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## MEETING MINUTES

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Western Riverside County Regional Conservation Authority was called to order by Chairman Ingram at 12:35 p.m., Monday, September 10, 2018, in the Board Room of the Riverside County Administrative Center, 4080 Lemon Street, Riverside, California, 92501.

### 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Board Member Anthony Kelly, Jr., led the RCA Board Members and meeting attendees in a flag salute.

### 3. ROLL CALL

Member Agency	Board Member Name	Status
City of Banning	Daniela Andrade	Present
City of Beaumont	Julio Martinez	Present
City of Calimesa	Jeffrey Hewitt	Present
City of Canyon Lake	Larry Greene	Present
City of Corona	Eugene Montanez	Absent
City of Eastvale	Clint Lorimore	Present
City of Hemet	Michael Perciful	Present
City of Jurupa Valley	Anthony Kelly, Jr., <i>Alternate</i>	Present
City of Lake Elsinore	Natasha Johnson	Absent
City of Menifee	Matt Liesemeyer	Present
City of Moreno Valley	Jeffrey Giba	Present
City of Murrieta	Jonathan Ingram, Chairman	Present
City of Norco	Kevin Bash	Present
City of Perris	David Starr Rabb	Present
City of Riverside	Andy Melendrez	Absent
City of San Jacinto	Crystal Ruiz	Present
City of Temecula	Maryann Edwards	Present
City of Wildomar	Timothy Walker	Present
County District 1	Kevin Jeffries	Present
County District 2	John Tavaglione	Absent
County District 3	Chuck Washington	Present
County District 4	V. Manuel Perez	Absent
*County District 5	Marion Ashley	Present

\*County District 5 representative arrived at 12:40 p.m. after roll call was taken.

**4. PUBLIC COMMENT**

There were no public comments.

**5. BOARD MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS (This item provides the opportunity for the Board Members to report on attended meetings/conferences and any other items related to RCA activities.)**

Board Member Ruiz stated that she was invited back to the White House in Washington, D.C., to represent female Mayors across America. She received a private tour of the White House, attended a two-hour briefing and several hours of meetings with department heads on how the United States Government could assist local areas. She further stated that she was asked to invite female Mayors who would be interested in attending future meetings. She asked that anyone interested provide her their contact information.

**6. ADDITIONS/REVISIONS (The Board may add an item to the Agenda after making a finding that there is a need to take immediate action on the item and that the item came to the attention of the Board subsequent to the posting of the agenda. An action adding an item to the agenda requires 2/3 vote of the Board. If there are less than 2/3 of the Board Members present, adding an item requires a unanimous vote. Added items will be placed for discussion at the end of the agenda.)**

Steve DeBaun, General Counsel, stated that Agenda Item No. 14.1.6 from Closed Session is removed from the agenda.

**7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES — June 4, 2018 meeting of the RCA Board of Directors**

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	City of Temecula
<b>SECONDER:</b>	City of Moreno Valley
<b>AYES:</b>	Banning, Beaumont, Calimesa, Canyon Lake, Eastvale, Hemet, Jurupa Valley, Menifee, Moreno Valley, Murrieta, Norco, Perris, San Jacinto, Temecula, Wildomar, County District 1, County District 3, County District 5
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Corona, Lake Elsinore, Riverside, County District 2, County District 4

**8. CONSENT CALENDAR (All matters listed under the Consent Calendar will be approved in a single motion unless a Board Member requests separate action on specific Consent Calendar item. The item will be pulled from the Consent Calendar and placed for discussion.)**

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED Agenda Items 8.1 – 8.4 [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	City of San Jacinto
<b>SECONDER:</b>	City of Temecula
<b>AYES:</b>	Banning, Beaumont, Calimesa, Canyon Lake, Eastvale, Hemet, Jurupa Valley, Menifee, Moreno Valley, Murrieta, Norco, Perris, San Jacinto, Temecula, Wildomar, County District 1, County District 3, County District 5
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Corona, Lake Elsinore, Riverside, County District 2, County District 4

**8.1 WESTERN RIVERSIDE COUNTY MSHCP FEE COLLECTION REPORTS FOR MAY, JUNE AND JULY 2018**

Overview

This item is for the RCA Board of Directors to receive and file the Western Riverside County MSHCP Fee Collection Reports for May, June and July 2018.

