



## Ventura County Resource Conservation District

Mark Mooring, President  
Mike Mobley, Vice President/Treasurer  
Merrill Berge, Secretary  
Kevin Cannon, Director  
Tom Crocker, Director  
Bill Morris, Director  
Sean Anderson, Director

### MINUTES Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors Wednesday, January 20, 2021

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** The **January 20, 2021 Regular** meeting of the Board of Directors of the Ventura County Resource Conservation District (RCD) was called to order by President **Mooring** at 8:31 a.m., via remote access, with a quorum of Directors present.

2. **ROLL CALL & INTRODUCTIONS**

Mike Mobley was present  
Bill Morris was present  
Kevin Cannon was absent  
Tom Crocker was absent  
Mark Mooring was present  
Merrill Berge was present  
Sean Anderson was present

**STAFF PRESENT:**

Debra Gillis, Executive Director  
Jamie Whiteford, District Scientist  
Andy Spyrka, Resource Conservation Specialist

3. **ADOPTION OF AGENDA** President **Mooring** presented the agenda for board approval.

On motion by Director **Anderson**, Seconded by Director **Berge**, the Board adopted the **January 20, 2021** Agenda. Motion carried 4-1. Abstain: Mobley

4. **PUBLIC COMMENT** – None.

5. **REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS**

5.1. Report by Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS). – Dawn Afman reported on NRCS activities and announced a new soil conservationist, Diana. She also stated that there are two direct hire positions available in the Oxnard field office and will distribute the openings.

5.2 Report and discussion with RCD staff about RCD projects and upcoming opportunities – Jamie Whiteford reported on the status of many of the District's programs and projects.

5.3 Report by Executive Director – Debra Gillis reported on the Ventura County Board of Supervisors restoring the annual funding to the RCD in 2021-2022. She also reported on upcoming staff changes and staffing needs.

5.4 Report by Directors – Director Berge reported that she had a conversation with Supervisor Lavere and that she informed him about the RCD and what we do. Director Mobley talked about Supervisor Parks’ support of the RCD and his appreciation for the restored annual funding.

6. **CONSENT CALENDAR**

6.1 November 18, 2020 Minutes of the Regular Meeting.

On Motion by Director **Berge** and Seconded by Director **Morris**, the Board approved the November 18, 2020 Minutes of the Regular Meeting. Motion carried 5-0.

6.2 Financial Reports for November and December 2020.

On Motion by Director **Morris** and Seconded by Director **Mobley**, the Board approved financial reports for November and December 2020. Motion carried 5-0.

7. **ACTION CALENDAR**

**7.1 Discussion and possible action on adopting a COVID Prevention Policy.**

After discussion the Board tabled this item to the next regular meeting.

**7.2 Discussion and possible action on updates to the 2019-2023 VCRC D Strategic Plan.**

After discussion the Board tabled this item to the next regular meeting.

**7.3 Discussion and possible action on pursuing development of an equipment rental program for VCRC D equipment to other entities.**

After discussion the Board tabled this item to the next regular meeting.

8. **DISCUSSION CALENDAR**

8.1 General Board discussion on items of interest.

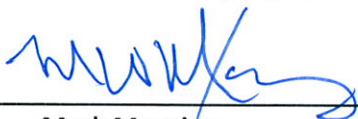
9. **REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS BY DIRECTORS**

10. **ADJOURNMENT** - President **Mooring** adjourned the meeting at 9:41 a.m.

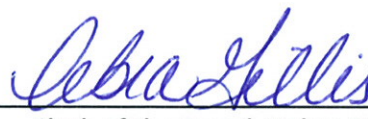
Respectfully submitted, Debra Gillis, Executive Director

**MINUTES APPROVED: February 17, 2021**

President:

  
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Mark Mooring

Attest:

  
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Clerk of the Board, Debra Gillis