

**MINUTES OF THE JUNE 18, 2013  
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:**

Lyndon Hawkins	President	Elk Grove
David Tamayo	Vice President	City of Sacramento
Frederick Goethel		Galt
Rosemarie Moore		Isleton
Bruce Eldridge		Yolo County
Jayna Karpinski-Costa		Citrus Heights
John Lewallen		Sacramento County
Raul DeAnda		West Sacramento
Robert McGarvey		Rancho Cordova
Craig Burnett		Folsom

**TRUSTEES ABSENT:**

Christopher Barker	Davis
Neal Peart	Woodland
Gregory Lanzaro	Winters

**LEGAL COUNSEL:** Absent

**STAFF PRESENT:**

David Brown	Manager
Gary Goodman	Assistant Manager
Janna McLeod	Administrative Manager
Paula Macedo	Lab Director
Marcia Reed	Program Coordinator
Demetri Dokos	Fisheries Supervisor
Marty Scholl	Ecological Mgmt Supervisor
Luz Maria Rodriguez	Public Information Officer

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 10:03 am by President Hawkins.

**Roll Call**

Trustees Christopher Barker, Neal Peart, and Gregory Lanzaro are absent; however, a quorum is present. Trustee David Tamayo arrived to the meeting at 10:12a.m.

## **Pledge of Allegiance**

*All phones and electronic devices are requested to be silenced during the meeting.*

## **1. ITEMS FOR APPROVAL BY GENERAL CONSENT**

A question was asked by Trustee Karpinski-Costa related to item d. Ms. Karpinski-Costa expressed concern about the federally owned and or managed land that produces mosquitoes that they are not responsible to pay for or control. Manager Brown responded that this is a nationwide issue that is currently be evaluated by the AMCA leadership.

On a motion by Trustee Goethel, seconded by Trustee Burnett, the Board voted to approve General Consent items a. through c. The motion passed by the following vote: Ayes: 9, Noes: 0, absent: 4.

- a. Minutes of the May 21, 2013 Board of Trustees meeting;
- b. Expenditures for May 2013;
- c. AMCA Government Sustaining Membership dues of \$5,000.00
- d. License Agreement between US Bureau of Reclamation and the SYMVCD District for the purpose of vector control activities on the Delta Cross Channel property.
- e. District Quarterly Investment Report for Period Ending March 31, 2013.

## **2. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT**

There were none.

## **3. REPORTS TO THE BOARD**

### **a. Managers Report:**

Manager Brown submitted a written report and provided an oral report.

Manager Brown indicated staff met with representatives for CDPH and supports the continuation of the Department's rental of the building.

Manager Brown informed the Board that staff participated in a press conference held by Sacramento County Health and Human Services regarding the proposal by the state to redirect health care funding from counties to the state as the Affordable Care Act is implemented. If these funds are shifted, the County Lab could be closed. This could disrupt the current arrangement we have testing our mosquitoes and birds at the lab.

Mr. Brown provided the Board with a copy of the proposed bike trail along the east side of the District property. At this time, the information communicated to the District by the City of Elk Grove indicates that the trail should have minimal impact on the District fence. Staff will continue to monitor this situation as it develops.

Manager Brown briefly discussed a vehicle that recently crashed into the front of the District Bond Road property. The vehicle destroyed approximately 100 feet of poles and fencing. The

driver was uninjured and staff is seeking estimates and working with the insurance carriers to recover costs for the repairs.

He also informed the Board that *Aedes aegypti* has been found in Madera County. He indicated staff is trained in the identification of this species should it make its way into our area.

**b. Written Reports from District Departments:** Written reports were provided in the Board packets from each department. The department supervisors each gave an oral presentation and were available to answer any questions.

**Lab/Surveillance:** Lab Director, Paula Macedo discussed mosquito and tick surveillance activities. Of 988 mosquito pools tested so far this year 7 pools have been identified as West Nile virus (WNV) positive pools. To date, 3 American Crows have tested positive for WNV.

Tick surveillance is ongoing and staff is collaborating on a project with Dr. Janet Foley (UC Davis). This project includes collection of Dermacentor ticks and other arthropods from Folsom and Davis to test for Tularemia (*Francisella tularensis*). A tick we received from the public along with others from the project have tested positive for Tularemia. Additional surveillance is being conducted at the Nimbus Dam, where the tick brought in from the public was acquired. Surveillance will also take place in other areas following Willow creek to Folsom. Samples will be tested by Dr. Foley.

