill Emlen, Solano County Resource Management Director, and toured the City's detention facilities, east side drain, and Button facility. He noted the plan is to meet with Supervisor Vasquez and Mayor Batchelor to discuss the next steps. He felt there is room to discuss the Ag Service area and deciding the strategy and balance to address the area. Mr. Emlen's concern was having the resources to do the work. Mr. Currey noted that there is no criterion for what agricultural supported business activities are for the Ag Service area.

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Mr. Currey discussed the Everett drain language, properties adjacent to the railroad tracks, Tremont 1 having not participated in the system financially, and the need to edit the flow of water boundary, if not correct.

Director Martinez requested the map be sent electronically or be placed on the website.

This item was filed.

### **11. New Business**

- a. **Dixon / Solano RCD Water Quality Coalition – Consider extending the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Dixon and Solano RCDs for the management of the Irrigated Lands Regulatory Program.**

Mr. Currey recommended extending the Memorandum of Understanding.

Director Martinez noted the sub-committee met and supported this.

A motion was made by Director Martinez, seconded by Director Beukelman, to extend the MOU between Dixon and Solano RCDs. The motion passed as follows:

Ayes: Beukelman, Martinez, Holdener  
Noes: None  
Abstain: None  
Absent: Viguie

### **12. DRCD Staff Reports**

None

### **13. Director's Report**

None

### **14. Communications**

None

### **15. Upcoming Events**

The next Dixon Regional Watershed Authority Board Meeting will be determined.

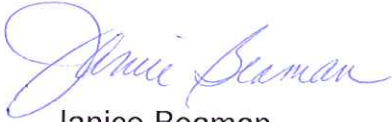
### **16. Announcements**

The next Dixon RCD Business Meeting will be March 12, 2014, at 6:00 p.m.

### **17. Adjournment**

The Dixon RCD Board meeting adjourned to the hour of 2:00 p.m.

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Janice Beaman  
Office Manager  
Dixon Resource Conservation District