



**DIXON RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT (DRCD)
MINUTES FOR
JULY 13, 2016**

DIRECTORS

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

DIXON RCD STAFF

**JOHN S. CURREY, DISTRICT MANAGER
JANICE BEAMAN, OFFICE MANAGER
KELLY HUFF, PROJECT MANAGER**

OTHER ATTENDEES

JIM CAMPBELL, ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR

1. Call the Meeting to Order

President Holdener called the July 13, 2016, Regular Board meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. at 1170 North Lincoln Street, Suite 110, Dixon, CA.

Present: Beukelman, Martinez, Viguie, Holdener
Absent: None

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 Viguie, to approve the agenda. The motion passed as follows:

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

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4. Comments from the Public - None
5. Presentations - None
6. DRCD/Solano RCD Water Quality Coalition (Irrigated Lands Regulatory Program) – Monthly Reports.
 - a. **Approval of Prior Year Expenses – from June 9, 2016, to July 1, 2016, and review of the 2015 / 2016 Budget Update.**

There was no discussion on this item.

A motion was made by Director Martinez, seconded by Director Viguie, to approve the Irrigated Lands expenses. The motion passed as follows:

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

b. Activities Reports – Receive Staff Report.

Ms. Huff discussed water quality monitoring and noted that there have been no exceedances. She also noted that that no information has been received about Ulati Creek and that it is not expected until next year.

Ms. Huff noted the net position for Fiscal Year (FY) 2015-2016 budget is about \$45,000 above what was originally budgeted. She discussed membership changes between counties and the remaining acres not reporting from the Regional Board list that could be enrolled.

Ms. Huff discussed the verification inspections held on 2 members' properties. The purpose was to verify that they are in compliance with the areas they were inspecting.

Director Viguie discussed tracking training and suggested that Sacramento Valley send certificates for completed training.

Director Martinez suggested getting attendance records so their training could be kept track of.

Ms. Huff discussed the three memberships revoked due to non-payment and not turning in their Farm Evaluation. She noted 97% of the Farm Evaluations were received.

Director Martinez suggested to not pre-populate the Farm Evaluations for row crops as the information changes all the time.

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Ms. Huff discussed the nitrogen reports for high vulnerability areas.

Director Martinez felt the Regional Board should understand that the landowners are not against them and the landowners want to be involved and want to work together with them.

Ms. Huff discussed the sediment control information given to the Regional Board.

Director Martinez felt interpretation is needed. He thought it would be better to leave the information blank rather than answer the question and discussed self-certification.

Ms. Huff discussed tentative planning for sediment and erosion control training, nitrogen self-certification training and well practices workshops.

This item was filed.

7. Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) Report

The NRCS written report was received and filed.

8. DRCD Consent Calendar

- a. **Approval of Minutes from the Regular Board Meeting dated June 8, 2016.**
- b. **Approval of Prior Year Expenses from June 9, 2016, to July 1, 2016, and review of the 2015 / 2016 Budget Update.**
- c. **Approval of New Year Expenses from July 1, 2016, to July 13, 2016, and review of the 2016 / 2017 Budget Update.**

There was no discussion on these items.

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

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

9. Old Business – None

10. New Business

- a. **Sustainable Ground Water Management Act – Receive staff report on the Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA) formation process and provide direction on possible GSA Board structures.**

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Mr. Currey provided a recap of Chris Lee's sub-working group report. He noted the draft has been reviewed internally and there will be a meeting on August 4th. Staff will be developing a final staff GSA proposal and will be a weighted vote.

He discussed the proposed GSA framework and he preferred Attachment 1 with 3 management areas and noted additional management areas can be added.

Mr. Currey discussed Cary Keaten's concerns with a 10 person Board, his preference for the Ag Advisory and Farm Bureaus not be included, or 11 votes with ag.

Mr. Currey asked how the Dixon RCD Board felt if the Ag Advisory Board and Farm Bureau were dropped.

