



**Board Meeting Minutes**  
**November 18, 2021 3:30PM-5:30PM**

**MEETING LOCATION:** Gold Ridge RCD, 2776 Sullivan Road, Sebastopol, CA 95472. *Call for directions.*

The regularly scheduled board meeting will be held in person with an option for the public to join remotely.

**REMOTE ACCESS:** Members of the staff and public can participate remotely by using the following options:

**Zoom:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81326946028?pwd=VERncTBxaWdkaFpkTUZKL3RRROW81UT09>

**Phone:** [\(669\) 900-6833](tel:(669)900-6833). Meeting ID: [813 2694 6028](#). Passcode: [111](#).

**District Directors:** Joe Dutton, President; Richard Hughes, Vice President; Ann Cassidy, Secretary; Mel Sanchiatti, Director

**Associate Directors:** Guy Smith; Chris Choo

**1. Call to order, Determination of a Quorum, Introductions**

*Meeting was called to order at 3:35pm*

*Directors present: Ann Cassidy, Mel Sanchiatti, Richard Hughes, Joe Dutton*

*Directors absent: None*

*Associate directors present: Chris Choo, Guy Smith. Associate Directors absent: None.*

*Staff present: Joe Pozzi, Brittany Jensen, Michele Harris, Mare O'Connell, John Green, William Hart, Noelle Johnson, Jenna Kahn*

*Other attendees: Torrey Olson (former Director), Elias Zegarra, Lorri Duckworth, Temra Costa (members of the public transitioned to Associate Directors during the meeting), Jenna Merilees NRCS*

**2. Additions/Changes to the Agenda (Gov. Code 54954.2 (B))**

*No additions or changes were made to the agenda.*

**3. Public Comment:** Public may comment on agenda items when they are discussed. Speakers are asked to limit comments to three minutes (Gov. Code 54954.3(a)).

*No public comment was made.*

**4. Informational Items**

**A. Gold Ridge RCD Updates & Notices**

- i. Training for Board and staff by the Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria is booked for December 9 from 3:30-5:30 PM.**

ii. **CDFA Ebibias Creek Tour-** Friday, December 3, 2021, Friday December 10, 2021, Friday December 17, 2021 10am to 11am registration required

iii. **CDFA Earthseed Farm Tour Dec 4th 10-12:30**

B. **Natural Resources Conservation Service Update**

C. **Santa Rosa Plain Groundwater Sustainability Agency Update (#138)** (Brittany Jensen)

D. **Valley Ford Schoolhouse Update** (Brittany Jensen)

E. **Pollinator Project Overview** (Noelle Johnson)

F. **Board Tour** (Brittany Jensen)

G. **Honor Outgoing Board Member Torrey Olson**

## 5. Consent Calendar

A. **October 21, 2021 Meeting Minutes and October 2021 Grant Status Report** (Brittany Jensen)

*Motion to approve Item 5-A: 1st Cassidy, 2<sup>nd</sup> Hughes. Ayes: Sanchietti, Hughes, Cassidy, Dutton, Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Absent: None*

## 6. Action Items

A. **Approval of Financial Report and Warrant Request for FY 2021/22 through August 31, 2021** (Mare O'Connell)

*Motion to approve Item 6-A: 1st Sanchietti, 2<sup>nd</sup> Cassidy. Ayes: Cassidy, Sanchietti, Hughes. Dutton: Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Absent: None*

B. **Approval of Resolution 2021-12 of the Board of Directors of the Gold Ridge RCD proclaiming a local emergency persists, re-ratifying the proclamation of a state of emergency by Executive Order N-29-20, issued by Governor Newsom on March 17, 2020, and re-authorizing remote teleconference meetings of the legislative bodies of Gold Ridge RCD for the period of November 18 to Dember 17, 2021 pursuant to Brown Act provisions.** (Brittany Jensen)

*Motion to approve Item 6-B: 1st Cassidy Sanchietti 2<sup>nd</sup> Cassidy. Ayes: Cassidy, Sanchietti, Hughes. Dutton Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Absent: None*

C. **Approval of Executive Director to amend the contract with Brelje and Race Consulting Engineers for engineering tasks related to implementation of the Alliance Redwoods Water Conservation Project** (John Green)

*Motion to approve Item 6-C: 1st Sanchietti 2<sup>nd</sup> Cassidy. Ayes: Cassidy, Sanchietti, Hughes. Dutton Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Absent: None*

D. **Approval of Resolution 2021-13 authorizing the Executive Director to enter into an agreement with the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation for permit acquisition for the Iron Horse Vineyards Fish Screen Implementation Project for \$34,906.** (John Green)

*Motion to approve Item 6-D: 1st Cassidy, 2<sup>nd</sup> Hughes. Ayes: Sanchietti, Hughes, Cassidy, Dutton , Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Absent : None*

**E. Approval of Temra Costa, Lorri Duckworth and Elias Zeggara as Associate Directors of the RCD (Brittany Jensen)**

*Motion to approve Item 6-E: 1st Sanchietti 2<sup>nd</sup> Cassidy. Ayes: Cassidy, Sanchietti, Hughes. Dutton Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Absent: None*

**7. Future Agenda Items**

**8. Adjournment**

*Adjourned at 5:15 pm*