

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE & WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Kamaljit Bagri Agricultural Commissioner/ Sealer of Weights and Measures

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Stanislaus County Agricultural Advisory Board

MINUTES

October 04, 2021 8:00 a.m.

Board Members Present:

Jennifer Heguy Tom Orvis
Arby Hoobyar Ed Perry
Brandi LoForti Stan Sinclear
Jim Mortensen Wayne Zipser

Board Members Absent:

Carlos Estacio
Gordon Heinrich

Ex-Officio Board Members:

Robert Kostlivy, Environmental Resources – Present Kamaljit Bagri, Agricultural Commissioner – Present

Supervisor Channce Condit – Absent Diana Waller, USDA – Absent

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 8:01 a.m.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

III. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

There was no public comment.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE JUNE 7, 2021, MEETING

The minutes of the June 7, 2021, meeting were presented by the Chairman. The members were asked to consider the minutes for approval, and action was taken as follows:

Motion: Jim Mortensen Second: Stan Sinclear Vote: Unanimous

V. AG PASS PROGRAM

Agricultural Commissioner Kamal Bagri provided information regarding the recently passed AB-1103. This bill authorizes, upon the approval of a county board of supervisors, a county agricultural commissioner, or other designated agency, to establish within the county a livestock pass program for the purpose of issuing identification documents granting any qualifying livestock producer, or a managerial employee of the qualifying livestock producer, access to the qualifying livestock producer's ranch property during or following a flood, storm, fire, earthquake, or other disaster, as provided. Commissioner Bagri stated she is meeting with County staff and other county agricultural commissioners to discuss a possible program for Stanislaus County.

A copy of the presentation materials for this item can be found on the County's website at http://www.stanag.org/ag-advisory-board.shtm

VI. UPCOMING REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS

Agricultural Commissioner Bagri shared that the Department of Pesticide Regulation (DPR) has been working on a state-wide effort to come up with new notification regulations regarding the application of restricted materials. She's in the process of gathering information and seeking input from County staff and the agricultural industry on this subject to consider the possibility of Stanislaus County participating in a pilot program with DPR and other county agricultural commissioners.

VII. ROUNDTABLE

Members provided general comments, program updates, and upcoming events and activities in their respective organizations.

VIII. NEXT MEETING

A. Meeting Date/Time:

The next meeting is scheduled for November 1, 2021, at 8:00 a.m.

B. Agenda Items:

Discussion to considering changing the meeting start time.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Orvis adjourned the meeting at 9:22 a.m.

Minutes Respectfully Submitted,

Susan Azevedo Ag Commissioner's Office Stanislaus County