



Eastern Kern County Resource Conservation District  
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**AGENDA**  
**REGULAR BOARD MEETING**  
**EASTERN KERN COUNTY RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT (EKCRCD)**

**MEETING TIME:** Tuesday, June 14, 2022, 12:00-2:00 PM  
**LOCATION:** Large conference room, BLM  
300 S. Richmond Road, Ridgecrest  
*Dial-in option: 551-240-6749; no access code needed*

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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 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 for 5/10/22 meeting**

**Correspondence logs for May**

**Financial Reports for May:**

- Balance and spending reports
- Bank statements
- Reconciliation reports
- Registers

**Approve consent items.**

## **ACTION ITEMS:**

- **Consider donation/sponsorship requests:**
  - Penny Pines Program
  - Inyo-Mono Integrated Regional Water Management Group (IMIRWM)
  - Ridgecrest Community Garden
- **Authorize payment of CARCD dues in the amount of \$766.70.**
- **Discuss Mountain States Wholesale Nursery's move and plant sale options.**
- **Discuss state and federal plans regarding the Desert Tortoise (DT).**  
**Authorize comment letters as necessary.**
  - CA accepting public comments on uplisting the DT to endangered status. Comment period open through 6/25/22.
  - USFWS in cooperation with BLM is accepting comments on proposed DT General Conservation Plan. Comments accepted through 7/1/22.
- **Vote on Cal. Special Districts Association Board Seat B.**
- **Revote on participation in Cal.-Ag.-Pollinator-Solar Working Group meetings in light of per meeting stipends** (\$130 per meeting for RCDs, \$150 per meeting per farmer).
- **Discuss conference call with Karen Buhr of Cal. Association of RCDs (CARCD) on update of Division 9. Vote on whether to support AB-1902 and further courses of action.**

## **REGULAR REPORTS:**

### **Indian Wells Valley Water District (IWWVD)-**

Report on 6/13/22 meeting.

### **Indian Wells Valley Groundwater Authority (IWVGA)**

Report on 5/11/22 meeting. See written report and Policy Advisory Committee minutes (5/26/22) in board packet (available in office).

### **Administrative Assistant Report-**

See written report available at meeting.

Website hits for the month of May were 4,884.

Ethics training is due for Directors Decker, Powell, and Holman. Anti – sexual harassment training is due for Directors Decker, Powell, and Holman.

## **DIRECTOR COMMENTS:**

## **AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

The time and date of the next regular board meeting will be decided at this meeting.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

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