Colusa County
RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT
January 20th, 2026

100 Sunrise Blvd., Colusa, CA. 95932
CCRCD Meeting Minutes

DIRECTORS PRESENT: Walt Seaver, Beth Nall, Allen Gobel (left early), Tom Hickok, Alex Struckmeyer, Lorraine Marsh, Gary Evans
DIRECTORS ABSENT: None
OTHERS PRESENT: Liz Harper-Price- CCRCD Executive Director, Shawn Humphrey- CCRCD Financial Assistant, Tucker Bennett- CCRCD Program Manager, Anastacia Allen- County of Colusa Agricultural Commissioner,

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 pm

PUBLIC COMMENT
No public comment.

CONSENT CALENDAR
ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA:
The agenda was accepted as presented.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:
The minutes for the meeting on December 16th, 2025, were presented. Gobel moved to approve the December minutes and the January agenda. The motion was seconded by Seaver. The motion carried with Ayes, 0 Noes, 0 Absent, 1 Abstain, 0 Vacant.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

A. The Directors received balance sheets for December 19th, 2025, to January 19th, 2026. The CCRCD's fund balances were as follows: Umpqua checking account $1,400.00; Petty Cash account $100.00; CCRCD General Fund (464) $12,661.93; CCRCD Misc. Projects (473) $185,069.45; The DOC fund (475) $466,733.74; CalFire fund (477) $3,286.77; Clearing Account fund (465) $0.00 and NEW Pollinator Habitat Program Fund (466) $0.00;
B. The claims to be paid in December were US Bank CalCard at $2,485.89; Petty Cash at $0.00; Shelby Hebert at $ 44.27; Kurt Vaughn at $2336.79 and $1193.05; County Counsel at $415.88; Clyde Hladky at $1282.08.
C. Gobel moved to approve the claims and fund balance report. The motion was seconded by Hickok. The motion carried with 7 Ayes, 0 Noes, Absent, 0 Abstain, 0 Vacant.

PUBLIC/PARTNERS COMMUNICATIONS:

A. Natural Resource Conservation Service: Deadlines were presented for applications to CSP, EQIP and RCPP programs
B. Agriculture Commissioner: Commissioner Allen reported that the 2025 Crop Report is in progress. The department received a grant from DPR to provide funding for outreach and education. The migrant center has an off-season agreement with the Department of Health and Human Services for emergency sheltering. The center is undergoing winter pre-registration of migrants, cleaning and maintenance gearing up for move-ins this April. The Commissioner updated the board on AB732, an Ag Land Nuisance bill that went in effect January 1, 2026. The commissioner and her department are putting together an implementation plan, and this takes place of county ordinances her team was working on in the recent past.
C. Supervisor Corona: Supervisor Corona reported that he will no longer serve as our liaison to the Board of Supervisors. Supervisor Wilson will begin to attend our meetings regularly in his place.
D. CCRCD Board Member reports: New Directors Evans and Marsh welcomed the board. All directors went around the table to share their experiences that brought them to the RCD to serve as directors.

GENERAL BUSINESS ACTION ITEMS:

#1: The Board received an update that CAL FIRE will retain the Lead Agency role for the Favero Ranch CalVTP project, with Yolo County RCD providing monitoring support as needed. This item was informational only and required no action.

#2: The Board reviewed the proposed $8.00 rental rate, draft rental agreement, and supporting materials for the Rice Roller Equipment Rental Program. Gobel moved to approve the rental agreement pending review by insurance and legal counsel; Hickok seconded the motion.

Motion passed: 7 Ayes, 0 Noes, 0 Absent, 0 Abstentions, 0 Vacant.

#3: The Board discussed moving the February 2026 regular meeting to coincide with the Strategic Plan Retreat on Thursday, February 19, 2026. Consensus was reached to hold the Board meeting at either the beginning or end of the retreat day, with the final schedule to be determined later. Seaver moved to approve the meeting change; Struckmeyer seconded the motion.

Motion passed: 7 Ayes, 0 Noes, 0 Abstentions, 0 Absent, 0 Vacant.

#4: The Board reviewed the sick leave accrual policy and approved adopting a pro-rated sick leave accrual system for employees working more than 50% FTE. The Board also authorized retroactive sick leave benefits for employee Humphrey to align with the revised policy. Stuckmeyer moved to approve the sick leave policy change, and Humphrey's sick leave accrued to pro-rated amount; Evans seconded the motion.

Motion passed: 6 Ayes, 0 Noes, 0 Abstentions, 1 Absent, 0 Vacant.

#5: The Board reviewed proposals for a three-year auditor/CPA contract for fiscal years 2024-25 through 2026-27. Smith & Newell were selected as the firm to move forward with the auditor's contract. Seaver moved to approve CPA/Auditor; Struckmeyer seconded the motion.

Motion passed: 6 Ayes, 0 Noes, 0 Abstentions, 1 Absent, 0 Vacant.

INFORMATIONAL/DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Director requirements: Ethics and Anti-Harassment Training
2. CCRCD Staff Reports and Project Updates- reports were emailed to the board

IDENTIFICATION OF ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

The meeting was adjourned at 4:55 pm. The next meeting will be Thursday, February 19th, 2026, at 8:30 am in the CIP Conference Room at 100 Sunrise Blvd., Colusa, CA 95932.

Respectfully Submitted,

Elizabeth Harper Price-Secretary/Treasurer-Colusa Co. RCD