**Ecological Management:** Ecological Management Supervisor Marty Scholl reported on his department projects. Mr. Scholl reported on the status of Stormwater/Drainage projects with the City of Elk Grove, Sacramento Regional County Sanitation District's Bufferlands, Delta Meadows, and Hansen Ranch. He updated the status of Environmental and Planning for the Lower Yolo Restoration and new housing development projects. Mr. Scholl also reported on the wetland program, cemetery program and source reduction/site access requests.

**Fisheries:** Fisheries Supervisor, Demetri Dokos, reported on the fisheries projects and general maintenance. Fish are continuing to be seined, moved, and provided to Technicians for service requests and the pool program. A parasite was found on some of the District's mosquitofish recently and staff consulted with the California Department of Fish and Wildlife to determine what course of action to be taken. CDFW suggested that the District protocols are appropriate and to continue to stock mosquitofish as usual. Staff will continue to consult with CDFW to ensure our fish are healthy and appropriate to stock in specific sites.

**Control Operations:** Program Coordinator, Marcia Reed reported for the Field Supervisors. Control operations are picking up as the weather gets warmer. Aerial larvicide treatments in the rice fields have begun. The Davis wastewater treatment facility has been treated 3 times as of last Wednesday. High trap counts and the first positive dead birds have kept control operations busy with source radius work. The first positive pools have resulted in the first ULV activity of the season.

**Public Information/Outreach:** Public Information Officer, Luz Maria Rodriguez reviewed her department activities promoting the District including special events, school and community presentations and social media. Ms. Rodriguez indicated the ad campaign is ongoing, TV commercials have started airing and billboards are going up and will rotate throughout the season.

**c. Update on District West Nile Virus Activity**

As of June 12<sup>th</sup>, one fatal case of human WNV was reported in California in 2013. A Sacramento County male resident tested positive for WNV earlier this year. His illness, as well as his laboratory test results, are potentially consistent with West Nile neuroinvasive disease. Because of his underlying illness as well as limited availability of lab tests, we can not be sure of the timing of his illness or whether his acute illness was due to WNV. Surveillance indicators for West Nile virus activity were negative in early March, when the individual was diagnosed.

Mosquitoes and birds are starting to test positive for West Nile virus.

**4. BOARD REVIEW OF DRAFT DISTRICT BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2013-2014.**

Manager Brown reviewed the draft budget. This included a discussion on property tax revenues and potential Redevelopment Funds the District has and may receive. Mr. Brown highlighted potential expenditures including a potential COLA based on the CPI. The Board directed the manager to include the COLA in the budget. He also discussed the effect retirement reform changes could have on the District budget and indicated staff needed policy direction from the Board to address changes to current District policy as it relates to pension reform. Further analysis of these items will continue to be included in upcoming meetings until the final draft is submitted for approval.

**5. BOARD REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION TO PURCHASE REPELLENT AND PROMOTIONAL ITEMS FOR PUBLIC OUTREACH PROGRAM NOT TO EXCEED \$54,000.00.**

On a motion by Trustee Burnett, seconded by Trustee Goethel, the Board voted to approve the purchase of Repellent and Promotional Items for Public Outreach Program not to exceed \$46,000.00. The motion passed by the following vote: Ayes: 10, Noes: 0, Absent: 3.

**6. BOARD /STAFF GENERAL DISCUSSION**

Manager Brown informed the Board that staff is meeting with the Conaway Conservancy this coming Thursday to discuss addressing mosquitoes on organic fields.

Friday Manager Brown and Assistant Manager Gary Goodman will be meeting with the State Water Resources Control Board regarding the NPDES monitoring requirements.

Manager Brown gave a brief update on the status of the Farm Bill.

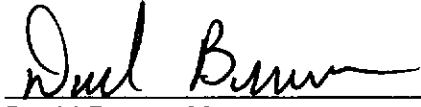
The MVCAC Summer Meeting will be held July 18 and the registration deadline is June 24<sup>th</sup>.

**7. ADJOURNMENT**

President Hawkins adjourned the meeting at 11:55 a.m.

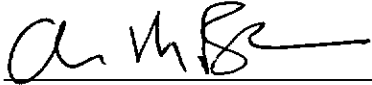
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I certify that the above minutes substantially reflect the general business and actions taken by the Board of Trustees at the June 18, 2013 meeting.



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David Brown, Manager

Approved as written and/or corrected by the Board of Trustees at the July 16, 2013 meeting.



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Christopher Barker, Secretary