



**Board Meeting Minutes**  
**January 19, 2023 - 3:30PM-5:30PM**

**MEETING LOCATION:** Gold Ridge Resource Conservation District, 2776 Sullivan Road, Sebastopol, CA 95472  
*And remotely*

**District Directors:** Joe Dutton, President; Mel Sanchietti, Director; Guy Smith, Director; Lorri Duckworth, Director; Elias Zegarra, Director

**Associate Directors:** Chris Choo, Temra Costa

**1. Call to order, Determination of a Quorum, Introductions**

*Meeting was called to order at 3:35*

*Directors present: Joe Dutton, Mel Sanchietti, Guy Smith, Elias Zegarra, Lorri Duckworth*

*Directors absent: None*

*Associate directors present: Temra Costa*

*Associate Directors absent: Chris Choo*

*Staff present: Brittany Jensen, William Hart, Joe Pozzi, John Green, Michele Harris, Mare O'Connell*

*Other attendees: Chase Garcia NRCS*

**2. Additions/Changes to the Agenda (Gov. Code 54954.2 (B))**

*None*

**3. 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)).

*None*

**4. Informational Items**

**a. Gold Ridge RCD Updates & Notices**

**b. Report out on Ad Hoc Financial Sustainability Committee Meeting (Mare O'Connell)**

Meeting was held 1/23 2:30-3:30, no action items for board

**c. Carbon Farm Program Update (William Hart)**

**d. CalTrans Mitigation Project Contracting Update (John Green)**

**5. Consent Calendar**

**a. December 2022 Special Meeting Minutes, January 2023 Grant Status Report (Brittany Jensen)**

*Motion to approve Item 5: 1<sup>st</sup> Sanchietti, 2<sup>nd</sup> Smith. Ayes: Sanchietti, Dutton, Smith, Zegarra, Duckworth  
Nays: None. Abstentions: None*

**6. Action Items**

**a. Approval of Financial Report, and Warrant Request for FY 22/23 through November 2022 (Mare O'Connell)**

*Motion to approve Item 5: 1<sup>st</sup> Sanchietti, 2<sup>nd</sup> Smith. Ayes: Sanchietti, Dutton, Smith, Zegarra, Duckworth Nays: None. Abstentions: None*

- b. Approval of Executive Director to enter into a contract with Fire Safe Sonoma for the CAL FIRE Fire Prevention Grant Program “West Sonoma County Collaborative: Community Capacity Building Phase 1” (#212) for project management services for \$245,520 (Adriana Stagnaro)**

*Motion to approve Item 5: 1<sup>st</sup> Smith, 2<sup>nd</sup> Duckworth. Ayes: Sanchietti, Dutton, Smith, Zegarra, Duckworth Nays: None. Abstentions: None*

- c. Approve Resolution 2023-01 authorizing the Executive Director to enter into an agreement with the California Department of Fish and Wildlife for implementation of the Mt. Gilead Water Conservation and Streamflow Improvement Project (#215) for \$868,715 (John Green)**

*Motion to approve Item 5: 1<sup>st</sup> Sanchietti, 2<sup>nd</sup> Zegarra. Ayes: Sanchietti, Dutton, Smith, Zegarra, Duckworth Nays: None. Abstentions: None*

**7. Future Agenda Items**

**8. Adjournment**

*Meeting was adjourned at 5:30pm*

**District Staff:**

Brittany Jensen, Executive Director  
Joe Pozzi, District Manager  
Noelle Johnson, Deputy Director  
John Green, Lead Scientist & Program Manager  
Sierra Cantor, Ecologist  
William Hart, Project Manager  
Adriana Stagnaro, Outreach & Project Manager  
Michele Harris, District Administrator

Mare O’Connell, Financial Manager  
Jason Wells, Forester  
Sophia Tsue, Education & Outreach Coordinator  
Tess Polizzotti, GrizzlyCorps Fellow  
Angel Arcuri, ClimateCorps Fellow  
Will Spangler, Conservation Project Manager  
Tom Hammond, Shared Engineer