

MEETING OF THE CALIFORNIA STATE BOARD OF FOOD AND AGRICULTURE
(ALL MEETINGS OPEN TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC)

Location: California Department of Food and Agriculture
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MEETING MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 1, 2022

Item
No.

(1) CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order on Tuesday, November 1, 2022, at approximately 10:05 a.m., President Don Cameron presiding.

(2) ROLL CALL

Roll call taken by Joshua Eddy, Executive Director.

Present:

Don Cameron
Bryce Lundberg
Mike Gallo
Patricia Stock

David Mancera
Glenda Humiston
Julia Jackson

Jenet DeCosta
Michelle Passero*
Chris Valadez *

Absent:

Rachelle Arizmendi
Doria Robinson

Eric Holst
Joy Sterling

Frank Salazar

**Attended virtually*

(3) APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Board member Glenda Humiston moved to approve the minutes of the September 7, 2022, and October 4, 2022, minutes. Board member Bryce Lundberg seconded the motion and a vote of (9-0) carried the motion. Board member Jenet DeCosta was not present for the vote.

(4) DEPARTMENTAL UPDATE

Undersecretary Christine Birdsong provided a brief update to the Board. The report included an update on CDFA's Racial Equity Action Plan; ongoing participation in the Sustainable Pest Management Workgroup with the Department of Pesticide Regulation; and continuing work in developing California Farm Bill priorities.

The update concluded without formal action by the Board.

Following the presentation, the Board heard public comment from the following individual:

- Hannah Tikalsky, CA Association of Resource Conservation Districts (written comment)

No further public comments were provided.

(5) PRESENTATION TO THE BOARD: Economic Impact Study – Drought (Updates)

The Board heard a presentation from representative of the University of California, Merced on the economic impacts of drought to California agriculture.

Speakers included:

- Josue Medellin-Azura, UC Merced
- Joshua Viers, UC Merced

The presentation concluded without formal action by the Board.

Following the presentation, the Board heard public comment from the following individual:

- Keshav Boddula, Member of the Public (written comment)

No further public comments were provided.

**(6) PRESENTATION TO THE BOARD:
Local Updates on SGMA Implementation**

The Board heard a presentation from a representative of the California Department of Water Resources concerning Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) Implementation.

Speaker:

- Paul Gosselin, California Department of Water Resources

The presentation concluded without formal action by the Board.

(7) PRESENTATION TO THE BOARD: Groundwater

The Board heard a presentation from a representative of Stanford Doerr School of Sustainability on work to model groundwater recharge opportunities.

Speaker:

- Rosemary Knight, Stanford Doerr School of Sustainability

The presentation concluded without formal action by the Board.

Following the presentation, the Board heard public comment from the following individuals:

- Patty Poire, Kern County Groundwater Authority

No further public comments were received on this agenda item.

(8) BREAK

(9) BOARD DISCUSSION

The Board discussed the following issue items as presented by the staff:

- Ag Vision
- Agricultural Summit
- Regenerative Agriculture
- 2023 Meeting Dates/Topics

The Board took the following action, following discussion.

MOTION: Board member Glenda Humiston moved to the approve the ‘Ag Vision’ document as presented by Staff. Board member Patricia Stock seconded the motion, and a unanimous vote carried the motion.

- (9) BOARD DISCUSSION (Continued)**
No further Board action was taken.

- (10) PUBLIC COMMENT**
No public comments were received.

- (11) CLOSING COMMENTS AND ADJOURNMENT**
The meeting concluded at approximately 1:40p.m.