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Ventura County Resource Conservation District

MINUTES

Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors
Wednesday, November 19th, 2025

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** The **November 19th, 2025** meeting of the Board of Directors of the Ventura County Resource Conservation District (RCD) was called to order by President **Mooring** 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
Brienne Schwabauer Whitcomb was absent

STAFF PRESENT:
Jamie Whiteford, Executive Director
Alicia Miramontez, Administrative Coordinator
Ikuko Nakano, Agricultural Environmental Systems Specialist
Mary Reyes, Education and Outreach Coordinator

PUBLIC
Brooks Engelhardt, District Conservationist, Natural Resources Conservation Service
3. **ADOPTION OF AGENDA:** President **Mooring** requested the agenda to be adopted. On motion by Vice President **Talley**, Seconded by Director **Richardson**, the Board adopted the **November 19th, 2025 agenda**. Motion carried 6-0.
4. **PUBLIC COMMENT**
None.
5. **REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS**

5.1 Brooks Engelhardt discussed Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS) incentives programs and conservation planning efforts, including helping farmers comply with farm plans for the new Ag Order.

5.2 On behalf of the Fundraising Committee, Ikuko (Coco) Nakano and Mary Reyes discussed the Board Member Outreach Toolkit for VCRCD's inaugural Giving Tuesday Campaign, "From the Ground Up".

5.3 Jamie Whiteford provided a summary of administrative efforts and briefly showcased VCRCD activities on behalf of the VCRCD Teams.

6. **CONSENT CALENDAR**

6.1 On Motion by Director **Anderson** and Seconded by Secretary **Cannon**, the Board voted to approve the **October 17th, 2025, minutes of the regular meeting**. Motion carried 6-0.

6.2 On Motion by Director **Anderson** and Seconded by Secretary **Cannon**, the Board voted to accept the **October 2025 financial reports**. Motion carried 6-0.

7. **ACTION CALENDAR**

None

8. **DISCUSSION CALENDAR**

President **Mooring** introduced a comment provided by an anonymous source asking the Board to consider issuing a statement regarding the District's stance towards ICE activities in the County.

The Board stated that, while empathetic to those affected, the District will continue to follow the lead of the Ventura County Board of Supervisors (VCBOS) by not releasing a statement but, in light of this request, will review whether VCBOS has released any recent guidance regarding this issue.

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

The Board requested that the VCBOS guidance review be added to the January 21, 2026, agenda

10. **ADJOURNMENT** – President Mooring adjourned the meeting at 9:48 a.m.

Respectfully submitted, Jamie Whiteford, Executive Director

MINUTES APPROVED:

President: _____

Mark Mooring, President

Attest: _____

Jamie Whiteford, Executive Director