**8.2 FISCAL YEAR 2018 PRELIMINARY FOURTH QUARTER FINANCIAL REPORT (UNAUDITED)**

Overview

This item is for the RCA Board of Directors to receive and file the Fiscal Year 2018 Preliminary Fourth Quarter Financial Report (Unaudited).

**8.3 FISCAL YEAR 2018 FOURTH QUARTER CONSULTANT REPORTS**

Overview

This item is for the RCA Board of Directors to receive and file the Fiscal Year 2018 Fourth Quarter Consultant Reports.

**8.4 RESOLUTION NO. 2018-008, RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE WESTERN RIVERSIDE COUNTY REGIONAL CONSERVATION AUTHORITY AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT FUNDS FROM THE RIVERS & LANDS CONSERVANCY**

Overview

This item is for the RCA Board of Directors to:

- 1) Approve Resolution No. 2018-008, *Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Western Riverside County Regional Conservation Authority Authorizing the Acceptance of Grant Funds from the Rivers & Lands Conservancy*; and
- 2) Approve the budget adjustment contained in the attached Exhibit A; and
- 3) Authorize the Chairman to direct the Auditor-Controller to make the budget adjustment contain in the attached Exhibit A.

**8.5 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE WESTERN RIVERSIDE COUNTY REGIONAL CONSERVATION AUTHORITY AND OPR COMMUNICATIONS, INC., FOR PUBLIC OUTREACH CAMPAIGN AND ON-CALL MEDIA SERVICES**

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED [16-0]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	City of San Jacinto
<b>SECONDER:</b>	City of Hemet
<b>AYES:</b>	Banning, Beaumont, Calimesa, Canyon Lake, Eastvale, Hemet, Jurupa Valley, Menifee, Moreno Valley, Murrieta, Norco, Perris, San Jacinto, Temecula, Wildomar, County District 1
<b>ABSTAIN:</b>	County District 3, County District 5
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Corona, Lake Elsinore, Riverside, County District 2, County District 4

Overview

This item is for the RCA Board of Directors to:

- 1) Approve the Professional Services Agreement between the Western Riverside County Regional Conservation Authority and OPR Communications, Inc. for Public Outreach Campaign and On-call Media Services; and
- 2) Authorize the Chairman to execute, pursuant to legal counsel review and approval, to execute said Agreement on behalf of the RCA.

**9. AGREEMENT FOR FUNDING THE ACQUISITION OF CONSERVATION CREDITS BETWEEN THE WESTERN RIVERSIDE COUNTY REGIONAL CONSERVATION AUTHORITY AND CRESTMORE REDEVELOPMENT, LLC**

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	City of San Jacinto
<b>SECONDER:</b>	City of Jurupa Valley
<b>AYES:</b>	Banning, Beaumont, Calimesa, Canyon Lake, Eastvale, Hemet, Jurupa Valley, Menifee, Moreno Valley, Murrieta, Norco, Perris, San Jacinto, Temecula, Wildomar, County District 1, County District 3, County District 5
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Corona, Lake Elsinore, Riverside, County District 2, County District 4

John Field, Land Acquisition Director, discussed the proposed industrial and business park development at the former Riverside Cement plant in Jurupa Valley, and the mitigation required under the Plan in order to develop in the Agua Mansa area. He also explained that the acquisition of Delhi Sands flower-loving fly (DSF) habitat in San Bernardino County was anticipated and allowed by the Plan because DSF habitat in Riverside County was already scarce when the Plan was being developed. Mr. Field then described how the mitigation fees paid by the developer will be applied to the purchase of DSF conservation acreage credits at the Colton Dunes DSF Conservation Bank in the City of Colton, which is in San Bernardino County. He also explained that the conservation bank purchase will be a separate transaction that will involve Board approval at a future meeting.

