

**MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 20, 2015
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE
SACRAMENTO-YOLO MOSQUITO & VECTOR CONTROL DISTRICT**

PLACE: Woodland Office, 1234 Fortna Avenue, Woodland CA 95776
TIME: 10:00 a.m.

TRUSTEES PRESENT:

Craig Burnett	President	Folsom
Bruce Eldridge	Vice President	Yolo County
Sean Denny	Secretary	Woodland
Christopher Barker		Davis
Raul DeAnda		West Sacramento
Frederick Goethel		Galt
Lyndon Hawkins		Elk Grove
Jayna Karpinski-Costa		Citrus Heights
Gregory Lanzaro		Winters
Raymond LaTorre		Sacramento
Susan Maggy		Sacramento County
Robert McGarvey		Rancho Cordova

TRUSTEES ABSENT:

Rosemarie Moore	Isleton
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LEGAL COUNSEL:

Richard Shanahan

STAFF PRESENT:

Gary Goodman	Manager
Janna McLeod	Administrative Manager
Paula Macedo	Laboratory Director
Marty Scholl	Ecological Management Supervisor
Luz Maria Robles	Public Information Officer
Michael Fike	Field Supervisor
Garth Ehrke	Field Supervisor

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by President Craig Burnett.

Roll Call

Trustee Rosemarie Moore is absent; however, a quorum is present.

Pledge of Allegiance

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

1. ITEMS FOR APPROVAL BY GENERAL CONSENT

On a motion by Trustee Denny, seconded by Trustee Goethel the Board voted to approve General Consent items a. through c. The motion passed by the following vote: Ayes: 12, Noes: 0, Absent: 1.

- a. Minutes of the September 15, 2015 Board of Trustees Meeting;
- b. Expenditures for September 2015;
- c. Annual Cooperative Agreement Between the California Department of Public Health and the Sacramento-Yolo Mosquito and Vector Control District

2. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

This item is reserved for members of the public who wish to speak on items not on the agenda.

There were none.

3. REPORTS TO THE BOARD

a. Manager's Report:

Manager Goodman provided written and verbal reports. He reported on West Nile virus activity within the District. Only a few positives are typically seen in October and then testing operations will cease for the winter. Manager Goodman reported no significant movement has been made on Senate Bill 1500 or HR 897 in Congress; therefore, staff will continue to monitor the situation. The State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) is planning to finish the new draft of the NPDES permit with adoption by the Board expected in January 2016. The District submitted a letter to the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) to help expedite a permit to conduct Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV) applications over agricultural areas. After evaluating potential changes to medical benefits for the upcoming benefit year staff has determined no changes will be made to the medical benefits with the exception of offering supplemental insurance plans. The independent auditors are working on completing their report and GASB 68 implementation and should present their findings to the Board later this year. The District is investigating options for a new insectary for the lab as outlined in the 5 year plan. Quotes are being received and we hope to bring the item to the Board before the end of the year.

b. Written Reports from District Departments: Written reports were provided in the Board packet 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 surveillance activities including mosquito abundance, mosquito trapping, and dead bird reports. The dead bird hotline has closed for the season. As the risk is lower for virus amplification, callers will be referred to the online reporting option through winter. Six thousand three hundred and fifty-one mosquito pools have been tested in 2015 and 325 have tested positive for West Nile virus. So far this year, 162 dead birds have tested positive for WNV. Sentinel chickens testing will run through the last week of October. Tick and Lyme disease surveillance activities will begin in November.

Ecological Management: Ecological Management Supervisor, Marty Scholl reported on department projects. He reported on the Fall Flooding program and Stormwater, Creeks and Stream program. Department staff met with the City of Sacramento and the City applied for

additional permits to perform major channel maintenance that the District will assist them with on an as needed basis throughout the fall.

Biological Control: Fisheries Supervisor, Tony Hedley reviewed department activities including fish planting statistics for the season. He also discussed the pond dye study which continues to be monitored and will track fish seining yield on a monthly and yearly basis. Fisheries staff have switch focused from rice fields to wetlands planting and winter activities including cleaning ponds and repairing netting has begun.

Larval and Adult Control: A written report was included in the Board packet.

Public Outreach: Public Information Officer Luz Robles discussed department activities. Ms. Robles reviewed events and projects. The advertising campaign has ended and school presentations are ongoing. Social Media outreach continues and the District Facebook page has exceeded our goal of 5000 likes.

4. BOARD DISCUSSION OF CAMDEN SPUR TRAIL PROJECT

Manager Goodman introduced the item and reviewed a map of the City's proposed changes along the District fence line. Manager Goodman and the Board reviewed and discussed the items requested by the District to ensure privacy and security of District property. This item was for review and discussion, no actions were taken.

5. BOARD DISCUSSION OF LAND USE REVENUE AND EXPENSES

Manager Goodman presented the item and reviewed the additional revenue and expense information listed by habitat contained in the staff report. Manager Goodman reviewed his continued discussions with other districts regarding a consistent regional approach to program treatments, larvae thresholds, types of treatment, and possible charges when control activities are needed on agricultural properties. After some discussion the general consensus of the Board is for the Manager to continue to move forward with open discussions leading to the development of a policy or program related to the costs of mosquito control on organic properties.

6. BOARD DISCUSSION AND VOTE FOR MVCAC TRUSTEE COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE SACRAMENTO VALLEY REGION

After discussion of the biographical information provided, the Board voted to make a selection between the two candidates, John Dukes and Stephen Morgan. The Board voted in favor of John Dukes by a count of 6 votes for John Dukes to 5 votes for Stephen Morgan. As current council representative, Lyndon Hawkins abstained from voting.

7. BOARD/STAFF REPORTS AND REQUESTS


President Burnett requested an update on Trustee training to be provided at a future meeting.

8. ADJOURNMENT

President Craig Burnett adjourned the meeting at 11:50 p.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 October 20, 2015 meeting.



Gary Goodman, Manager

Approved as written and/or corrected by the Board of Trustees at the November 17, 2015 meeting.



Sean Denny, Board Secretary