

REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, May 12, 2026, 10:00am

Resource Conservation District of Greater San Diego County Office
11769 Waterhill Road, Lakeside CA 92040

Link for remote participants: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82512128155>
meeting ID: 825 1212 8155

DIRECTORS PRESENT: Don Butz, Neil Meyer, Diane Moss, Maggie Sleeper, Mike McGrath
DIRECTORS ABSENT: Marilyn Huntamer
VACANCIES: One
ASSOC. DIRECTORS PRESENT: Jeshua Taucher, Stephen Fillmore; Online: Ofelia Lichtenfeld
ASSOC. DIRECTORS ABSENT: Jo Mackenzie
OTHERS PRESENT: Ann Baldrige, Heather Cady, Chris Kelley, Steve Boehmer, Lani Lutar, Elizabeth Garcia; online: Celine Morales, Michael (unknown – did not speak)

Land Acknowledgement Statement: Since time immemorial, the San Diego County region has been the home of the Kumeyaay, Luiseño, Cahuilla, and Cupeño Native people. We acknowledge that people have come before us and lived with care and respect on these lands. We recognize that we are now on the lands of these indigenous people who are still here and will always be. We honor the Indigenous people living today as well as their ancestors, and we deeply respect their resilience and connection to the land.

1. **CALL TO ORDER, INTRODUCTION- CALL TO ORDER 10:08AM**
2. **ADDITIONS/CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (GOV. CODE 54954.2 (B))**
Motion (Meyer/Moss) to approve agenda as presented; passed unanimously: Butz, McGrath, Meyer, Moss, Sleeper; Absent: Huntamer
3. **PUBLIC COMMENT**
Public may comment on non-agenda items at this time. Public may comment on agenda items when they are discussed. Speakers are asked to limit comments to three minutes. (Gov. Code 54954.3(a)).
No public speaker slips or online comment requests
4. **CONSENT CALENDAR**
4-1 Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes of April 14, 2026
4-2 Note and file monthly Treasurer's Reports for March 2026
4-3 Approve monthly expenses for April 2026
Motion (Meyer/Moss) to accept Consent Calendar. Approved unanimously: Butz, McGrath, Meyer, Moss, Sleeper; Absent: Huntamer
5. **STAFF PRESENTATION**
Elizabeth Garcia presented on the California Underserved and Small Producers (CUSP) Program and the impacts of a CUSP TA grant recently completed by the RCD.
6. **BOARD ACTION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS**
6-1 Discuss/Approve: Letter to City of San Diego
Motion (Sleeper/Meyer) to submit letter pending suggested edits: Butz, McGrath, Meyer, Moss, Sleeper; Absent: Huntamer

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6-2 Discuss/Approve: Appoint voting delegate for CARCD regional meeting

Motion (Meyer/Sleeper) to nominate Director Huntamer as voting delegate. Approved unanimously: Butz, McGrath, Meyer, Moss, Sleeper; Absent: Huntamer

6-3 Discuss/Approve: Preliminary budget for fiscal year 2026-27

Motion (Sleeper/Meyer) to approve preliminary budget. Approved unanimously: Butz, McGrath, Meyer, Moss, Sleeper; Absent: Huntamer

6-4 Discuss/Approve: California CLASS investments

Motion (Sleeper/McGrath) to approve investments in CA Class Tier II account. Approved unanimously: Butz, McGrath, Meyer, Moss, Sleeper; Absent: Huntamer

6-5 Discuss/Approve: New Associate Director application

Motion (Sleeper/Meyer) to appoint Stephen Fillmore as an Associate Director. Approved unanimously: Butz, McGrath, Meyer, Moss, Sleeper; Absent: Huntamer

7. STAFF AND OTHER REPORTS

7-1 Executive Director's Staff Report (attached)

7-2 Grant Status Spreadsheets (attached)

8. OTHER AGENCY, DIRECTOR, ASSOC DIRECTOR, COMMITTEE, AND ASSOCIATION REPORTS

8-1 CARCD Report: Ann Baldrige gave brief update on new by-laws and call for regional meeting

8-2 Director/Assoc. Director and Other Activity or Committee Reports

8-3 NRCS Report: Celine Morales, District Conservationist, provided a brief update by Zoom.

9. AGENDA SETTING – Staff to report back on additional hours for Elizabeth Garcia to continue providing CUSP TA through the end of the 2026 to align with producer funding.

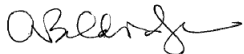
10. CLOSED SESSION entered into closed session at 11:30AM, open session resumed at 11:52PM.

10-1 PUBLIC EMPLOYEE EVALUATION – Government Code Section 54957

Title: Executive Director Evaluation- **Direction given no reportable action.**

11. ADJOURNMENT 11:53AM

Respectfully submitted,



Ann Baldrige, Executive Director