

Alameda County Resource Conservation District
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ACRCD BOARD MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, February 26, 2026 6:00 p.m.
District Office, 3585 Greenville Rd., Livermore, CA

Board of Directors Regular Meeting will be hosted in-person and via Zoom.

In-Person

The Martinelli Center, 3585 Greenville Road, Livermore, CA or

Via Zoom

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CALL TO ORDER and PRELIMINARY ITEMS

CALL TO ORDER

Called to order by Dir. Sweet at 6:06 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTOR

Karen Sweet, President; Mike Fredrich, Vice President; Brenda Vieux (absent-excused), Treasurer; Merry Carter (absent-excused); Katie Connolly; Dick Schneider

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS AND STAFF

Staff: ACRCD Chief Executive Officer, Marilyn Harvey; Chief Operating Officer, Ian Howell; Resource Conservationist I, Jennifer Trevis; Sustainable Agriculture Specialist, Colleen Hotchkiss; Project Assistant, Sukhnoor Sahota; NRCS District Conservationist, Veronica Rivera; Amy Richey, Emma Koeze

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion: The Board adopts the Agenda, as moved by Dir. Schneider and seconded by Dir. Fredrich

BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD

APPROVAL OF PRIOR MONTH'S BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Motion: The Board accepts the Minutes of the January 22, 2026, Board Meeting, as moved by Dir. Schneider and seconded by Dir. Connolly.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – (3-minute limit)

None

Staff Presentation – Colleen Hotchkiss and Veronica Rivera – Regenerative Pilot Program Presentation

NRCS District Update – NRCS – Veronica Rivera

CONSENT CALENDAR – Items for action without discussion unless requested for separate discussion by a Director of the Alameda County RCD Board or member of the public or staff.

1. Consent Calendar Items:
 - a. The Board authorizes the Chief Executive Officer's execution of **Amendment 2 to the Professional Services Agreement between GEI Consultants, Inc. and Alameda County RCD** for work under SFPUC Task Order 3 with a not-to-exceed amount of \$579,060.00 and an end date of June 30, 2027. See Project Report.
 - b. The Board authorizes the Chief Executive Officer's execution of **Amendment 2 to the Professional Services Agreement between Forefront Geotechnical, Inc. and Alameda County RCD** for work under SFPUC Task Order 3 with a not-to-exceed amount of \$233,750.00 and an end date of June 30, 2027. See Project Report.
 - c. The Board ratifies the Chief Executive Officer to execution of Amendment #2 to Contract 1076 between the **San Francisco Public Utilities (SFPUC) and the Alameda County RCD** for AgPark Site Management for a date extension from December 31, 2025 to June 30, 2026. See Project Report.
 - d. The Board ratifies the Chief Executive Officer's execution of the request for Revision 1 to Task Order 3 between the **San Francisco Public Utilities Commission contract CS-1076, and the Alameda County RCD** to support Alameda Creek Watershed Center Project Management to increase the not-to-exceed amount from \$21,500.00 to \$52,208.00. See Project Report.

- e. The Board ratifies the Chief Executive Officer's execution of the First Amendment to 2025 Urban Farm Conservation Mini-Grant Agreement between **Pollinate Farm and the Alameda County RCD** to extend the Mini-Grant Agreement term to June 30, 2026. See Project Report.
- f. The Board authorizes the Chief Executive Officer's execution of the Memorandum of Understanding between the **Resource Conservation Districts of the Greater Bay Area Conservation Hub (GBACH) and the Alameda County RCD** with no end date. See Project Report.

Motion: The Board accepts the recommendations and reports presented in the Consent Calendar, as moved by Dir. Fredrich and seconded by Dir. Schneider.

REGULAR CALENDAR

- 2. CARCD Ballot due by 3/2/26 – President Sweet
 - a. CARCD Candidate selection for President and Vice President.
 - b. CARCD Proposed Amended Bylaws.
 - c. CARCD Policy Committee's Summary Table of Resolutions and Committee Recommendations.
 - d. Resolutions as submitted by Antelope Valley (Now Canyon to Desert) RCD.

Motion: The Board authorizes President Sweet to complete and submit the CARCD ballot, as moved by Dir. Connolly and seconded by Dir. Schneider.

- 3. ACSDA Designation of Agency Representatives – Marilyn Harvey
- 4. Annual Board of Directors reporting – Marilyn Harvey
 - a. Conflict of Interest Form 700 due by March 25, 2026.
 - b. Mandatory AB1234 Ethics Training due by March 6, 2026.

CONSERVATION UPDATES

5. Conservation Committee Report – See Report.

Motion: The Board accepts the Conservation Committee Report for the February 17, 2026 meeting, as moved by Dir. Connolly and seconded by Dir. Schneider.

EDUCATION and OUTREACH COMMITTEE

6. Education and Outreach Committee Meeting Report – No Meeting.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

7. Executive Committee Meeting – Minutes

Motion: The Board accepts the Executive Committee Minutes for the February 20, 2026 meeting, as moved by Dir. Schneider and seconded by Dir. Fredrich.

8. Items for Board Ratification

- a. The Executive Committee authorizes the Chief Executive Officer's execution of the Professional Services Agreement between LAFCO of Alameda County and the ACRCDC to lead a SALC 2026 grant project for a not-to-exceed amount of \$500,000.00 and an end date of December 31, 2028. See Project Report.
- b. The Executive Committee authorizes the Chief Executive Officer's execution of Task Order 3 Revision 3 between the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission contract PRO.0184 and the ACRCDC to support Pond Restoration Planning with a not-to-exceed amount of \$900,934.60 and an end date of June 30, 2027. See Project Report.

The Board ratifies the Executive Committee approval of Items 8a-8b, as moved by Dir. Schneider and seconded by Dir. Fredrich.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

9. Finance Committee Meeting - Minutes

The Board accepts the Financial Committee Minutes for January 22, 2026 meeting, as moved by Dir. Schneider and seconded by Dir. Connolly.

10. Financial Reports – Marilyn Harvey

Motion: The Board accepts the Financial Report for January 31, 2026, as moved by Dir. Fredrich and seconded by Dir. Schneider.

11. ACRCRD Revised Budget. See Report

Motion: The Board accepts the Revised Budget for FY25-26, as moved by Dir. Schneider and seconded by Dir. Connolly.

NEW BUSINESS

Board Director Opening

CORRESPONDENCE

LEADERSHIP REPORTS

12. Board Member Comments and Activities Reports
13. Chief Executive Officer Report
14. Staff Project Updates – See Report

FUTURE AGENDA ITEM SUGGESTIONS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Upcoming Meetings - Board and Committee Meetings

March 17	Outreach Meeting 1:30 PM
March 17	Conservation Committee 4:00 PM
March 26	Finance Committee 5:00 PM
March 26	March Board Meeting 6:00 PM

Upcoming Meetings and Events

Community:

- 3/21 Living Arroyos event
- 3/26 Virtual Compost Workshop with StopWaste (IH, CH, OS)
- 4/4 LA Volunteer Appreciation Day
- 4/18 CWP San Lorenzo Village Homeowner's Association Earth Day Event
- 4/21 Ag Adventure Day at Livermore High School (JT, RC)
- 4/25 CWP Castro Valley Creek Trail cleanup w/ CVSD (JT)
- 5/23 Sogorea Te' Land Trust trout event (JT) CWP?
- LEAF Earth Day event – ACCAP and program outreach (CH, OS)

ADJOURNMENT at 8:15 pm