



**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**Regular Board Meeting of the:**  
**Honey Lake Valley Resource Conservation District**  
**170 Russell Ave. Suite C**  
**Susanville, CA 96130**  
**530-257-7271 ext. 100**

**Attachments available 09/20/21 at [www.honeylakevalleyrcd.us](http://www.honeylakevalleyrcd.us)**

**Date: Thursday, September 23rd, 2021**

**Location: HELD REMOTELY Via ZOOM**

This Virtual Meeting is held pursuant to Executive Order N-29-20 issued by Governor Newsom on March 17, 2020 that directs Californians to follow public health directives including canceling large gatherings. The Executive Order also allows local legislative bodies to hold meetings via conference calls while still satisfying state transparency requirements. Executive Order N-33-20, prohibits people from leaving their homes or places of residence except to access necessary supplies and services or to engage in specified critical infrastructure employment.

Note: Pursuant to the Brown Act, Section 54953(b)(2). Section (b) (2) requires that all votes taken during a teleconference meeting shall be by roll call. Any agenda item may be discussed in a different order, if necessary. The Board may take action whether items are listed as action, information or discussion. The meeting is being held solely by remote means and will be made accessible to members of the public seeking to attend and address the Board solely through the phone number set forth below.

**Time: 5:30 PM**

**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 5:35 pm, and a quorum was noted. Wayne Langston was not present.

## II. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Board member Laurie Tippin made a motion to approve the agenda, Board member Robin Hanson 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.

## I. **CONSENT ITEMS**

- A. Approval of Meeting Minutes: 6/24/2021, 07/29/2021, 08/11/2021 (attachments)
- B. Treasurer's Report
- C. Correspondence

Board member Robin Hanson made a motion to approve the consent items, Board member Laurie Tippin seconded, and the motion passed. All.

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## II. **REPORTS**

- A. District Manager Report – Stuemky
  - Reported on current grants progress, along with new grant applications that are being worked on, as well as current district events and volunteer work needed for various projects in the future.
- B. NRCS Agency Report – Stephens
  - Reported that the local office has \$3.7 million of obligated contracts currently this year, as well as 14 CPS contracts from NACD TA position and 8 from EQIP.
- C. SWAT – Hanson
  - Reported that she talked with the county Ag. Department and is planning to talk more about a partnership with the RCD throughout the winter months.
- D. WAC Report – Adams
  - Reported on recent Watermaster complaints, as well as updates on lawsuits, lawyer briefs, and the announcement of a new court date
- E. Modoc Regional RCD/CARCD Report – Tippin
  - Reported that she had talked with Modoc RCD and other RCDs about NRCS Co-Op Agreement for underserved farmers and ranchers, she also reported that there would not be a fall meeting, and that the CARCD annual conference

would be online again this year starting in January, but the annual business meeting would still occur in in November of this year.

- F. Fire Safe Council Report – Johnson
  - Reported that he had reached out to Tom as LFSC, and had not received a response yet.
- G. IRWMP Report – Claypool
  - NONE
- H. Unagendized reports by board members
  - Will Johnson reported that he would be attended and setting up the RCD booth at the Fall Harvest Market. Jesse Claypool reported that CSDA monthly meeting was excellent, and there is hopefully future funds for special districts.

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### **III. ITEMS FOR BOARD ACTION AND/OR DISCUSSION – RCD**

- A. Consideration and approval of CEQA lead agency Cooperative Agreement between Honey Lake Valley RCD and Lassen Fire Safe Council, Inc. Hog and Sheep Fire Restoration Project. (attachment) – Tim Keesey

Board member Laurie Tippin made a motion to approve the CEQA Co-Op Agreement, Board member Robin Hanson seconded, and the motion passed. All.

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- B. Consideration and approval of Hog and Sheep Fire Restoration Project CEQA Environmental Review and Notice of Exemption (NOE). (attachment) – Tim Keesey

Board member Laurie Tippin made a motion to approve the CEQA NOE, Board member Will Johnson seconded, and the motion passed. All.

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- C. Consideration and approval of Larry Bain, CPA invoice for 2020 Audit (invoice to be split between RCD and Watermaster accounts) of \$6,850.00. (attachment)

Board member Laurie Tippin made a motion to approve the invoice for the 2020 Audit, Board member Robin Hanson seconded, and the motion passed. All.

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- D. Consideration and discussion regarding board members potential resolutions to submit to CARCD for member district approval.

Board member Laurie Tippin discussed that resolutions are due to the CARCD for the annual business meeting in November, and that is board members had a resolution to contribute to

send in shortly.

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- E. Identification and authorization of a HLVRCD board member to be the HLVRCD's delegate for the CARCD officers to present resolutions and other decision items at the CARCD annual conference (via Zoom, week of 11/15/21).

Board member Will Johnson made a motion to identify Laurie Tippin as the HLVRCD delegate and Robin Hanson as the alternative delegate, Board member Laurie Tippin seconded, and the motion passed. All.

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- F. Consideration and discussion regarding board members potential interest in the Modoc Plateau Regional RCD Chair position.

Board member Laurie Tippin discussed roles of leading the Modoc Regional Plateau, including organizing biyearly meetings, and attending of CARCD board meetings and work meetings. This election will be her last term.

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- G. Consideration and approval to continue remote board meetings due to the COVID-19 pandemic, in regards to the governor's signing of Assembly Bill 361 (Rivas). (attachment)

Died due to lack of motion. More information needed.

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## **VII. ITEMS FOR BOARD ACTION AND/OR DISCUSSION– WATERMASTER**

- A. Consideration and Approval to pay BBK August 2021 Invoices #911300- 911301 and September 2021 Invoices #913495-913496 (totaling \$22,830.49). (attachments)

Board member Robin Hanson made a motion to approve the BBK invoices, Board member Laurie Tippin seconded, and the motion passed. All.

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- B. First reading of the Draft Annual Use Report for 2021/2022

Board member Will Johnson made a motion to approve the first reading of the Annual Use Report, Board member Robin Hanson seconded, and the motion passed. All.

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**VIII. ADJOURNMENT – 09/23/2021 at 7:22PM**

The next Honey Lake Valley RCD meeting will be **October 28<sup>th</sup>, 2021**. The location is the USDA Service Center, 170 Russell Avenue, Suite C, Susanville, CA.

*Respectfully Submitted,*



Andrea Stuemky  
District Manager

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_



Jesse Claypool, RCD Board  
Chairperson

DATE: 10/28/2021