

Fall River Resource Conservation District

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Meeting Minutes Fall River RCD
October 16, 2019 @ 19:00 hrs

Establish Quorum: , Bill Buckman [], Clay Jacobson [], Chuck Macfarlane []
Don Martin [X], Mike Millington [X], Pat Oilar [X], Dan Klatt [X]

Staff: Sharmie Stevenson [X], Todd Sloat [], Garrett Costello [], Julie Allen [X],
Sara Small []

Call To Order: 1910 hrs

Public Comment: None

Guests in attendance: Warden John Sutterfield

New Business

Presentation by Zachary Palmer, BLM Fuels Specialist; BLM working on treatment plan for Hogback Ridge. Provided maps and project description. Wants to maintain a collaborative relationship with local agencies.

Security at Pump house and RCD Building ; Julie assigned to talk to Steve Reeder re: system needs. Question to be answered is what is the cost benefit of installation and maintenance of equipment vs loss from theft.

Old Business

Develop Hunting Program for McArthur Swamp; Update Sharmie/Julie: Warden Satterfield said property needs to be posted on the perimeter with 3 signs per mile and at all entrance gates. Board voted to authorize citing of trespassers as follows; first offense, warning, second offense citation. McArthur Mini Mart exclusive vender of permits.

Consent Calendar

Minutes September 18, 2019 Regular Meeting

Expenditures 9/18/19 to 10/16/19

Motion to approve consent calendar by Don Martin, second by Pat Oilar. Motion approved 4 to 0

Executive Directors report:

Burney Gardens; Enhanced Cultural and Stewardship Agreement Framework. Executive Director and RCD Board Chairman returned written comments on the proposed policy to Stewardship Council Staff.

Gun Club; LCCP out for Public Comment (Erin Healy, on schedule for approval Nov 13, 2019 SC Board Meeting if no objection by SC Board Members

Fall River Mills West end AG Unit. Sent to PUC for approval.

Island Ranch; Sharmie; no report

McArthur Swamp Management Plan progress and update. Paid for installment expect to see some product soon.

Range Managers Report:

Fencing Projects

Area 5 completed

Tule River waiting for water trough installation

Rat Farm Road waiting on agreement on maintenance policy with PG&E

Water trough pipeline construction

Trenching at \$1.50 per foot = \$18,000, 3' pipe and fittings = \$ 17,000, plus \$5,000 for unforeseen emergencies for a grand total of \$40,000. Motion by Pat Oilar to authorize selection of Robert Gallion to install the pipeline. Second by Don Martin. Motion approved 4 to 0.

New water troughs

Board desires to stay with 30' diameter troughs. Willing to pay the extra charge for short loads to get the 30 footers in the N fields. Estimate is \$50,000

Phone line WIFI for pump house;

Question Compaire or Frontier. Julie will contact Steve Reeder to determine system needs

Weed control Burn

Set up with Cal Fire and McArthur Fire to Burn approximately 20 acres in S-2 to rid the field of medusa head. Will divide field into 4 plots and no till drill with different seeds as an experiment to provide better forage.

Adjourn: 2052

At any time during the regular session, the Board may adjourn to a closed session to consider litigation, personnel matters, or to discuss with legal counsel matters within the attorney/client privilege and it may be held in a closed session. Authority: Government Code Section 1126(a)(d)(g)

Next Regular Meeting Date – Wednesday – November 20, 2019 --Beginning at 6:00PM