

**CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FOOD AND AGRICULTURE (CDFA)  
ANIMAL HEALTH AND FOOD SAFETY SERVICES (AHFSS)  
MEAT, POULTRY AND EGG SAFETY BRANCH (MPES)  
SHELL EGG ADVISORY COMMITTEE (SEAC)  
COUNTY CONTRACTS SUBCOMMITTEE  
MEETING MINUTES  
SEPTEMBER 14, 2022**

California Department of Food and Agriculture  
1220 N Street  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Item  
No.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mr. Mike Sencer, Chair, called the SEAC meeting to order at 9:15 a.m. and a quorum was established.

**(1) ROLL CALL**

Roll call was taken by Mr. Michael Abbott, Egg Quality Manager, Egg Safety and Quality Management (ESQM).

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Mike Sencer, Chair  
David Will, Chino Valley  
Dr. Richard Breitmeyer  
Debbie Murdock (Non-Voting)  
Cathy Roache, CACASA Representative (Non-Voting)

**CDFA:**

Michael Abbott  
Penny Arana  
Logan Bartley

**INTERESTED PARTIES:**

Justin Riggs, Del Norte Agriculture Commissioner

**(2) COUNTY CONTRACTS DISCUSSION**

County Representatives Ms. Cathy Roache from Alameda and Mr. Justin Riggs from Del Norte explained the reasons why it was difficult to maintain sufficient inspection numbers. They explained that because of staffing shortages, travel times and agreement expectations and reimbursement rate caps, it was sometimes difficult to meet the requirements of the county contracts.

CDFA will continue to reach out and work with the counties by continuing to conduct county inspector training, streamline the inspection process and help create and maintain reliable inspection coverage where needed.

Additionally, CDFA will continue working with the counties that have gaps in coverage and ensure that the counties know that the program will work with them on any issues they are having on their agreements. Further, the SEAC Board can also make recommendations, if needed.

The subcommittee recognized that CDFA has addressed all the issues and concerns that were brought to these meetings. The subcommittee felt that future meetings regarding these topics with this group, are not needed.

(3) **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

No public comments were made

(4) **ADJOURN**

**Motion #1:** Mr. David Will motioned for the meeting to be adjourned. Dr. Richard Breitmeyer seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously without any abstentions.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:52 a.m.

Respectfully submitted:

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Logan Bartley