

California Department of Food and Agriculture
Integrated Pest Control Branch
CALIFORNIA STATE APIARY BOARD MEETING
California Department of Food and Agriculture
1220 N St., Sacramento, CA 95814
In Person/Hybrid Meeting
December 13, 2022

**Members Present/
via Zoom**

Larry Lima, Chair
Brent Ashurst
Valerie Severson
Trevor Tauzer

Members Absent
Brad Pankratz

CDFA Department Personnel

Mark McLoughlin, Director, Plant Health and Pest Prevention Services Division
Andrew Cline, Associate Director, Plant Health and Pest Prevention Services Division
Robert James, Environmental Program Manager, Integrated Pest Control Branch
Jennifer Gordon, Staff Services Analyst, Integrated Pest Control Branch
Jennifer Berger, Senior Environmental Scientist, Apiary Protection Program
Raj Randhawa, Senior Environmental Scientist (Sup), Integrated Pest Control Branch
Dylan Lomanto, Staff Services Manager, Legislative Office

Presenters and Members of the Industry and Public

Rick Gurrola, Shasta Co. Agricultural Commissioner, CACASA Apiary Subcommittee
Jimmy Hook, Kings County Agricultural Commissioner, President CACASA
Chris de Nijs, Nevada County Agricultural Commissioner
Ha Dang, San Diego County Agricultural Commissioner
Carl Yingst, Shasta County Assistant Agricultural Commissioner
Lindsey Carter, California Agricultural Commissioners and Sealers Association
Tim Pelican, CACASA Apiary Subcommittee (Retired)
Buzz Landon, President, California State Beekeepers Association
David Stoffel, CACASA
Brooke Palmer, California State Beekeepers Association, Associate Director
Holly Fraumeni de Jesus, Lighthouse Public Affairs, Calif. State Beekeepers Assn.

INTRODUCTIONS

The meeting was convened at 9:07 a.m. by Chairman Larry Lima and introductions were made. The California State Apiary Board acknowledged at the meeting was held in compliance with the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act, pursuant to Government Code Sections 11120-11132.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Lima asked for public comment. Ms. Brooke Palmer, California State Beekeepers Association (CSBA), welcomed Ms. Jennifer Berger as the new State Apiarist and thanked her for help getting Apiary Board in active status.

MINUTES FOR January 14, 2022 MEETING

Mr. Lima asked for board approval of the minutes from January 14, 2022.

Motions: 1. Ms. Valarie Severson moved that the minutes be accepted; the motion was seconded by Mr. Trevor Tauzer. The motion was unanimously passed by all board members in attendance.

<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Abstention</u>
Larry Lima, Chair		
Brent Ashurst	N/A	N/A
Valerie Severson		
Trevor Tauzer		

APIARY REGISTRATION FEE SCHEDULE

Proposed registration fees. No recommendations were made.

QUICK UPDATES

Website

The Apiary Board website is shown as “under construction” while being updated.

Board Member Expiration Dates, Openings

CDFA provided board member expiration dates:

Brent Ashurst – March 1, 2023; Larry Lima – July 1, 2023; Valeri Severson and Brad Pankratz – June 30, 2024; Trevor Tauzer – October 26, 2025. He explained there will be four openings in 2023 (two current member terms ending, a vacant public member, and a new board member). Mr. Lima asked CSBA to give a recommendation list to the Apiary Board so it can be submitted to the Secretary. CDFA stated that beginning in 2023, the CDFA Secretary may also identify representatives to serve as subject matter experts.

Border Stations

CDFA provided an update on the Border Station program. Goal is to increase communication and understanding of the process at Border Stations and decrease unnecessary delays.

Wildlife Damage

The bear update was tabled until next meeting. Any photo documentation should be sent to Mrs. Parks-Burris. Information can also be sent to Ms. Berger, and she will forward it.

Public Lands

CDFA is waiting for an update and will provide information at the next meeting.

NEXT MEETING DATE/ CLOSING

Next Meeting Date

The next Board meeting is scheduled on January 12, 2023, at 1 p.m. in conjunction with the CSBA Board meeting that day. Looking for location and zoom access will be provided.

Future Agenda Items

1. 2023 Board Vacancy
2. Mr. Tauzer wants to discuss Bee Where at the next meeting. Contact your local County Agricultural Commissioner if there are any issues or concerns.

Adjourn

Mr. Lima adjourned the meeting at 10:15 a.m.