

## **Gold Ridge Resource Conservation District**

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## **Minutes**

# Meeting of the GOLD RIDGE RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT PHONE: 707.823.5244 FAX: 707.823.5243 Thursday, August 21, 2014

Location:	Gold Ridge RCD Office: 2776 Sullivan Rd, Sebastopol, CA 95472
	Call for directions

Time: 6-8 pm

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## I. CALL TO ORDER, DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM, INTRODUCTIONS

The meeting was called to order at 6:04 pm. Directors present: Joe Dutton, Richard Hughes, Don Petersen, Jill Butler Directors absent: Ann Cassidy Associate Directors present: Al Gerhardt, Bob Burke Staff present: Brittany Heck, Joe Pozzi Others present:

#### II. ADDITIONS/CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (GOV. CODE 54954.2 (B)

**III. PUBLIC COMMENT** Public may comment on agenda items when they are discussed. Speakers are asked to limit comments to three minutes (Gov. Code 54954.3(a)). *Al Gerhardt gave staff an update of the County's Riparian Ordinance.* 

#### IV. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

#### 4-1 Correspondence and Notices/Additional Agenda Items- Brittany Heck

- FY 13/14 Audit has begun
- RCD contacted by assets group. Bob Burke to follow up with Brittany.
- *Review of Water Bond and RCDs potential ability to use funds for projects*
- Board to return form 700s

## 4-2 Jill Butler Oath of Office - Brittany Heck and Jill Butler

4-3 **Financial and Sustainability Committee Report**- Ann Cassidy LOC, Note, SOW with County, Meeting with DFW and hiring of new staff



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4-4 Review bids for Freestone Ranch Gully Stabilization Project –Brittany Heck

#### V. CONSENT CALENDAR

5-1 July 23, 2014 Minutes

#### 5-2 Grant Status/Staff Report

Motion to approve consent calendar 1<sup>st</sup> Don Petersen /2<sup>nd</sup> Richard Hughes All ayes. Motion carried.

#### VI. ACTION ITEMS

6-1 **Approval of NRCS Report** *No Report Given* 

# 6-2 Approval of contractor(s) and amount for Freestone Ranch Gully Stabilization Project and Authorization for Executive Director to enter into an Agreement with selected contractor(s) for approved amount.

Motion to approve Bohan & Canelis General Engineering for \$36,960

1<sup>st</sup> Jill Butler /2<sup>nd</sup> Don Petersen All ayes. Motion carried.

6-3 Authorization for Executive Director to amend the Agreement with the Regents of the University of California Scripps Institute of Oceanography for the Green Valley Creek Off Channel Winter Refugia Habitat Enhancement Project – Year 2, funded by NOAA NA13NMF4630131. The goal of the project is to directly address the need for winter rearing and high flow refugia habitat in lower Green Valley Creek by creating floodplain connection and off-channel habitat availability at winter base flows. This will allow salmonids access to the complex backwater and seasonal wetland habitat during high flow conditions when velocities can be a habitat barrier and throughout the winter rearing season. UCCE will be conducting the biological monitoring and fish usage of Green Valley Creek and the constructed side channel. Maximum compensation is **\$40,098** and the Agreement expires on July 31, 2015. *Motion to approve Authorization* 

1<sup>st</sup> Don Petersen /2<sup>nd</sup> Richard Hughes All ayes. Motion carried.

6-4 Authorization for Executive Director to enter into an Agreement with Prunuske Chatham Inc. for the Green Valley Creek Off-Channel Winter Refugia Habitat Project for grant agreement NOAA NA13NMF4630131 and DFW P1330401. The goal of the project is to directly address the need for winter rearing and high flow refugia habitat in lower Green Valley Creek by creating floodplain connection and off-



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channel habitat availability at winter base flows. This will allow salmonids access to the complex backwater and seasonal wetland habitat during high flow conditions when velocities can be a habitat barrier and throughout the winter rearing season. PCI will be providing construction support services.

Maximum compensation is **\$25,603** and the Agreement expires on July 31, 2015. *Motion to approve Authorization* 

1<sup>st</sup> Don Petersen /2<sup>nd</sup> Richard Hughes

All ayes. Motion carried.

# 6-5 Authorization for Executive Director to enter into an Agreement with Stetson Engineers Inc. for the Salmon Creek Dairy Water Conservation Design Project 2 for grant agreement DFW P1330412.

The goal of the project is to to promote off-channel storage to reduce impacts of water diversion in Salmon Creek. Implementation of this project will eliminate the need for the landowner to utilize riparian water sources during the low-flow summer months. Storage for approximately 1,800,000 US gallons of roofwater catchment is proposed. Stetson Engineers Inc. will be provideing 100% engineering design, including a bid package to: 1) Collect and divert rainwater from the roofs of three existing structures (the free-stall barn and two hay barns) and one planned structure (60'x120' barn); 2) Develop a lined earthen reservoir to provide storage for the collected rainwater, and 3) Complete a pump design to convey the stored water to existing livestock drinking

water supply tanks for the dairy.

Maximum compensation is **\$37,773** and the Agreement expires on December 31, 2014. *Motion to approve Authorization* 

1<sup>st</sup> Don Petersen /2<sup>nd</sup> Jill Butler All ayes. Motion carried.

## 6-6 Approval of Financial Report/Warrant Request

Motion to approve Financial Report/Warrant Request 1<sup>st</sup> Don Petersen /2<sup>nd</sup> Richard Hughes All ayes. Motion carried.

## VII. ADJOURNMENT AND AGENDA SETTING Meeting closed at 8:22pm

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# **Calendar of Upcoming Events**

RCD Board Meeting	September 18, 6:00 pm, GRRCD Office	

<b>Board of Directors</b>		Staff	
Joe Dutton	<b>Board President</b>	Brittany Heck	Executive Director
<b>Richard Hughes</b>	Vice President	Joe Pozzi	District Manager
Don Petersen	Treasurer	Noelle Johnson	<b>Conservation Planner</b>
Ann Cassidy	Secretary	John Green	Lead Scientist/Project Manager
Jill Butler	Director	Sierra Cantor	Ecologist
Bob Burke	Associate Director	William Hart	Project Manager
Al Gerhardt	Associate Director	Michele Weger	Bookkeeper
Torrey Olson	Associate Director	Jeremye Schroen	Field Technician
		Mare O'Connell	Financial Manager