

MINUTES
Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors
Wednesday, March 18th, 2026



Mark Mooring, President
Roy Talley, Vice President
Kevin Cannon, Secretary/Treasurer
Sean Anderson, Director
Misty McNamara, Director
Remington Richardson, Director
Brienne Schwabauer Whitcomb, Director
Jamie Whiteford, Executive Director

Ventura County Resource Conservation District

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** The **March 18, 2026**, meeting of the Board of Directors of the Ventura County Resource Conservation District (RCD) was called to order by Vice President Talley at 8:36 a.m. with a quorum of Directors present.
2. **ROLL CALL & INTRODUCTIONS**
Mark Mooring present
Roy Talley was present
Kevin Cannon was present
Sean Anderson was present remotely
Misty McNamara was present remotely
Remington Richardson was present remotely
Brienne Schwabauer Whitcomb was present remotely

STAFF PRESENT:
Jamie Whiteford, Executive Director
Alicia Miramontez, Administrative Coordinator
Alex Vaca, Resource Conservation Technician
John Zecua, Resource Conservation Specialist
Vic Akundzadeh, Irrigation Specialist
Ikuko Nakano, Agriculture Environment Systems Specialist
Jia Wiebe, Conservation Ecologist
Rachel Ray, Resource Conservation Technician

PUBLIC
None Present
3. **ADOPTION OF AGENDA:** On motion by Secretary Cannon, second by Director Whitcomb, the Board adopted the **March 18, 2026, agenda**. Motion carried 7-0.
4. **PUBLIC COMMENT**
None

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5. REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS

5.1 Audit review conducted by Paul J. Kaymark, and Anabel Cruz of Nigro & Nigro. The review included the 2025 financial statements, along with a comprehensive analysis of the organization's current financial position presented to the board. Board members were given the opportunity to ask questions.

5.2 NRCS was not present to provide a report on current activities.

5.3 The Water Resources team, consisting of John Zecua, Alex Vaca, and Vic Akundzadeh, presented on current Water Resources grants, including AEWQA 1 and 2, AMMP, IIMRLN, and WETA. They highlighted ongoing farm visits and the technical assistance provided to various farmers. They also demonstrated the Nutrient and Irrigation Management (NIM) Station, explaining its functions and data collection capabilities.

5.4 Jamie Whiteford provided a summary of administrative efforts, including board filing compliance. He informed the board of current job openings for the Resource Conservation Technician and Regional Programs Coordinator positions, noting that these roles have been posted across multiple platforms with the goal of filling them as soon as possible. He also addressed office space needs, including the request for VCRC's tenant (Menne) to vacate rented office space to accommodate new staff and ensure capacity to meet grant deliverables.

6. CONSENT CALENDAR

6.1 On Motion by Vice President **Talley** and Seconded by Secretary **Cannon**, the Board voted to approve **February 18, 2026, minutes of the regular meeting**. Motion carried 7-0.

6.2 On Motion by Vice President **Talley** and Seconded by Secretary **Cannon**, the Board voted to accept the **February 2026 financial reports**. Motion carried 7-0.

7. ACTION CALENDAR

7.1 None noted

8. DISCUSSION CALENDAR

8.1 None noted

9. REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS BY DIRECTORS:

9.1 4% Investment

10. ADJOURNMENT – President Mooring adjourned the meeting at 10:59 a.m.

Respectfully submitted, Jamie Whiteford, Executive Director

MINUTES APPROVED:

President: _____

Mark Mooring, President

Attest: _____

Jamie Whiteford, Executive Director