

**Rural County Representatives of California  
Executive Committee Meeting  
Wednesday, April 26, 2023 – 10:00 a.m.  
1215 K Street, Suite 1650  
Sacramento, CA 95814**

Executive Committee Members:

Supervisor Doug Teeter, Butte County	Supervisor Rex Bohn, Humboldt County
Supervisor Chris Lopez, Monterey County	Supervisor Aaron Albaugh, Lassen County
Supervisor Geri Byrne, Modoc County	Supervisor EJ Crandell, Lake County
Supervisor Matt Kingsley, Inyo County	Supervisor Miles Menetrey, Mariposa County
Supervisor Daron McDaniel, Merced County ( <i>Ex-Officio</i> )	Supervisor Bob Nelson, Santa Barbara County

**MINUTES**

**Call to Order and Determination of Quorum**

RCRC Chair, Supervisor Doug Teeter, Butte County, presided. Present were President and CEO Patrick Blacklock, General Counsel Arthur J. Wylene, and Director of Board Operations Maggie Chui, clerk. RCRC Chair Teeter called the meeting to order at 10:55 a.m. A quorum was determined at that time. Those members present:

<u>Supervisor</u>	<u>County</u>
Doug Teeter	Butte
Chris Lopez	Monterey
Geri Byrne	Modoc
Matt Kingsley*	Inyo
Rex Bohn	Humboldt
Aaron Albaugh*	Lassen
EJ Crandell	Lake
Miles Menetrey	Mariposa
Bob Nelson*	Santa Barbara

**Absent**

Daron McDaniel	Merced (Ex-Officio)
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\*Attendance via Zoom

**Public Comment**

None

**Consent Agenda**

**a. February 22, 2023 Executive Committee Meeting Minutes**

RCRC Chair, Supervisor Doug Teeter, Butte County, called for approval of the above-listed consent agenda.

**Supervisor Rex Bohn, Humboldt County, motioned to approve the consent agenda. Supervisor Chris Lopez, Monterey County, seconded the motion. Motion passed with all Supervisors present voting “Aye,” except:**

**Abstaining: Santa Barbara County**

**Discussion and Possible Direction Regarding Region Reassignments to Equalize the Number of Counties Among the Regions**

Maggie Chui, Director of Board Operations, and Arthur J. Wylene, General Counsel, presented the potential region reassignment of El Dorado County from Region 4 to Region 2 and Imperial County from Region 5 to 4; or, El Dorado County from Region 4 to Region 2 and Madera County from Region 5 to Region 4 to maintain balance among the regions.

Following discussion, the RCRC Executive Committee directed staff to consult with RCRC Board Members from El Dorado, Imperial, and Madera Counties regarding the two reassignment options, and indicated that if the Board Members unanimously supported one option, that recommendation could be placed on the consent agenda at a subsequent meeting of the RCRC Board of Directors.

**Approval of Audited Financial Statements – December 31, 2022**

Milena De Melo, Finance Director, presented the RCRC 2022 audited financial statements. Ms. De Melo reviewed the financial statements, the performance for the year, the net position, and performance compared to the budget.

**Recommendation**

It was recommended that the RCRC Executive Committee, acting in their capacity as the Audit Committee, review and approve the 2022 audited financial statements and communication letter as presented, for presentation to and adoption by the RCRC Board of Directors.

**Supervisor Chris Lopez, Monterey County, motioned to approve the 2022 audited financial statements and communications letter as presented. Supervisor Geri Byrne, Modoc County, seconded the motion. Motion passed with all Supervisors present voting “Aye.”**

**Condensed Balance Sheet (March 31, 2023)**

Milena De Melo, Finance Director, presented the RCRC Condensed Balance Sheet as of March 31, 2023, as compared to 2022 and 2021.

**Investment Report (March 31, 2023)**

Milena De Melo presented the RCRC Investment Report which provided a summary of investment transactions from December 31, 2022, to March 31, 2023.

**Budget v. Actual Report (March 31, 2023)**

Milena De Melo presented the RCRC Statement of Revenues and Expenses which provided a summary of budget to actual comparison for period ended March 31, 2023.

### **State and Federal Legislative Update**

Mary-Ann Warmerdam, Senior Vice President Governmental Affairs, provided an update on issues being addressed at the state and federal level. Topics covered include a status update on RCRC's sponsored bills, current State Budget developments, and RCRC's upcoming testimony at the Little Hoover Commission regarding the impacts of the California Environmental Quality Act.

Sarah Dukett, Policy Advocate, provided an update on key bills relating to open meetings, cannabis enforcement, and behavioral health. John Kennedy, Policy Advocate, provided an update on RCRC's sponsored bills relating to solid and organic waste.

Eric Will, Policy and Local Assistance Manager, presented on efforts to support funding opportunities and programs for Member Counties.

### **RCRC Closed Session: Existing Litigation**

Conference with Legal Counsel regarding litigation that has been formally initiated, pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9 subdivision (d)(1). The name of the case is *Rural County Representatives of California v. California State Board of Forestry and Fire Protection, et al.*, Fresno County Superior Court Case No. 22CECG00123.

The RCRC Executive Committee convened a closed session at 2:05 p.m. per Sections 54956.9 (d)(1) and 54957 of the Government Code.

The RCRC Executive Committee reconvened into open session at 2:13 p.m.

### **Report any Actions Taken Under Item 7 Pursuant to Section 54957.1 of the Government Code**

RCRC Chair, Supervisor Doug Teeter, Butte County, deferred to Arthur J. Wylene, General Counsel, to report that no action was taken.

### **Adjournment**

RCRC Chair, Supervisor Doug Teeter, Butte County, adjourned the meeting of the RCRC Executive Committee at 2:15 p.m.