



**BOARD MINUTES**

Nevada County Resource Conservation District  
Board of Directors - Regular Meeting  
113 Presley Way, Suite 1, Grass Valley, CA 95945  
Tuesday July 8, 2025, at 4:00 pm

1. **Call to order and Roll Call:** at 4:03 PM by Jim Drew, President. Alana Fowler, Vice-President. Directors present: Jim Drew, Reed Hamilton. Staff present: Briana Bacon and Amanda Rodgers
2. **Introductions:** None
3. **Approval of Agenda or Correction of Agenda:** *Reed Hamilton moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Second by Alana Fowler, Approved 3-0.*
4. **Approval of Consent Agenda:**
  - A. Minutes from July 8th, 2025, Regular Board meeting
  - B. Financial Statement for June 2025.  
*Alana Fowler moved to approve the minutes and financial statements, seconded by Reed Hamilton Approved 3-0.*
5. **Public Comment (Speakers are limited to 3 minutes):** No Public Comments
6. **Correspondence:** Correspondence on table.
7. **NRCS Board Reports:** Valerie was not present
8. **NCRCD Board Report:** Alana Fowler is working on a hedge row, but other than that "same old". Reed Hamilton reported that he's rebuilding deck stairs. Reed is going to Vermont later in the month for family reunion. Jim Drew reported that when he was walking through Empire Mine and noticed the immense fire hazard on the North side of the trail. Also at Lucchesi Vineyards. Jim is heading to Oklahoma for a visit.
9. **NCRCD Director and Staff Report:** Review of preliminary budget. CalFire is giving us \$200,000 for demonstration forest, reforestation, and full CAL VTP. We are helping plant 7,000 seedlings. Briana Bacon is almost done with the Carbon Farm Planting Class and currently working on developing experimental plot plans.

**10. Ranch School Report**

Jim Drew reports that the Ranch School is having an issue with wildlife. Deer jumping fences to get to where they shouldn't be. Kids are working with the saw mill making boards for the sheds at NU and Bear River. The beef group was there and the Vet was checking on the cows. Lots of construction going on at the Ranch. Beef girls are irrigating. NID won't give more water because there is no place to put it.

**11. New Business:**

RCD received a long-term contract from OES.

Look into developing and implementing policy where RCD would pay for higher education for employees as a way to increase employee retention. Will draft a policy to be reviewed by the Board.

Discussion about opening a new credit card through Chase bank. Board recommended that we move forward.

**12. Old Business:**

School Micro-Grant Program – we have a few schools that have applied for this grant and they have been told that we will take a look at the new grant application in our new fiscal year.

Board meeting adjourned at 5:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Amanda Rodgers August 27, 2025.



Approved by Board of Directors on 9/9/2025

  
Jim Drew, Chair