

Nevada County Resource Conservation District Board of Directors - Regular Meeting 113 Presley Way, Suite 1, Grass Valley, CA 95945 Tuesday July 9, 2023, at 4:00 pm

- 1. <u>Call to order and Roll Call:</u> at 4:00 by Jim Drew, President. Directors present: Jim Drew, Alana Fowler, Reed Hamilton. Staff present: Briana Bacon and Anne Solik.
- 2. **Introductions:** By Zoom, Lucy Wilson, Biologist from the Ag Commissioner's office.
- Public Comment (Speakers are limited to 3 minutes):
- 3. <u>Approval of Agenda or Correction of Agenda</u>: Reed Hamilton moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Second by Alana Fowler. Approved 3-0.

## Approval of Consent Agenda:

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- A. Minutes from the May 2024, Regular Board meeting
- B. Financial Statement for May 2024.

Reed Hamilton moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Second by Alana Fowler.

- **6. Correspondence:** News articles from the completion of the Hyatt project.
- 7. **NRCS Director Report:** Valerie Bullard, NRCS District Conservationist supplied a written report on EQIP program applications. She noted that they have 104 entered EQIP applications, 4 Forestry CSP projects with seven more expected by the end of the week.
- 8. **NCRCD Board Report:** Alana Fowler talked about the water conditions on her farm, Reed Hamilton reported on an ongoing problem with crickets eating his hedgerow. Jim Drew reported on the Ranch School activities, and Robert Ingram notified the board his upcoming dates for his travels to Alaska. Lucy Wilson talked about the Ag Commissioner's sign up sheets available on-line for volunteers to work at the Fair with the RCD booths.
- 9. NCRCD Staff Report: Anne talked a bit about Working Lands III and progress to date. Briana talked about the completion of the Healthy Soils Project and projected income, projects in the works and potential projects for the future. Current projects include the SALC program, CDWG, Livestock Grazing Grant (\$150,000), CWPP, NRCS (\$75,000), National Forest Foundation (\$150,000), and CalFire Climate Investments. A full listing of current and future projects as well as status of on-going projects included in Board package. To date, current programs will provide income fully funded, over the next three years.

## 10. New Business:

A. Review and discussion of potential Contract with Mason Bruce and Girard. **Tabled for future meeting.** 

## 11. Old Business: No Old Business

## 12. Announcements:

Next Regular Board meeting – August 13, 2024 at 4pm.

Regular Board meeting adjourned at 4:57 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Anne Solik July 10, 2024.

Approved by Board of Directors on

Jim Drew, Chair