



**Madera/Chowchilla
Resource Conservation District
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Monthly Board Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, December 17, 2025 – 5:00-6:00PM

I. Call to Order: 5:09PM by Norman Kuhr

A. Director Roll Call

Attendance was in person at the Vineyard located at 605 S I St, Madera, CA. Directors: Norman Kuhr, Matt Angell, Tim Coehlo, Mike DeLaGuerra; Staff: Amy Siliznoff, Kevin Reyes

II. Additions/Changes to the Agenda

Vacation Policy, Medical Coverage, and RCD Covering Dinner Agenda Items

III. Approval of Minutes

A. **Approval of November Meeting Minutes** – Motion was made by Mike DeLaGuerra to approve the Meeting Minutes. There was a second by Tim Coehlo. Motion passed unanimously by all present directors.

IV. Correspondence & Mail – CSDA Magazines, Kevin and Amy Business Credit Card Statements, PNP magazine, Financial Transaction Report Letter, County Check, EMRCD Check

V. Public Comments – No public comments

VI. Reports

A. Madera County SGMA Update/GSAs – Amy Siliznoff
o No update

B. NRCS Report – Amy Siliznoff
o No update

RCD Report: Board Action Items and Discussion Topics

C. DOC MLRP (I)(A) – Amy Siliznoff & Kevin Reyes

o Amy is continuing to attend monthly meetings. Kevin has been focused on preparing the updated monitoring documents and, when possible, attending online meetings related to this work. We are also anticipating Proposition 4 funding, and additional details on its distribution will be shared soon.

D. WCB Pollinator Block Grant (I) – Kevin Reyes

o Kevin scheduled a site visit to re-visit Hillside Elementary to follow up on the garden project. He spoke with Jon and they are going to start planning a school project at Sherman Thomas Elementary. They just planted another pollinator project in December right before the rain event. The La Vina Project will distribute native seeds depending on climate. We have another being planned for implementation in 2026. He is working on getting these projects uploaded to RCD project tracker.

- In progress:
 - Matt Angell Pollinator project Dec-18th 8:00AM
 - 1 pollinator plan is in progress Native Seed mix La Vina December
- E. NRCS Cooperative (I) – Amy Siliznoff & Kevin Reyes
 - Amy followed up on Invoice 1 and sent Invoice 2.
 - The grant just started back up and Kevin is slowly getting documentation submitted.
- F. SBIR II (I)
 - Kevin completed a DU test in an almond orchard. Moving forward they will start using the neutron prob, gravimetric sampling and more. Collin is focusing on fixing some of the equipment first before getting the neutron probe out to the fields. More work will be completed next spring
- G. NoRegrets (I) – Amy Siliznoff
 - The RCD will be hosting an Irrigation & Nutrient Management Workshop January 20th at the Madera County Farm Bureau.
- H. Vacation Policy (I) – Amy Siliznoff
 - The RCD will be updating its vacation policy starting January 1, 2026. Amy will confirm other RCDs current vacation policies with the Board, and will get this approved from the Board for implementation on January 1.
- I. Medical Coverage (I) – Amy Siliznoff
 - Amy is working on getting estimates for medical coverage. She will report back estimates and get approval at the next meeting.
- J. RCD Covering December Dinner (I) (A) – Amy Siliznoff
 - Amy received approval from the Board for the RCD to use indirect funds to cover the December meeting dinner. Motion was made to approve the RCD covering dinner by Matt Angell. A second motion was made by Tim Coehlo. Motion passed unanimously by all present directors.
- K. Workshops (I) – Amy Siliznoff
 - The Pistachio Almond Conference is February 24-26
 - Almond Board Conference is December 10-12. The RCD has a booth at this conference.
- A. Upcoming Contracts/Agreements (I) (A) – Amy Siliznoff
 - None
- B. Upcoming Grant Applications (I) – Amy Siliznoff
 - None

VII. Financial Report

- Matt Angell made a motion to approve the December Financial and Expense Reports. There was a second by Mike DeLaGuerra. Motion passed unanimously by all present directors.

VIII. Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 6:15PM.

Next Meeting: January 28, 2026 5:00PM at the NRCS Office at 425 N Gateway Dr, Madera, CA.