

Alameda County Resource Conservation District
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ACRCD BOARD MEETING MINUTES
Monday, March 24, 2025 6:00 p.m.
District Office, 3585 Greenville Rd., Livermore, CA

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

Dir. Sweet called the meeting to order at 6:09 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Karen Sweet, President; Mike Fredrich, Vice President; Brenda Vieux, Treasurer;
Directors: Merry Carter; Katie Connolly; Carol Garberson; Dick Schneider

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS AND STAFF

Staff: ACRCD Chief Executive Officer, Marilyn Harvey; Chief Operating Officer, Ian Howell, Resource Conservationist I; Jennifer Trevis, NRCS Soil Conservationist, Rose Collins

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD

APPROVAL OF PRIOR MONTH'S BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Motion: The Board accepts the Minutes of the January 23, 2025, Board Meeting, as moved by Dir. Fredrich and seconded by Dir. Schneider.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – (3-minute limit)

None

Staff Presentation – Ian Howell – Climate Ready Grant outcomes

NRCS District Update – NRCS Rose Collins – Report

Rose reported to the board that there is no new Farm Bill info. EQIP deadline is March 5th, there are 13 new projects, the selection will be September 30th, 2025 – the end of the fiscal year.

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 ratifies the Chief Executive Officer's execution of the **Cooperator Assistance Agreement ACCAPP-Don2025PP** under the Alameda County Compost for Agriculture Pilot Program. See Project Report.
 - b. The Board ratifies the Chief Executive Officer execution of the **Cooperator Assistance Agreement ACCAPP-Don2025GOB** under the Alameda County Compost for Agriculture Pilot Program. See Project Report.
 - c. The Board ratifies the Chief Executive Officer's execution of Amendment #1 to the **Cooperator Assistance Agreement ACCAPP-Don2024LEAF** under the Alameda County Compost for Agriculture Pilot Program. See Project Report.

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

REGULAR CALENDAR

2. Conflict of Interest – Form 700 – Update: Marilyn will send an email to the Board.
3. Out of state travel for Courtney Coon.

Motion: The Board authorizes out-of-state travel for Courtney Coon to present on the District's East Bay Wildlife Connectivity project, as moved by Dir. Schneider and seconded by Dir. Carter.

4. Status of Federal Agreements – Ian Howell.

Ian provided the board with a summary of the Federal Agreements Status.

CONSERVATION UPDATES

5. Conservation Committee Report – See Minutes

Motion: The Board accepts the Conservation Committee Meeting Minutes of February 8, 2025, as moved by Dir. Fredrich and seconded by Dir. Carter.

Motion: The Board accepts the Conservation Committee Meeting Minutes of March 18, 2025, as moved by Dir. Fredrich and seconded by Dir. Carter.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

6. Executive Committee Meeting – See Minutes

Motion: The Board accepts the Minutes of the February 26, 2025, Executive Committee Meeting, as moved by Dir. Carter and seconded by Dir. Garberson.

7. Cooperative Agreement with State of California

Motion: The Board ratifies the Executive Committee's approval of the President of the Board of Director's and CEO's execution of the Cooperative Agreement between the State of California and Alameda County RCD for the work being done with the WCB Wildlife Crossings Project., as moved by Dir. Carter and seconded by Dir. Garberson.

EDUCATION and OUTREACH COMMITTEE

8. Outreach Committee Meeting Report – See Minutes

Motion: The Board accepts the Education and Outreach Committee Meeting Minutes of February 18, 2025, as moved by Dir. Garberson and seconded by Dir. Sweet.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

9. Financial Reports – Marilyn Harvey

Motion: The Board accepts the Financial Reports for January 31 and February 28, 2025, as moved by Dir. Fredrich and seconded by Dir. Schneider.

NEW BUSINESS

CORRESPONDENCE

None

LEADERSHIP REPORTS

10. Board Member Comments and Activities Reports

Dir. Vieux – N/A

Dir. Carter – Update on locating turtles in their ponds, AC Fair garden starting soon.

Dir. Connolly – Will be traveling in April

Dir. Schneider

- South Livermore Valley Area Plan – approved by planning commission, now to the Board of Supervisors
- ALOSC – gave update on their ranking tool
- Payment for ecosystem services update
- TVC – conservation values study
- Area proposed as a development is now a study area

Dir. Fredrich – N/A

Dir. Sweet – Rangeland summit update

11. Chief Executive Officer Report

Marilyn reported that the mini-grant donations are approximately \$20,000.

12. Staff Project Updates – See Report

FUTURE AGENDA ITEM SUGGESTIONS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Upcoming Meetings - Board and Committee Meetings

April 15	Outreach Meeting 2:30 PM
April 15	Conservation Committee 4:00 PM
April 24	Finance Committee 5:00 PM
April 24	February Board Meeting 6:00 PM

Upcoming Meetings and Events

Community:

- 3/25 Iron Horse Middle School career day (Jennifer)
- 3/29 CWP Don Castro (Jennifer)
- 4/4 LA private clean-up event
- 4/4 Rancher Conservation Easement workshops (Ian, Allison, Dick, Rangeland Trust)
- 4/5 LA clean-up event volunteer appreciation Stanley Reach
- 4/10 Livermore High career opportunities fair (MM?)
- 4/11 CWP Castro Valley High Sustainability Fair (Jennifer)
- 4/19 CWP San Lorenzo Village Homeowner's Assoc. Earth Day Event (Aimee)
- 4/26 CWP Earth Day - Castro Valley Creek Trail at the Library (Jennifer)
- 4/26-27 City of Livermore Bioblitz w/City Nature Challenge (Julia, Farley)
- 4/26 Tabling at Center for Food, Faith and Justice (Colleen, Veronica, Cat)
- 4/29 Livermore High AgDay (Jennifer, intern, NRCS-Rose, Cat, Jackie)
- 5/1 acwForum, Shannon Center Dublin
- 5/3 CWP 2nd Earth Day, FOSLC-Ruby St, Castro Valley (tentative) (Jennifer)
- 5/10 CWP Niles cleanup w/Board of Supervisors, CalTrout (Jennifer)

ADJOURNMENT at 8:00 p.m.