



**MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
November 5, 2021**

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Yuba County Resource Conservation District (YCRCD) was held on **November 5, 2021**, commencing at **9:36 A.M.** The meeting was conducted by Zoom Video Conference and Audio Teleconference.

The Yuba County Resource Conservation District supports the orders and directives from the California Department of Public Health and the California Governor’s Office in the effort to minimize the spread of the Coronavirus (COVID-19).

The Brown Act, Government Code section 54953(e), makes provisions for remote teleconferencing participation in meetings by members of a legislative body, without compliance with the requirements of Government Code section 54953(b)(3), subject to the existence of certain conditions.

ROLL CALL

Directors	Present	Absent
Alyssa Lindman (President)	X	
Gary Fildes	X	
Deborah Aseltine Neilson	X	

Others Present:

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comments provided.

CONSENT ITEM

No consent items were considered at this meeting.

ACTION ITEMS

- A. Adoption of Resolution #21-7: A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE YUBA COUNTY RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT PROCLAIMING A LOCAL EMERGENCY PERSISTS, RE-RATIFYING THE PROCLAMATION OF A STATE OF EMERGENCY BY GOVERNOR NEWSOM’S ORDER DATED MARCH 4, 2020, AND RE-AUTHORIZING REMOTE TELECONFERENCE MEETINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE BODIES OF YUBA COUNTY RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT FOR THE PERIOD OF NOVEMBER 5, 2021 TO DECEMBER 4, 2021 PURSUANT TO BROWN ACT PROVISIONS.

Director Aseltine Neilson indicated that the YCRCD's November 12, 2021 regular meeting via a remote teleconference will be covered under this resolution. Another resolution will need to be adopted at the November 12th regular meeting to cover YCRCD's December regular meeting which will be held on December 10th.

Upon a motion made by Director Lindman, seconded by Director Fildes, and unanimously carried, the Board approved Resolution #21-7.

BOARD PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Director Lindman has been working on an update of the workplan and budget for the DOC grant. The plan was to cover some of the salary for a Forest fellow through this DOC grant; however, Director Lindman recently got word that the YCRCD did not get the Forest fellow through the Sierra Nevada Alliance's grant application to CalFire. This means that additional capacity building tasks will need to be identified and added into the updated DOC work plan and budget to allow YCRCD to fully use the grant funds available through this DOC grant. These tasks need to be identified by mid-November. There is still a chance that YCRCD could get a fellow through the Sierra Nevada Conservancy.

Amy Stork with Solid Ground Consulting will start the YCRCD's needs assessment in January 2022. The DOC grant can cover some of the funds for this assessment and a request has been submitted to the Yuba Water Agency to also provide some funding. The YCRCD also may need to directly cover a portion of the funding.

Director Lindman continues to meet with Randy Fletcher (Yuba County supervisor and member of the Yuba Water Agency board) and Allison Thomson (Executive Director, Yuba Watershed Protection and Fire Safe Council) about long-term goals and potential projects. Director Lindman and Allison Thomson also are working together to develop a presentation for the Yuba Water Agency. Director Lindman also has been discussing the annual financial needs for the YCRCD and the lack of staff with Randy Fletcher to see if there might be a possibility of some support for the YCRCD from Yuba County.

DIRECTORS' COMMENTS AND REPORTS

The Board members discussed the need for staff and identified specific needs such as someone who could attend meetings and reach out to individuals and organizations who might be interested in partnering with YCRCD.

Director Aseltine Neilson indicated that she had met with Chris from Streamline and discussed the steps needed to set up the redirection of the old website to the new one and to make the new website live.

Director Lindman identified specific Tier 1 check list items that the Board members need to focus on, including specific training and the development of the annual budget that shows that projected expenditures can be covered through projected revenues and current reserves. Director Lindman will request some training for Director Fildes and Director Aseltine Neilson through Target Solutions. Using information from last year's budget and the updated DOC budget, Director Aseltine Neilson and Director Fildes will begin work on the next budget with the intent to bring a draft to the December regular Board meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at **10:14 A.M.**