

MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 16, 2011  
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE  
SACRAMENTO/YOLO MOSQUITO & VECTOR CONTROL DISTRICT

PLACE: 8631 Bond Road, Elk Grove, CA 95624

TIME: 10:00 a.m.

TRUSTEES PRESENT:

Jayna Karpinski-Costa	President	Citrus Heights
Frederick Goethel	Vice President	Galt
Craig R. Burnett		Folsom
Raul DeAnda		West Sacramento
Lyndon Hawkins		Elk Grove
Gregory Lanzaro		Winters
John Lewallen		Sacramento County
Robert J. McGarvey		Rancho Cordova
Rosemarie Moore		Isleton
Michael Parrella		Yolo County
David Tamayo		City of Sacramento
Robert Washino		Davis
Neal Peart		Woodland

ABSENT: Neal Peart

LEGAL COUNSEL: Richard Shanahan

STAFF PRESENT:

David Brown	Manager
Debbie Ackerman	Admin. Manager
Gary Goodman	Assistant Manager
Paula Macedo	Lab Director
Luz Rodriguez	Public Information Officer
Marty Scholl	Ecological Mgmt Supervisor
Demetri Dokos	Fisheries Supervisor

**Call to Order:**

**Roll Call**

Trustee Moore and Trustee McGarvey arrived at 10:05 a.m. Trustee Peart absent.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

All cell phones, pagers, pda's, and electronic devices are requested to be silenced during the meeting.

**1. Items for Approval by General Consent:**

On a motion by Trustee Hawkins, seconded by Trustee Goethel, the Board unanimously approved the items of general consent: Minutes of the July 19, 2011 Board of Trustees meeting; expenditures for July 2011; Board authorization to pay invoice of \$16,019.06 to participate in MVCAC NPDES Coalition; Resolution honoring Michael P. Parrella for his service on the Board.

2. **Opportunity for Public Comment**

*There were none.*

*Due to Trustee DeAnda's need to leave the meeting early, agenda item #4 requiring Board action was presented before agenda item #3.*

4. **Board Review and Consideration of Updates to District Personnel Manual.**

*On a motion by Trustee Goethel, seconded by Trustee Lanzaro, the Board unanimously approved the updated District Personnel Manual.*

3. **Reports to the Board**

**a. Managers Report:** *Manager Brown provided a written report in the Board packets, but also provided the following: Manager Brown reported that District staff is seeking bids on some of the building improvement projects that need immediate attention. The roof on the DPH building (due to leaks) and the asphalt at the Woodland facility; we have started the rice sampling for the MADIS project; the Administrative Manager job description will be revised and updated.*

**b. Trustee's Report:** *Trustee Lyn Hawkins attended the summer meeting of the MVCAC, participating on the Trustee's committee and provided a verbal report. The MVCAC is working on the Trustee Manual, and also Trustee training for the fall meeting and the annual meeting. Trustee's Parrella and Goethel attended the Mosquito Research Foundation meeting in Visalia. The MRF is working towards accepting research proposals for funding by the end of the year.*

**c. Written Reports from District Departments:** *Written reports were provided in the Board packets from each department, and the department supervisors are available to answer any questions.*  
**Lab/Surveillance** – *Paula Macedo reported while the cx. pipiens had a late start, we have seen two peaks of above average; with the cx. Tarsalis, also with a late start, we are now seeing a very large percent increase in population from last year during this time frame; the freeborni population has also increased over the same time frame of last year; staff has increased surveillance around areas where positive virus activity was found, but did not find any more positive mosquito pools or positive dead birds. Ms. Macedo also explained the determination of chronic vs. acute in WNV positive birds.*

**Ecological Management:** *In addition to Marty's written report he reported on the following: department is responding to more requests from general public regarding drainage issues, due to lack of maintenance and vegetation increase; Marty has been working*

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*with Department of Water Resources and the Land Manager for Sherman and Twitchell Island to develop a BMP contract. Marty has been working with the Bureau of Reclamation regarding the Delta Meadows, to address the vegetation, standing water, and mosquito control issues; Marty attended a public forum regarding the Bay Delta Conservation Plan. The Yolo Bypass Fisheries Enhancement Planning Team recommended that BMP's be implemented for mosquito control that is an integrated portion of the conservation measure of the BDCP. Manager Brown acknowledged all of the diligent hard work Marty has put into the BDCP.*

**Fisheries:** *Demetri reported his department has stopped stocking the rice fields with fish for a total of 6,000 acres of rice; currently the department is cleaning and conducting maintenance of the district fish-rearing ponds.*

**Control Operations:** *Assistant Manager Gary Goodman reported control operations have been busy responding to the areas of positive WNV mosquito pools and dead birds. Field personnel are sampling rice fields and are beginning to make the change from liquid formulations to granular formulations; however, rice growing season is a couple of weeks behind due to cooler weather; catch-basins are still very active, as well as the numerous pools, and re-checking areas in the suburban areas of WNV positive sites; we are very active in the rice fields with adult mosquito control via aerial applications (5,000 to 9,000 acres at a time), also utilizing evening truck applications. In response to the positives found in the Wilton/Elk Grove area, truck applications have been utilized.*

