

# AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE AND SEALER OF WEIGHTS & MEASURES

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# **Agricultural Advisory Board**

## **MINUTES**

November 4, 2013 Stanislaus County Agricultural Center Conference Room H/I 8:00 a.m.

#### **Board Members Present:**

Sherman Boone Tom Orvis
Tracy Miller Ed Perry
Jim Mortensen Wayne Zipser

#### **Board Members Absent:**

Roger Duncan Arby Hoobyar
Carlos Estacio III Pamela Sweeten

John Herlihy

#### **Ex-Officio Board Members:**

Supervisor Jim DeMartini - Present Janice Curtin - County CEO - Present Milton O'Haire, Ag Commissioner - Present Lisa Alamo, USDA-NRCS - Present Jami Aggers, DER & Parks - Present

## I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

## II. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

It was announced that Pamela Sweeten has been appointed to the Agricultural Advisory Board as the Representative of California Women in Agriculture.

## III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE SEPTEMBER 9, 2013 MEETING

It was noted that the draft minutes for the September 9, 2013 meeting had a date error on item III. The item should read APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE JULY 1, 2013 MEETING. The correction was noted and with this change, it was M/S/P (unanimous), to approve the September 9, 2013 minutes.

## IV. GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN PRESENTATION

Bob Martin of the San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority (SLDWMWA) provided a PowerPoint presentation of the activities of the SLDMWA relating to groundwater management.

#### V. GROUNDWATER ORDINANCE UPDATE

Agricultural Commissioner Milton O'Haire stated that the Board of Supervisors passed the ordinance during their October 29<sup>th</sup> meeting. O'Haire offered thanks to all that participated in the development of the ordinance. The Board of Supervisors also

gave approval to add a Manager IV position to oversee the planning and implementation of the ordinance and directed staff to initiate the formation of a Water Advisory Committee.

## VI. SPRAY SAFE

Agricultural Commissioner O'Haire announced there will be a Spray Safe Program Workshop held at the Ag Center on November 7<sup>th</sup> from 7:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. offering 3.50 hours of continuing education in Laws & Regulations. Over 225 RSVPs to the event have been received so far.

## VIII. ROUNDTABLE

Attendees provided general updates of activities of their respective organizations.

## IX. NEXT MEETING

## A. Meeting Date/Time:

A motion to change the time and location of the next meeting was made and passed unanimously. The next meeting is scheduled for **Monday**, **December 2**, **2013**, **at 11:00 a.m.** at the Stanislaus County Farm Bureau located at 1201 L Street, Modesto.

## B. Agenda Items

✓ None

Please contact Milton O'Haire or Susan Azevedo with items you wish placed on the agenda.

## X. ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Orvis adjourned the meeting.

Minutes Respectfully Submitted.

Susan Azevedo Ag Commissioner's Office Stanislaus County