

**Rural County Representatives of California
Board of Directors Meeting
July 24, 2024 – 8:00 a.m.
1215 K Street, Suite 1650
Sacramento, CA 95814**

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AGENDA

Breakfast Session

Maria Gallegos Herrera

State Director for California, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Rural Development

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9.00 a.m.

1. Call to Order, Determination of Quorum and Self Introductions

Chair, Supervisor Chris Lopez, Monterey County

First Vice Chair, Supervisor Geri Byrne, Modoc County

Second Vice Chair, Supervisor Miles Menetrey, Mariposa County

Immediate Past Chair, Supervisor Doug Teeter, Butte County

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Public Comment

At this time any member of the public may address the Board. Speakers are asked to state their name for the record but are not required to do so. Comments are usually limited to no more than 3 minutes per speaker

4. Consent Agenda – ACTION

- a. [May 17, 2024 Board of Directors Meeting Minutes](#) Page 3
- b. **RCRC Resolution 24-03: Establishing Workers' Compensation Insurance Coverage for RCRC Volunteers** Page 7
Arthur J. Wylene, General Counsel
 - [MEMO](#)
 - [RCRC Resolution 24-03](#)
- c. **RCRC Proposed 2024 Meeting Calendar** Page 11
Maggie Chui, Director of Board Operations
 - [MEMO](#)
 - [RCRC Proposed 2025 Meeting Calendar](#)
- d. **Ad Hoc Committee Updates: Roadway Infrastructure Ad Hoc Committee and Williamson Act Ad Hoc Committee** Page 15
Sidd Nag, Policy Advocate
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- e. **Environmental Services Joint Powers Authority Update** Page 17
Staci Heaton, Senior Policy Advocate
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- f. **Forest Management and Wildfire Update** Page 21
Staci Heaton
 - [MEMO](#)
 - [Catastrophe Modeling and Ratemaking—Proposed Rulemaking, Joint Letter Dated June 25, 2024](#)
- g. **2024 Annual Meeting Overview Reminder** Page 29
Dorothy Poole, Government Affairs Operations Manager
 - [MEMO](#)

Guest Speaker

Martha Guzman
Regional Administrator, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

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5. RCRC Chair's Report

Chair, Supervisor Chris Lopez, Monterey County

6. President's Report

Patrick Blacklock, President and CEO

- a. **Staff Introduction**
- b. **Rural Advancement Institute: Educational Tour Input**

7. Member County Concerns and Issues

8. Business and Administrative Matters *(Discussion and possible action relative to)*

a. President/CEO Annual Compensation – ACTION

*Chair, Supervisor Chris Lopez, Monterey County
RCRC Executive Committee*

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- MEMO
 - RCRC CEO Performance Evaluation Process
 - 2022 RCRC President/CEO Annual Compensation Board Memo

b. Rural County Photo Contest – ACTION

Carolyn Jhajj, Communications Director

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- MEMO
 - Rural County Photo Contest Official Rules

c. RCRC Strategic Plan Development

Carolyn Jhajj

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- MEMO
 - 2025-2027 RCRC Strategic Plan: Draft Themes

9. Governmental Affairs *(Discussion and possible action relative to)*

a. Legislative Matters *(Discussion and possible action relative to)*

*First Deputy Chair, Supervisor John Peschong, San Luis Obispo County
Second Deputy Chair, Lee Adams, Sierra County*

i. State and Federal Legislative Update

Mary-Ann Warmerdam, Senior Vice President Governmental Affairs

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- MEMO
 - State Legislative Update

ii. November 2024 Statewide Ballot Propositions Overview

Mary-Ann Warmerdam

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- MEMO

iii. Proposition 4: Safe Drinking Water, Wildfire Prevention, Drought Preparedness, and Clean Air Bond Act of 2024 - ACTION

Sidd Nag

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- MEMO
 - Copy of Senate Bill 867 (Allen)
 - RCRC Summary of the Senate Bill 867 (Allen)

iv. Proposition 5: Local Government Financing - Affordable Housing and Public Infrastructure - ACTION

Tracy Rhine, Senior Policy Advocate

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- MEMO
 - Copy of Proposition 5
 - RCRC letter of Support on ACA 1 (Aguiar-Curry)

v. Proposition 35: Protect Access to Healthcare of 2024 Initiative - ACTION

Sarah Dukett, Policy Advocate

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- MEMO
 - Protect Access to Healthcare Act of 2024

vi. Proposition 36: The Homelessness, Drug Addiction, and Theft Reduction Act - ACTION **Page 183**

Sarah Dukett

- [MEMO](#)
 - [RCRC Policy Principles: Public Safety and Emergency Management](#)
 - [Copy of Proposition 36](#)

vii. Other Legislative Issues

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b. Water and Natural Resources Matters *(Discussion and possible action relative to)*
First Deputy Chair, Supervisor Dennis Townsend, Tulare County
Second Deputy Chair, Supervisor Glenn McGourty, Mendocino County

i. Water Issues Update

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ii. Other Water and Natural Resources Issues

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c. Regulatory Matters *(Discussion and possible action relative to)*

First Deputy Chair, Supervisor EJ Crandell, Lake County

Second Deputy Chair, Supervisor Kathleen Haff, Tuolumne County

i. California Public Utilities Commission Update

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John Kennedy, Senior Policy Advocate

Tracy Rhine, Senior Policy Advocate

Leigh Kammerich, Policy Advocate

- [MEMO](#)
 - [RCRC Open CPUC Proceedings List](#)
 - [RCRC Comments on 2025 Wildfire Mitigation Plan Updates \(May 7, 2024\)](#)
 - [RCRC Comments on General Order 131 \(July 1, 2024\)](#)
 - [RCRC Comments on Safety, Reliability and Resiliency \(July 8, 2024\)](#)
 - [County Template Letter for Safety, Reliability and Resiliency Proceeding](#)
 - [RCRC Comments, High DER Staff Proposal \(June 18, 2024\)](#)
 - [RCRC Comments, Proposed Decision on AT&T COLR Application \(May 30, 2024\)](#)
 - [RCRC Motion for Party Status, COLR Proceeding \(July 9, 2024\)](#)
 - [List of CPUC Regulated Water Utilities in RCRC Counties](#)

ii. Other Regulatory Issues

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10. Announcements

- a. August 8, 2024 - CSAC Executive Committee, Sacramento**
- b. August 14, 2024 - GSNR Board Meeting, Sacramento/Zoom**
- c. August 15, 2024 - ESJPA Board Meeting, Sacramento**
- d. August 29, 2024 - CSAC Board Meeting, Sacramento**
- e. September 18-20, 2024 - RCRC Annual Meeting, Sonoma County**
- f. September 20, 2024 - RCRC, GSFA & GSCA Board Meetings, Sonoma County**

11. Adjournment

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