

Nevada County Resource Conservation District Board of Directors - Regular Meeting 113 Presley Way, Suite 1, Grass Valley, CA 95945 Tuesday June 13, 2023, at6:00 pm

- 1. <u>Call to order and Roll Call:</u> at 6:01 by Jim Drew. Directors present: Linda Miller, Jim Drew, and JoAnn Fites-Kaufman. Associates: Alana Fowler and Robert Ingram. Staff present: Briana Bacon and Anne Solik
- 2. **Introductions:** No Introductions.
- 3. <u>Approval of Agenda or Correction of Agenda</u>: Linda Miller moved to approve the Agenda. Second by Jo Ann Fites Kaufman; Approved 3-0.

Approval of Consent Agenda:

- A. Minutes from the May 9, 2023, Regular Board meeting
- B. Financial Statement for May 2023.

Jo Ann Fites Kaufman moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Second by Linda Miller. Approved 3-0.

- 5. Public Comment (Speakers are limited to 3 minutes): No public comment.
- Correspondence: Letters from Scholarship recipients on table, as well as a call to letters
 requesting RCD's to write and protest the use of prevailing wage for CalFIRE grant
 projects.
- 7. **NRCS Director Report:** Pamela Hertzler left a written report stating NRCS was working on obligating clients by a June 23rd deadline. She also mentioned that she obligated 6 forestry EQIP projects as well as 10+Agriculture projects.
- 8. **NCRCD Director and Staff Report:** Anne reported on office activities including preparing for Farm Day, renting out another office space to the RCD Bookkeeper, the activity of the contractor Forestry Advisor, the upcoming River Fire outreach event in Colfax, the migration of the website and the progress of the events coming in Fall.

Briana reported on the multiple Grants and Revenue including:

- USDA Community Wildfire Defense Grant Awarded \$392,542
- Cal-Fire Prevention Grant submitted \$1,253,994
- Climate Investments submitted and Award letter received \$299,936
- Department of Conservation planning grant \$500,000

- Point Blue Working Lands Conservation Grant, Multiple Projects.
- CDFA Regional Healthy Soils Block Grant \$2 Million turned in.

Briana also talked about her future focus on seminars, events, developing a master calendar, and communication calendar, Education and scholarships as well as a new strategic plan.

10. New Business:

- A. Approval of Audit by Robert W. Johnson. Short discussion about upcoming audit and hired actuary. Jo Ann Fites Kaufman moved to approve the appointment of Robert W. Johnson for 2022/23 Audit. Second by Linda Miller. Approved 3-0.
- **B. Discussion and possible approval of fiscal budget 2023/24.** Tabled for July meeting.

9. Old Business:

No old business

11. Announcements:

Next Regular Board meeting – July 13, 2023 at 6pm.

Regular Board meeting adjourned at 6:51pm.

Respectfully submitted by Anne Solik June 13, 2023.

Jim Drew, Vice Chair