

**California Department of Food and Agriculture  
Integrated Pest Control Branch  
APIARY ADVISORY BOARD MEETING (AAB)  
May 29, 2025  
County of Tehama, Department of Agriculture  
1834 Walnut St.  
Red Bluff, CA 96080**

<b><u>Members Present</u></b>	<b><u>Members Absent</u></b>	<b><u>CDFA Personnel</u></b>
Trevor Tauzer, Chair Brock Ashurst (via GoTo) Matt Beekman (via GoTo) Matt Stayer	Tim Pelican	Jennifer Berger Canh Nguyen (via GoTo) Michelle Dennis (via GoTo) Jeffrey Simons Missy Amaya (via GoTo) Jennifer Gordon (via GoTo) Patricia Boles (via GoTo) Adriaan Gilis (via GoTo)

**Guest Speakers and Subject Matter Experts**

Marcie Skelton, Glenn County Agricultural Commissioner, (CACASA) Nursery, Seed, and Apiary, Chair.

Deputy Jay Freeman, Rural Crimes Task Force, Butte County Sheriff's Department

**CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

Trevor Tauzer, Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m.

The meeting was held in compliance with the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act, pursuant to Government Code Sections 11120-11132.

**REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF PRIOR MEETING MINUTES**

Minutes from January 30, 2025, were presented to the board for approval.

**Motion: 1. Mr. Matt Stayer moved to accept the meeting minutes from the January 30, 2025, meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Brock Ashurst. The motion was unanimously passed by all board members in attendance.**

**Yes**

Trevor Tauzer, Chair  
Matt Beekman  
Matt Stayer  
Brock Ashurst

**No**

None

**Abstention**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

Mr. Tauzer asked for public comment.

**CDFA PROGRAM UPDATES**

- Registration fees will be collected for 2026, based on registered colonies in 2025.
- Scope of Work and Work Plan are in review.
- FAQs from a meeting with CAC and staff for the registration process is in review
- Border Protection Stations provided update. Answered questions and provided email address for inquiries.

**CACASA UPDATE: APIARY**

Marcie Skelton provided the CACASA apiary update. Marcie will be handing over the role to Jolene Desert as the Nursery, Seed, and Apiary Chair for CACASA.

**TROPILAEELAPS**

No new updates. Training material will be included in the Apiary Training provided by CDFA.

**HIVE THEFT AND PREVENTION**

Deputy Rowdy Freeman reported that hive theft has dropped off, potentially due to tracking devices and cameras at apiary locations.

**BOARD MEMBER VACANCIES**

One board position for an apiary industry member is currently vacant. Trevor Tauzer will be leaving the board as he completes his four-year term in October which will leave an additional seat vacant. A new chair will need to be voted on by the October 9, 2025, meeting.

**NEXT MEETING AND AGENDA ITEMS**

The next meeting will be posted to the CDFA's Apiary Protection Program website and the CDFA Meetings page. The next board meeting is scheduled for Thursday, August 14, 2025, at the Stanislaus County Agricultural Commissioner's Office.

October 9, 2025- Location is TBA

### **Future Agenda Items**

### **Adjourn**

Chairman Tauzer adjourned the meeting at 11:33 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

Jennifer Berger  
Secretary to the Apiary Advisory Board  
California Department of Food & Agriculture