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AGENDA REGULAR BOARD MEETING EASTERN KERN COUNTY RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT (EKCRCD)

MEETING TIME: Wednesday, May 3, 2017, 9:00-11:00 AM
LOCATION: Large conference room, BLM, 300 S. Richmond Rd., Ridgecrest

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CALL TO ORDER
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
ROLL CALL

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA:

PUBLIC COMMENT: This portion of the meeting is reserved for persons desiring to address the Board on any matter that is not on the agenda but under the jurisdiction of the Board. Board members may respond briefly to statements made or questions posed. They may ask a question for clarification; make a referral to staff for factual information, or request staff to report back to the Board at a later meeting. Also, the Board may take action to direct the staff to place a matter of business on a future agenda. However, no action may be taken by the Board at this time. [Gov. code 54954.3 (a)]

CONSENT ITEMS: Consent items are considered to be routine and non-controversial. They will be considered first and may be approved by on motion if no member of the Board or audience wishes to comment or ask questions. If comment or discussion is desired by anyone, the item will be removed from the Consent list and will be considered in listed sequence with an opportunity for any member of the public to address the Board concerning the item before action is taken.

Minutes/Correspondence:

Approve:

- Minutes, Regular Meeting, April 5, 2017
- Minutes, Special Meeting, April 19, 2017
- Correspondence Logs

ADMINISTRATIVE and FISCAL:

Approve:

- Financial reports-account balances, spending reports

ACTION ITEMS:

- Decide whether to create a new Finance committee; make committee assignments.
- Designate or re-designate Board members as EKCRCD representatives/alternates to:
-Restoration Advisory Board (RAB), China Lake

- Indian Wells Valley Cooperative Ground-Water Management Group (IWVCGWMG)
- Inyo-Mono Integrated Regional Water Management Group (IMIRWMG)
- Fremont Valley Integrated Regional Water Management Group (FVIRWMG).
- BLM Roundtable
- RAB, Edwards AFB

- Amend Associate Director policy to allow members who have served two or more years as Associate Directors and reside within the district to become Directors.
- Authorize a board member to write a letter of recommendation for Mike Powell to be appointed as Director.
- Authorize Director Merk to submit an application for speak-off contestant sponsorship. Authorize funding as necessary.
- Vote whether to add “Work with BLM Wild Horse and Burro Program to convert manure to fertilizer” to Goal 1.3 (work with other partners to accomplish projects) of the Long-Range and Annual plans.
- Authorize purchase of a conference-call phone that works with new BLM Internet-based phone system.
- Discuss payment of CARCD dues, which are based on EKCRCD annual expenses.

REGULAR REPORTS:

Agency Reports:

- **Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS)**
- **California Association of Resource Conservation Districts (CARCD) /High Desert Region (HDR)**-report on 4/25 conference call, update on grant
- **IWVGWA**

EKCRCD Committee Reports:

- **Water Resources** (Thomas/Decker/Powell)
- **Xeriscape** (Thomas, Decker, Sanders)

DIRECTOR COMMENTS:

AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Next regular meeting is Wednesday, June 7, 2017, 9:00-11:00 AM, BLM large conference room, 300 S. Richmond Rd., Ridgecrest

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