



Minutes of the Inland Empire Resource Conservation District Regular Board Meeting  
 Thursday, January 14<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at 12 PM

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Directors Present: President Jim Earsom; Vice-President Paul Williams; Secretary-Treasurer Rod LeMond; Director Brad Buller; Director Rick Gomez; Director Nancy Sappington; Director Tricia Reed; Associate Director Jennifer Alford; Associate Director Terrie Andrews; Associate Director AnaLisa Campos; Associate Director Lorien Sanders

Directors Absent: None

Staff Present: District Manager Mandy Parkes; Administrative Assistant Jennifer Castillo; Programs Manager Susie Kirschner; Forestry Health Specialist Alex Chacon

Members of the Public: NRCS Assistant State Conservationist for Field Operation Allen Curry; District Conservationist Tomas Aguilar-Campos; San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District President Paul Kielhold

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by President Jim Earsom at 12:06 PM

II. PUBLIC INPUT

III. DIRECTOR OATHS OF OFFICE

IV. CONSENT CALENDAR

**Director Brad Buller provided the motion to approve the consent calendar except for the Detailed Quarterly Investment Report which will be tabled to the February board meeting. Director Rick Gomez provided the second. The consent calendar was approved unanimously, 7-0.**

Buller	Aye	Reed	Aye
Earsom	Aye	Sappington	Aye
Gomez	Aye	Williams	Aye
LeMond	Aye		

V. REPORTS

1. BB&K Billing Report

**There was no discussion on the BB&K billing report.**

2. Staff Reports

**Staff provided brief updates on January 2021 Board Reports.**

3. NRCS Update

**Assistant to State Conservationist for Field Operations Allen Curry and District Conservationist Tomas Aguilar-Campos provided updates on NRCS programs.**

- 4. SAWA Update  
**There was no discussion on the SAWA update.**
- 5. CARCD Update  
**There was no discussion on CARCD.**
- 6. NACD Update  
**District Manager Mandy Parkes provided a brief update on the 2021 NACD virtual conference.**

**VI. PRESENTATION**

- 1. Staff Analysis Findings/Part II  
**Ms. Parkes presented the findings and recommendations of IERCD’s 2020-21 Staff Analysis – Part II.**

**VII. OLD/NEWBUSINESS**

- 1. Discussion and Possible Approval of License Agreement with BNSF Railroad  
**Director Buller made a motion to approve the License Agreement with BNSF. Director Rick Gomez provided the second. The motion passed unanimously, 7-0.**

Buller	Aye	Reed	Aye
Earsom	Aye	Sappington	Aye
Gomez	Aye	Williams	Aye
LeMond	Aye		

- 2. Discussion and Possible Action on IERCD Board Officer Elections  
**Director Buller made a motion to appoint the following members to officer positions through the July 2021 annual meeting: President - Jim Earsom; Vice-President - Paul Williams; Secretary-Treasurer - Rod LeMond. The motion was seconded by President Earsom and passed unanimously, 7-0.**

Buller	Aye	Reed	Aye
Earsom	Aye	Sappington	Aye
Gomez	Aye	Williams	Aye
LeMond	Aye		

- 3. Discussion and Possible Action on IERCD Committee Membership.  
**Director Buller made a motion to approve Committee Membership to include:**

Budget, Finance and Audits:  
LeMond, Gomez, Williams  
Alternate: Reed

Administrative and Employee Relations:  
Buller, Reed, Williams  
Alternate: Campos

Public Outreach and Education Committee:

Land Conservation and Mitigation

Earsom, Alford, Campos, Sanders, Andrews  
 Alternate: Vacant

Earsom, Gomez, Sappington  
 Alternate: Sanders

**Ad-Hoc Committees:**

Strategic Plan:

Buller, LeMond, Sappington, Alford, Campos

**Vice-President Paul Williams provided the second and the motion was approved, 7-0.**

Buller	Aye	Reed	Aye
Earsom	Aye	Sappington	Aye
Gomez	Aye	Williams	Aye
LeMond	Aye		

4. Discussion and Possible Approval of 2021 Social Media and Brown Act Policy  
**Secretary-Treasurer LeMond made a motion to approve the 2021 Social Media and Brown Act Policy. The motion was seconded by Vice-President Williams. The motion passed unanimously, 7-0.**

Buller	Aye	Reed	Aye
Earsom	Aye	Sappington	Aye
Gomez	Aye	Williams	Aye
LeMond	Aye		

VIII. GENERAL DISCUSSION FOR THE GOOD OF THE DISTRICT

1. North Etiwanda Preserve  
**Ms. Parkes provided an update on the ongoing revision of the North Etiwanda Preserve management strategy.**
2. Form 700  
**Administrative Assistant Jennifer Castillo provided updates on Form 700 completion requirements.**
3. California Energy Commission (CEC) Grant  
**Ms. Parkes provided a brief update on IERCD’s participation in the CEC grant.**

IX. ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. The National Association of Conservation Districts (NACD’s) 2021 Annual Virtual Conference Announcement; February 1<sup>st</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup>, 2021
2. The Association of San Bernardino County Special Districts (ABCSD’s) first virtual meeting, hosted by Cucamonga Valley Water District (CVWD) on January 25<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at 6 PM

X. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

1. Mid-Year Budget Revisions

XI. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

XII. ADJOURN MEETING

**This meeting was adjourned by President Jim Earsom at 1:43 PM.**

Approved this 11<sup>th</sup> day of February 2021

*James Earsom*

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Jim Earsom, President

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*Rod LeMond*

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Rod LeMond, Secretary-Treasure