



PUBLIC NOTICE
Board Meeting of the:
Honey Lake Valley Resource Conservation District
170 Russell Ave. Suite C
Susanville, CA 96130
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Attachments available 12/04/2023 at www.honeylakevalleyrcd.us ■

Date: Thursday, December 7th, 2023

Location: 170 Russell Ave., Suite C, Susanville CA 96130

MEETING MINUTES

votes taken via role call

NOTE: THE HONEY LAKE VALLEY RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT MAY ADVISE ACTION ON ANY OF THE AGENDA ITEMS SHOWN BELOW.

NOTE: IF YOU NEED A DISABILITY-RELATED MODIFICATION OR ACCOMMODATION, INCLUDING AUXILIARY AIDS OR SERVICES, TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS MEETING, PLEASE CONTACT THE DISTRICT OFFICE AT THE TELEPHONE NUMBER AND ADDRESS LISTED ABOVE AT LEAST A DAY BEFORE THE MEETING.

I. CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, ROLL CALL

Board member Jesse Claypool called the meeting to order at 3:45 PM, and a quorum was noted.

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Board member Will Johnson made a motion to approve the agenda, Board member Wayne Langston seconded, and the motion passed. All.

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III. PUBLIC COMMENT - NONE

Per RCD Board Policy No. 5030.4.1, during this portion of the meeting, any member of the public is permitted to make a brief statement, express his/her viewpoint, or ask a question regarding matters related to the District. Five (5) minutes may be allotted to each speaker and a

maximum of twenty (20) minutes to each subject matter..

IV. CONSENT ITEMS –

- A. Correspondence
- B. Meeting Minutes – 10/26/2023, 11/16/2023
- C. Financial Reports
- D. Agreements/Contracts

Board member Wayne Langston made a motion to approve the consent items, Board member Will Johnson seconded, and the motion passed. All.

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V. ITEMS FOR BOARD ACTION AND/OR DISCUSSION – RCD

- A. Consideration and approval of Cooperative agreement with the Lassen Fire Safe Council, Inc. to have the Honey Lake Valley RCD act as CEQA Lead Agency for the North Susanville Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) Fuel Treatments Project. (attachment)

Board member Laurie Tippin made a motion to approve the agreement with LFSC, Board member Will Johnson seconded, and the motion passed. All.

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- B. Consideration and approval of draft Initial Study - Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) for the North Susanville WUI Fuel Treatments Project, Lassen County, CA. (attachment)

Board member Laurie Tippin made a motion to approve the Mitigated Negative Declaration, Board member Robin Hanson seconded. Discussion was held regarding adding a mitigation measure relevant to greenhouse gasses. The motion passed. All.

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- C. Consideration and Approval of MOU, Resolution 2023-04, and Participation Agreement between HLVRCD and SDRMA authorizing participation in SDRMA's Health Benefits Program. (attachments)

Board member Laurie Tippin made a motion to approve the MOU, Resolution and Agreement, Board member Robin Hanson seconded, and the motion passed. All.

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- D. Discussion and direction to staff regarding the Prescribed Burn Association grant program and hiring a coordinator.

Discussion held. No reportable action.

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- E. Second reading of the 2024 RCD/Watermaster Calendar (attachment)
Held.

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VI. ITEMS FOR BOARD ACTION AND/OR DISCUSSION – WATERMASTER

- A. Approval of the SRWSA Annual Usage Report for 2023 (attachment)

Board Member Laurie Tippin made a motion to approve the Annual Usage Report, Board Member Wayne Langston seconded. Motion passed. All

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VII. REPORTS

- A. District Manager Report – Stuemky/Siemer - Updates given on each grant project and financial standing
- B. NRCS Agency Report – Stephens - No updates
- C. SWAT - Hanson - No updates
- D. WAC Report – Clark - No updates
- E. Modoc Regional RCD/CARCD Report – Tippin/Hanson - Laurie was thanked for her many years of service as the Modoc Regional Representative!
- F. Fire Safe Council Report – Johnson - No updates
- G. Post-Fire Recovery Report – Wooster - Catherine reported that we have successfully planted approximately 200 acres, and biomassed approximately 780 acres.
- H. IRWMP Report – Claypool - No updates
- I. NRCS Partnership Report – Hanson - No updates
- J. Unagendized reports by board members - Board Vice Chair Will Johnson reported on a possible good neighbor agreement with BLM and/or LNF. Board Chair Jesse Claypool reminded staff and Board members about trainings offered through SDRMA and CSDA.

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VIII. ADJOURNMENT TO CLOSED SESSION - 5:40PM

- A. EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE REVIEW DISCUSSION. Title: Deputy Watermaster, with respect to every item of business to be discussed in closed session pursuant to Section 54957 (b)(1).

Held. No reportable action.

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IX. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION - 7:26PM

VIII. ADJOURNMENT – 7:26PM

The next Honey Lake Valley RCD meeting will be **January 25th, 2024, at 3:30 PM.**
The location is the USDA Service Center, 170 Russell Avenue, Suite C, Susanville,
CA.

Respectfully Submitted,



Kelsey Siemer
District Manager



APPROVED: _____
Jesse Claypool, RCD Board Chairperson

DATE: 10/26/2023