Director Martinez preferred both being included and to include Solano RCD if they are adamant to have a representative.

Mr. Currey noted that staff is preparing a report for the elected officials and each agency will need Board approval. If the proposal is not approved, the State can mandate implementation regardless.

A motion was made by Director Viguie, seconded by Director Martinez, that the Dixon RCD Board of Directors preferred the 3 Special Management Areas, a 10 Board structure, with one additional seat, if necessary. The motion passed as follows.

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

**b. Eastside Pond (Large Detention Basin Ease of the Railroad (LDBER))
– Review and consider establishing design objectives and priorities
for the Eastside Pond.**

Mr. Currey discussed what the acceptable discharge from the City of Dixon is, noted Alternative 3 is 146 acres and discussed water in Tremont 3. He suggested focusing on Alternative 3 because it assumes development in the City Northeast Quadrant and the Counties Ag Industrial Service Area. He reviewed the following:

- Figure 15: Flow in Tremont 3 crossing Vaughn Road;
- Figure 16: Flow just downstream of Hackman Road;
- Figure 17: Flood low on the field southeast of the intersection of Runge Road and Hackman Road;
- Figure 18: Flow downstream of Sikes Road.

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Director Martinez asked if all three alternatives meet the requirements and meet the obligation of RD 2068.

Mr. Currey noted that the City of Dixon is the controlling party and Solano County has their area drainage to address. He felt Mr. Hardesty thinks Alternative 3 could meet the 120 CFS, although he would be concerned if the flows were near peak for a much longer period of time.

Director Martinez thought this would be a bigger area and that having water longer is a liability. His concern was how this would be handled financially and how to justify this many acres to the members.

The Board briefly discussed the questions in the staff report.

Director Martinez noted that DRCD paid for all Tremont 3 and thought possibly could get reimbursement for maintenance.

Mr. Currey noted that the JPA required the City of Dixon to fund 75% of Eastside Drainage Project maintenance. This share may still be appropriated for the maintenance downstream of the detention pond.

Director Martinez felt at some point the City of Dixon would building and noted that cost is a factor.

Mr. Currey discussed a developed City acre equals 100 Flood year event, whether the control point should be changed, impacts of a 10-15 year flood event.

This item was filed.

11. DRCD Staff Reports

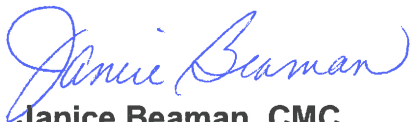
a. District Manager's Report

Mr. Currey noted:

- There is no summer ditch spraying included in the upcoming budget, but a fall / winter application that includes pre-emergent is planned;
- Robbie Robben's wells on Radio Station Road went out. He is working with Reclamation District 2068 for emergency access;
- 97.9% of the Ditch fees have been received as of June 30, 2016. He discussed 14 outstanding accounts, totaling \$4,854.50. 5 new landowners, 3 first time non-payers and 6 recurring non-payers or random payers.
- As of July 13, 2016, 72 ballots have been received.
- He is continuing to work with several RCD's and other Districts to gather ideas on how to best structure sharing resources;
- He is exploring new agreements to receive funding and funding from NRCS to assist landowners with sediment planning;

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- The California Association of RCDs had a major victory and approximately \$2.5 million was included in the State's Budget for the Department of Conservation to assist RCD's with meeting State standards. Funding is to facilitate RCD's to become compliant. The Conservation Strategy Group was instrumental in getting the award and noted the support Dixon RCD has provided the Group. He noted the State wants every County to have a functioning RCD.
12. **Directors Report - None**
 13. **Communications - None**
 14. **Upcoming Events - None**
 15. **Announcements**
The next Dixon RCD Business Meeting will be August 10, 2016, at 6:00 p.m.
 16. **Adjourn Meeting**
The Dixon RCD Board meeting adjourned at the hour of 9:00 p.m.



Janice Beaman, CMC
Office Manager
Dixon Resource Conservation District