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

MEETING TIME: Tuesday, June 13, 2023, 6:00-8:00 PM

LOCATION: Ridgecrest Room, Kerr-McGee Community Center

100 W. California Ave., Ridgecrest

Dial-in option: 551-240-6749; no access code needed Online option: https://join.freeconferencecall.com/ekcrcd3

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CALL TO ORDER
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
ROLL CALL

Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) Report:

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA*:

*Additions to the agenda may be discussed but not acted upon.

PUBLIC COMMENT: This portion of the meeting is reserved for persons desiring to address the Board on any matter that is <u>not on the agenda</u> 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 for May 9, 2023 meeting.

Correspondence logs for June, 2023

Financial Reports for May:

Balance and spending reports

- Bank statements
- Reconciliation reports
- Registers

Approve consent items.

ACTION ITEMS:

- Approve payment of CARCD 2023-24 dues in the amount of \$766.70. Due 8/31/23.
- Discuss and possibly approve request for funding by Ridgecrest Community Garden.
- Review Wildlife Conservation Board-CARCD habitat restoration grant subcontract. Approve signing or discussing requirements for signing.
- Authorize comment letter on Cal. Dept. of Food and Ag. urban agriculture grant program. Comment period closes 6/15/23. CDFA definition of urban area leaves out all rural counties.
- Updates:
 - Update on Dept. of Conservation capacity building grant CARCD will have news of their application in July. Review Strategic Plan statements and next steps.
 - -Plant sale and talk

Discuss dates.

- Briefly discuss previously funded Coordinated Resource Management Plan (CRMP) grant for flood control and sharing it with other entities.
- Discuss and possibly approve field trip and budget to Mojave Desert Land Trust.

REGULAR REPORTS:

Indian Wells Valley Water District (IWVWD)-

Report on 5/9/23 meeting.

See written report (attached in board packet and available in EKCRCD office).

Indian Wells Valley Groundwater Authority (IWVGA)

Report 5/10/23 IWVGA meeting.

See written report (attached in board packet and available in EKCRCD office).

Administrative Assistant Report- See written report (available in office after this meeting).

- -Website hits for May: 6,156.
- -Ethics training is due for all board members.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

None.

DIRECTOR COMMENTS:

AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The next regular board meeting will be 6:00-8:00 PM on 7/11/23 in the California City Chamber of Commerce Building.

ADJOURNMENT

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