



SHASTA VALLEY RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Siskiyou County, California

MINUTES

Summarized **MINUTES** from the Board of Directors' Rescheduled Regular monthly meeting of the Shasta Valley Resource Conservation District, in Yreka, California, on Thursday, August 24th, 2023.

This meeting was conducted as a live in-person meeting with remote access for those who wished to attend via Zoom. The location for the meeting was the Siskiyou Economic Development Council conference room, 1512 S. Oregon Street; Yreka, CA. This meeting was rescheduled from August 16th due to lack of a quorum.

Directors Present: Ryan Walker, Jay Perkins, (remote), Bill Hirt,

Directors Absent: Zach Salvestro, Mike Luiz

Associate Directors: None

Staff Present: Dan Blessing, Mike McGill, Ayn Perry, Rod Dowse, Ethan Brown

Guests: Jim Patterson, NRCS;

Call to Order

After a quorum was established, the meeting was called to order at 6:35 pm by Chair Walker.

Review and Approval of Agenda

The agenda was approved by common consent with two additions: 08.7 Meamber Fish Screen Resolution and 08.8 CEQA Lead Agency for Farm Bureau.

Introductions None needed.

Public Comment: None.

Presentation: None

Approval of Minutes

Walker presented the Minutes for approval. **ACTION:** Approve Minutes for July 25th, 2023. **MOTION:** Hirt, **SECOND:** Perkins. **Approved by Voice Vote: AYES:** Walker, Perkins, Hirt, **Noes:** None **Abstentions:** None
Motion Approved

Financial Report: Tabled

Ratify Payroll

Dowse reviewed the payroll for July 2023 in the amount of \$28,661.15. **ACTION:** Approve Payroll. **MOTION:** Hirt, **SECOND:** Perkins. **Approved by Voice Vote: AYES:** Walker, Perkins, Hirt, **NOES:** None; **ABSTENTIONS:** None. **Motion Approved.**

Approval of Bills

Dowse presented the July bills for review and approval. Warrants for \$733,167.12, submitted for approval. **ACTION:** Approve Bills for Payment. **MOTION:** Perkins, **SECOND:** Hirt, **Approved by Voice Vote: AYES:** Walker, Perkins, Hirt, **NOES:** None; **ABSTENTIONS:** None. **Motion Approved.**

Overhead:	\$18,110.78
US Bank	\$12,703.44
Alisa Scholberg Bkkpg	\$1,725.00
Cal Ore Comm	\$105.58
Streamline	\$10.00
Mountaineer IT	\$950.
Principal	\$323.90
Blue Shield of CA	\$2,292.86

Grant Invoices:	\$715,056.34
CLT Logging	\$180,000.00
Darrah Logging	\$209,452.50
Darrah Logging	\$110,868.75
Restoration Conservation	\$237.45
Quercus Consultants	\$4,849.21
Sac River Watershed	\$3,290.00
Stream & Civil Eng	\$1,920.00
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State Water Resources Bd	\$365.00
Siskiyou Land Trust	\$1,626.10
MPeters	\$168,752.00
Darrah Logging	\$18,149.88
GS Black	\$13,625.45

Budget Transfers: None

Approval of Donations Received: None

Correspondence: None

Business – Discussion and Possible Action

08.1 Review and consider for approval Resolution 23-008 CDFW Funding for Huseman Planning and Alternatives Analysis grant. Dowse and Brown lead a discussion for this grant approval. **ACTION:** Approve Resolution 23-008. **MOTION:** Perkins, **SECOND:** Hirt, **Approved by Voice Vote: AYES:** Walker, Perkins, Hirt, **NOES:** None; **ABSTENTIONS:** None. **Motion Approved.**

08.2 Review, discuss and consider for approval Resolution 23-009 Cal Pers 457 plan, Section 218. Dowse discussed this proposal. It allows employees to hold an election to allow both a 457 contribution greater than 7.25% as well as social security. **ACTION:** Approve Resolution 23-009. **MOTION:** Hirt, **SECOND:** Perkins, **Approved by Voice Vote: AYES:** Walker, Perkins, Hirt, **NOES:** None; **ABSTENTIONS:** None. **Motion Approved.**

08.3 Review and discuss MOU with SQRCD. Dowse led a discussion on a proposal from SQRCD to assist with a DOC grant in Scott Valley. **ACTION:** Approve Memorandum of Understanding with Siskiyou Resource Conservation District. **MOTION:** Perkins **SECOND:** Hirt, **Approved by Voice Vote: AYES:** Walker, Perkins, Hirt, **NOES:** None; **ABSTENTIONS:** None. **Motion Approved.**

08.4 Review, discuss and possibly approve Agreement to serve as project Manager for Siskiyou RCD DOC monitoring and planning grant. Tabled

08.5 2023-2024 SVRCD Budget review, discussion and consider for approval. Tabled

08.6_Staff and Board BBQ. A date will be set for October based on the wishes of the Board. Tabled

08.7 Review and discuss Meamber Fish Screen Project from CDFW, Resolution 23-010. A new grant has been awarded to replace the existing fish screen for the Hull and Meamber riparian irrigation diversion. **ACTION:** Approve Resolution 23-010. **MOTION:** Hirt, **SECOND:** Perkins, **Approved by Voice Vote:** **AYES:** Walker, Perkins, Hirt, **NOES:** None; **ABSTENTIONS:** None. **Motion Approved.**

08.8 Discuss a Siskiyou Farm Bureau request to be Lead Agency for a CDFW grant they received. Dowse and Walker lead a discussion of potential stockwater projects in Scott and Shasta Valley and CEQA responsibilities. By common consent, it was agreed by the Board that SVRCD will assist with this work.

Staff and Project Reports

Brown discussed existing Water project updates including Bel Campo, NRZ, Huseman and monitoring. Mallory Pappas is sharing field work for monitoring now. She is leading the creation of a grazing workshop, planned in conjunction with our TMDL grant. We have recently received 6 new grants to further our water conservation and riparian habitat work.

Blessing gave a Forestry projects update including McKinley-Scott, West Mt Shasta, Wildland Mitigation Fund and others. Elk Flat and Dunsmuir are completed. Staff is taking fire safe training for the outreach portion of the West Mt. Shasta grant. A grant in Scott Valley at the Spenser Ranch is being planned as part of one of our grants. The Rainey Ranch will be a focus of forestry/water quality now that we have enough staff.

McGill reported that our two new Grizzly Corps members starting on September 12th.

Perry reported on planning work requested by SRWA and potential grant opportunities and strategies. Board advised that a new engineering study may be warranted.

Other Agency/Group Reports: None

Walker reported on Water Board curtailment discussions and meetings. The public hearing was well attended and many agricultural producers from Scott and Shasta Valley gave testimony in person. More data is needed and SVRCD can assist.

Patterson reported on NRCS news. Agricultural Water (AGWA) in Scott Valley has requested direct funding for water conservation measures (pivots).

Closed Session: None

Meeting Adjourned –

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 pm by Chairman Walker.

Next Meeting: September 20th, 2023.

Future Agenda Items:

Annual Monitoring Report 2022

Long Range Plan

Board Fall Retreat/BBQ

Invite Chrystal Robinson CDFW to a meeting

Minutes submitted by Ayn Perry on 8/27/2023

Minutes approved as typed as corrected.



Chairman

August 24, 2023

Date



District Administrator