



BOARD MINUTES

Nevada County Resource Conservation District
Board of Directors - Special Meeting
113 Presley Way, Suite 1, Grass Valley, CA 95945
Tuesday June 9th, 2026, at 4:00 pm

1. **Call to Order and Roll Call:** at 4pm Jim Drew, President, Alana Fowler, Vice-President, Katie Alling, Robert Ingram, Linda Miller Staff present: Briana Bacon, Amanda Rodgers, Valerie Bullard
2. **Introductions:** None
3. **Approval of Agenda:**
Alana moved to approve Katie seconded. Motion carried 4/0
4. **Approval of Consent items:**
 - A. Minutes from Tuesday, May 19th, 2026 Regular Board Meeting
Katie moved to approve. Alana seconded. Motion carried 4/0.
5. **Public Comment:** None
6. **Correspondence:** Amanda Rodgers distributed the thank you cards from the scholarship recipients. She also shared the proposal from Robert W. Johnson for the upcoming audit.
7. **NRCS Report:** Valerie Bullard reported that they have been working on obligations of selected contracts. Four more forestry contracts have been added. Equip selection: 16 one of which is grazing lands and one is regenerative pilot program. There are 14 forest land and 6 CSP. They are busy getting things finalized and the funds obligated. They are hoping to turn over quite a few by the end of June. The final date to have these contracts fully obligated is mid-August.
8. **NCRCD Board Reports:** Alana Fowler has been working on her hedge row. Katie Alling went up to Hayfork and saw their large sawmill. She then got to work on modernizing and redesigning the Forestry Contest and made it overlap the National contest so that they are similar. Robert Ingram commented in Working Lands III, we should have put more emphasis that the way we logged the forests back in the 1800s with no future in mind has caused lasting damage. Jim Drew spent the morning in Colusa judging their Ag Mechanics show at their fair. Our programs are to be commended for what the kids up here are putting out. Jim said that they are looking for some good timber donations for the Ranch. Andrew Jackson at NU has 4 sheds completed. Katie says that they may be auctioning off the sheds during the fair.
9. **DISTRICT RANCH Report:** Briana said that they have started work on the pond. Hansen Brothers is working with Charlie and all the equipment has been moved on site. Ellen has been hired for the next year. RCD sent them a letter of support for their larger mill. They have planted pumpkins. They started irrigation on the grazing land, they are working on training the maintenance person. Rick will be taking on more responsibilities and working with Jason more closely. All livestock units have been moved into one place. Jim rototilled a little garden in Mr. Phelan's old garden space. Ellen has planted things in the garden and they are growing. Planters in the front have been redone.
10. **NCRCD Director and Staff Report:** Amanda Rodgers reported Truckee Farm Day was a great success. We served 250 students at 11 booths at Truckee High School. Moving forward she would like to bring the 2nd and 3rd grade students down for our Grass Valley Farm Day. The FFA kids were incredible in helping on the field. The playing

cards showed up and she distributed them to the Board. The cards were put in the teacher bags in Truckee and they will be the big handout at the Fair this year. Linda Miller reported that she thinks it went very well and the program was very well received. The other addition we may add would be a tent with hydration and story time. Linda reported that Kat Soltanmorad from the Truckee School District expressed interest in being on the RCD Board. The update on Working Lands III – the film is complete and uploaded on our YouTube page. The premiere is June 30th at 5pm at the Don Baggett Theatre. There was discussion as to whether we would make physical DVD's of the film and it was agreed to save the expense and just offer it on YouTube (where WLI and WLII reside) for free. Briana reviewed the new budget. Briana has been invited to help prepare the Supervisors priority in September and the Sustainability Summit at Martis Camp that we went to last year has asked Briana to speak about agriculture at that event this year.

11. New Business:

A. New Contracts Review –

1. Burnbot contract: We're facilitating this sub-contract with the Grass Valley City Council, and we start work next week.

B. Micro-Grant Review – None

C. Scholarship Request Review - None

D. Staff Requests – None

E. Other Review

i. Discussion about the budget. General discussion overall. It was agreed to add funds back into the budget for Range Camp.

Alana moved to approve the new budget. Linda seconded. Motion carried 4/0

ii. Executive Director Review – CLOSED SESSION

12. Old Business:

A. None

13. Announcements:

A. Next Regular Board meeting – *Tuesday, July 14th, 2026 at 4PM*

Respectfully submitted by Amanda Rodgers July 9th, 2026.



Approved by Board of Directors on 7/14/26



Jim Drew, Chair