**Public Information/Outreach:** *Luz reported our advertising campaigns are in full swing on radio and television. Many community groups are requesting mosquito repellents for outdoor events. Our mosquito newsletter is now in distribution within the Sacramento News & Review publication. We will have a booth at the Yolo County Fair that starts on August 17<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup>; we are also partnering with the "Blood Source" in their annual blood drive. Manager Brown also added that our outreach program has been very successful as evidenced by his meetings with various city councils and local officials who are very aware of our media outreach program.*

**Status of California NPDES Permit:** *Assistant Manager Goodman reported that our District has not filed for the NPDES permit as of yet. We were notified yesterday that there are some comments that were filed by an environmental group, so the MVCAC Coalition and CDPH are preparing a response to the SWRCB. We still have not received a response to the letter that we sent back in May to the SWRCB regarding the class of pesticides we would have*

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to use and the reporting aspects of it. The deadline now for filing for permit is October 31, 2011. The Coalition has been working with the SWRCB regarding a toxicity study funded for \$500,000.00 by the SWRCB. Two sites in San Joaquin County and two sites in Sacramento County (wetlands and agricultural area) have been sampled. Preliminary results have been pretty good, utilizing an eight hour sample and a twenty-four hour sample. These tests will help us coordinate our information with the Grand Canyon Laboratory staff with the State, and also our Coalition. If and/or when the permit goes into effect on October 31, 2011 we can provide the necessary data from these samples to meet the requirements of the permit. The estimated cost of sampling for each event is approximately \$3000.00.

**HR872 Update:** Senator Boxer and Senator Carden currently have a hold on HR 872 in the Senate. Discussions are ongoing to identify potential amendments that would be acceptable, as well as identify potential advocates of the bill in the senate who will vote to overcome the hold on the bill Congress is currently on recess.

**5. Board/Staff General Discussion.**

Opportunity for trustees and staff to ask questions for clarification, make brief announcements and reports, and for trustees to provide information to staff, request staff to report back on a matter, or direct staff to place a matter on a subsequent agenda.

Manager Brown announced that Dr. Glennah Trochet, Sacramento County Health Officer, is retiring on August 31, 2011. There will be a reception in the Sacramento County Board of Supervisor's chambers August 31<sup>st</sup> from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Manager Brown will attend. She will be sorely missed within Sacramento County for what she has done for public health. The announcement of her retirement was only received two days ago, not in time to include in the Board packets.

For future consideration, Manager Brown suggested that our December meeting date will likely be changed from December 20<sup>th</sup> to December 13<sup>th</sup>.

**6. Agenda Addition to Honor Dr. Trochet.**

*In light of the facts as outlined by Manager Brown in agenda item #5, learning of the retirement of Dr. Trochet prior to inclusion of information in the current board packet, and her retirement taking place before the next Board meeting, the board discussed adding to the Board agenda a resolution to honor her service by the District. On a motion by Trustee Washino, seconded by Trustee Goethel, the Board unanimously approved adding Agenda Item #6 to honor the service of Dr. Trochet.*

**7. Board Approval of District Resolution Honoring Sacramento County Health Officer Dr. Glennah Trochet.**

*Based on agenda item addition #6, Manager Brown will compose a resolution to honor the service of Sacramento County Health Officer Dr. Glennah Trochet. Upon the completion, Manager Brown will send a copy of the resolution to Board members for comments or suggestions. On a motion by Trustee Goethel, seconded by Trustee Tamayo, the Board unanimously approved the creation of a resolution to honor Dr. Trochet by Manager Brown and signed by Board President.*

**5. Board/Staff General Discussion cont.....**

*Opportunity for trustees and staff to ask questions for clarification, make brief announcements and reports, and for trustees to provide information to staff, request staff to report back on a matter, or direct staff to place a matter on a subsequent agenda.*


*Dr. Michael Parrella is going to be on sabbatical in Chile, and this is his last Board meeting. Board President Karpinski-Costa presented Trustee Parrella with a resolution and a plaque honoring his thirteen years of service with the District. His participation and service will be sorely missed and everyone wished him well.*

*Dr. Parrella offered some very special comments about the Board, the District, and all the staff. He also recognized Dr. Robert Washino as being instrumental in introducing him to participating on the Board of Trustees of the Sacramento-Yolo Mosquito & Vector Control.*

**8. Adjournment**

*The meeting adjourned at 11:35 a.m.*

*I certify that the above minutes substantially reflect the general business and actions taken by the Board of Trustees at the August 16th, 2011 meeting.*

  
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David Brown, Manager

*Approved as written and/or corrected by the Board of Trustees at the September 20, 2011 meeting.*

  
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Lyndon Hawkins, Secretary

\*\* Due to the absence of Secretary Hawkins,  
Vice-President Goethel signed the minutes.