



Minutes

**Board Meeting of the
GOLD RIDGE RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT
PHONE: 707.823.5244 FAX: 707.823.5243
Thursday, June 18, 2015, 1:30pm-3:00pm**

Board Project Tour 8:45-1:30. Please call to RSVP.

We're celebrating our year's accomplishments and touring two completed projects

Location: Dutton Ranch, Sebastopol, CA 95472
Call for directions

Time: 1:30 – 2:30 pm*
***Please note the change in time**

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- I. **CALL TO ORDER, DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM, INTRODUCTIONS**
- II. The meeting was called to order at 1:34pm.
Directors present: Joe Dutton, Ann Cassidy, Torrey Olson
Directors Absent: Jill Butler, Richard Hughes
Associate Directors present: Bob Burke, Al Gerhardt
Associate Directors absent: None
Staff present: Joe Pozzi, Brittany Heck, Adriana Stagnaro, William Hart
Others present: Jennifer Walser, NRCS
- III. **ADDITIONS/CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (GOV. CODE 54954.2 (B))**
- IV. **PUBLIC COMMENT** Public may comment on agenda items when they are discussed. Speakers are asked to limit comments to three minutes (Gov. Code 54954.3(a)).
- V. **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**
 - 4-1 **Correspondence and Notices/Additional Agenda Items-** Brittany Heck
 - Water Board's water conservation regulations in tributaries to the Russian River requires information from users (their water source and estimated 2014-15 usage) as well as compliance with reductions
 - June 24th is the outdoor pig producers workshop held by Alameda RCD
 - 4-2 **NRCS Report-** Jennifer Walser
 - NRCS hired a soil conservation planner, an engineer and a biologist

- Their staff is receiving training in nutrient management
- NRCS is working to improve its coordination with RCDs, for example regarding cost share.
- In August, NRCS will produce a document stating NRCS's economic value to Sonoma County
- NRCS continues outreach on the Riparian Corridor Ordinance and is determining a more complete list of BMPs for the Ordinance.

4-3 Financial and Sustainability Committee Report- Brittany Heck

- Cassidy reports that the committee is looking to simplify financial documents for clarity
- Staff billing rates have been adjusted

4-4 RCD Role in Water Quality Credit Trading Program – Brittany Heck

- Water quality credit trading is a way for point-source polluters such as dairies to comply with the Laguna Watershed's new TMDLs. Polluters can voluntarily do water quality improvement projects on other properties to offset their water quality impacts.
- RCDs in general have mostly acted as brokers for producers who want to trade credits. Sonoma RCD has gone beyond by leading the program administratively and by training verifiers. Gold Ridge will continue to work with Associate Director Bob Burke to decide what other role Gold Ridge would like to take.
- To be revisited next month.

4-5 GRRCD 75th Anniversary- Brittany Heck

- Board and staff begin brainstorming on how to celebrate the anniversary

4-6 Change July Board Meeting to July 23rd – Brittany Heck

VI. CONSENT CALENDAR

5-1 May 21, 2015 Minutes and Grant Status Report

Motion to approve Consent Calendar

1st Cassidy /2nd Olson

Ayes: Cassidy, Olson, Dutton

Nays: None

Abstentions: None Absent: Butler, Hughes

VII. ACTION ITEMS

6-1 Approval of NRCS Report

Motion to approve NRCS Report

1st Cassidy /2nd Olson

Ayes: Cassidy, Olson, Dutton

Nays: None

Abstentions: None Absent: Butler, Hughes

6-2 Approval of Financial Report/Warrant Request

Motion to approve Financial Report/Warrant Request

1st Olson /2nd Cassidy

Ayes: Cassidy, Olson, Dutton

Nays: None

Abstentions: None Absent: Butler, Hughes

6-3 Approval of GRRCD Final Budget Updated – Brittany Heck

6-4 Approval of consultant and amount for Bodega Water Company Large Water Storage Tank Design, funded by Department of Fish and Wildlife Grant Agreement D1430603, and Authorization for Executive Director to enter into an Agreement with selected consultant for approved amount.

- Board will reconvene in a special meeting to address this agreement due to an insufficient quorum (Ann Cassidy recused herself).

VIII. ADJOURNMENT AND AGENDA SETTING Meeting closed at 2:38 pm

To request board packet information, please contact Brittany Heck at (707) 823-5244.

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