Minutes

Meeting of the

GOLD RIDGE RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT

PHONE: 707.874-2907 FAX: 707.874-9607 Thursday, June 18, 2009

Location: Gold Ridge Resource Conservation District

4008 Bohemian Highway, Ste. 3

Occidental, CA 95465

Time: 6:00pm to 7:50 pm

- I. Open Meeting (Introductions)
- II. Call to Order (Roll Call of Directors)
 - a) Directors Present: Barry Fisher, Martin Albini, Don Petersen, Joe Dutton, and Ann Cassidy
 - b) Directors Absent: none
 - c) Associate Directors Present: None
 - d) Staff Present: Lisa Hulette, Diana Hines, Brittany Heck, Joe Pozzi, and Noelle Johnson
- III. Public Comment- None

IV. Informational Items:

- a. Correspondence and Notices for directors review
- b. GRRCD Grant Status Updates Lisa Hulette

SCC contracts are back on line (Estero Americano Dairy, Dutch Bill Dam Removal, and Green Valley Planning), with most of the funds needing to be spent by December 31, 2009. Three grants have been closed out (Dutch Bill Coho Habitat, SCWA Russian River Program, and Salmon Creek Ranch Implementation), while DFG Fay Creek will finish soon. Others have been transferred to ARRA federal stimulus funding, including the Estero Americano Rangeland grant. We have received an additional \$70,000 for that grant to comply with the new stimulus requirements, including project signs, website postings, prevailing wage payment, and the posting of invoices and reports on the recovery.com website. The Salmon Creek IWMP is still frozen. Work through WCB Ebabias can begin, although payments may be held up. The contract for the SWRCB 319h grant should arrive by July 1. DFG will begin its technical review of current proposals in July and August. Construction at Harston will begin on June 22, with Albini beginning in July and Colby in September. Construction on the Dutch Bill Dam and Fish Passage will begin August 15. All outstanding payments from the SWRCB will be paid by the end of the fiscal year.

- c. Update on AARA (federal stimulus) proposals Lisa Hulette (see above)
- d. Discuss New Summer Staffing Arrangement Lisa Hulette. Staff are looking to hire a coordinator with 3-5 years experience, possibly for a short-term position (1 ½ years). The was approved by the board.
- e. Review of Contractor Bids for the Dutch Bill Fish Barrier Elimination Program Bid Packets (Dutch Bill Dam Removal and Restoration and Market St. Fish Passage Projects) PCI was approved as the contractor for both projects.

V. Action Items:

a. Approval of Minutes of May 21, 2009

1st Martin Albini 2nd Joe Dutton

b. Approval of Contractor for the Dutch Bill Dam Removal and Restoration Project

1st Barry Fisher 2nd Joe Dutton

c. Approval of Contractor for the Market St. Fish Passage Project

1st Barry Fisher 2nd Ann Cassidy

- d. Approval to Enter into Contract with the Sotoyome RCD for the Russian River Coho Water Resources
 Project funded by the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation (Russian River Keystone Initiative)

 1st Ann Cassidy 2nd Martin Albini
- e. Approval for the Executive Director to Sign Steering Committee Agreemetn for the Russian River Coho Water Resources project (Russian River Keystone Initiative)

1st Barry Fisher 2nd Joe Dutton

f. **Item of Urgency:** Approve Resolution No. 2009-4: Approving the Application of Grant funds from WCB for the *Insectaries for Pollinators and Farm Biodiversity Project*

1st Joe Dutton 2nd Ann Cassidy

g. **Item of Urgency**: Approve Preliminary budget for FY 2009/2010

1st/ Ann Cassidy 2nd/Joe Dutton

- h. Approval of NRCS Activity Report 1^{st} Joe Dutton 2^{nd} Barry Fisher
- i. Approval of Staff Activity Report
 1st Joe Dutton 2nd Ann Cassidy
- j. Approval of Bookkeepers Report 1st Ann Cassidy 2nd Martin Albini
- k. Approval of Warrant Requests
- 1st Joe Dutton 2nd Barry Fisher
- 1. Agenda items for July Meeting
- m. Personnel
- VI. Other -- reschedule July Board Meeting to Tuesday, July 14, 2009
- VII. Adjournment