Board Member Kelly shared a letter that was written by Penny Newman dated August 4, 2016, who at the time was the Executive Director of Center for Community Action and Environmental Justice. The letter was addressed to the City of Jurupa Valley Mayor and Council and was in support of the project. Mr. Kelly also explained that his family has three generations of history in the community near the plant site and that he supports the proposal, as the property needs to be cleaned up and this project will bring jobs, industry and much needed revenue to the city.

Chairman Ingram stated that the project has been a culmination of a year's worth of work. He thanked RCA staff, Best Best & Krieger, and the developer for their efforts to make this a win-win situation. The task was difficult. Not only does this project benefit the City of Jurupa from a fiscal standpoint, but also substantiates that RCA cares about the environment and is leading the charge. He further stated that the Board of Supervisors worked hard to make sure that the MSHCP works and has been engaged for several years.

### Overview

This item is for the RCA Board of Directors to:

- 1) Approve the Agreement for Funding the Acquisition of Conservation Credits between the Western Riverside County Regional Conservation Authority and Crestmore Redevelopment, LLC; and
- 2) Authorize the Chairman to execute, pursuant to legal counsel review and approval, to execute said Agreement on behalf of the RCA.

## **10. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

### **10.1 Update Concerning Establishment of National Wildlife Refuge**

Charles Landry, Executive Director, reported on the continuing efforts to work with Congressman Calvert's office on the National Wildlife Refuge Bill. This refuge will avail RCA another source of funding. The refuge will not require any more land and be located within 153,000-acres of additional reserve land as previously discussed. Once the Bill is written and in final form, it will be agendized for the Board of Directors' consideration in the form of a resolution.

## **11. LAND ACQUISITION UPDATE**

Charles Landry, Executive Director, stated that at the last RCA Board of Directors' meeting, it was reported that RCA had acquired 59,143 acres. Escrow has closed on nine additional property totaling approximately 350 acres, bringing the reserve total to approximately 59,493 acres. A map was presented to Board Members showing where the newly acquired acres are located in the Reserve.

## **12. FEATURED SPECIES OF THE MONTH**

Elizabeth "Betsy" Dionne, Ecological Resources Specialist, stated that the featured species for the month of September is the American Bittern. She then gave an overview of the bird's characteristics, life history, migration, and how RCA manages for the species.

After her presentation, Betsy Dionne invited questions from the Board Members. There were no questions.

Chairman Ingram and Board Members thanked Betsy Dionne for a well-informed presentation.

*Representatives from County District 1 and 5 departed the meeting at the start of this agenda item.*

### 13. ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

Board Member Liesemeyer addressed Executive Director Landry stating he noticed that the Annual Report had not been published since 2015 and wanted to know the reason. Honey Bernas, Director of Administrative Services, answered that the 2016 Annual Report is in the process of being printed and the 2017 Annual Report will follow shortly thereafter. She stated that the delay was due to a staff changeover.

During this time Tate Goss, from Crestmore Redevelopment, LLC., thanked the RCA Board of Directors for their approval of Agenda Item No. 9. He expressed his appreciation for the support received from all involved, and especially Board Member Kelly.

### 14. CLOSED SESSION

#### 14.1 CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR

**Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8**

**Agency Negotiator:** RCA – Executive Director or Designee

**Under Negotiation:** Price/Terms

Item	Assessor Parcel No(s).	Negotiating Party(ies)/Agent
1	347-270-027 347-270-028	Hilda Andrade
2	932-170-022	Jerry D. Bentley and Yvonne D. Bentley/ Karen Lenahan Sunset Properties
3	257-230-006	Barbara Baxter Bode, DeEllen Baxter Wilford (also known as DeEllen Adell Baxter), Wendy Ann Gruver (also known as Wendy Ann Baxter and Wendy Ann Baxter Powers), Mary Ann McLain, James Edward McLain, Robert Andrew McLain, Holly Elizabeth King and Azusa Pacific University/ Karin Winters and Pete Dangermond
4	572-020-013	Lloyd Bryan Thibodeaux and Joyce D. Thibodeaux
5	472-140-014	Kisling Enterprises, Inc./ Karen Lenahan
6	384-270-010	Anheuser Busch

After Closed Session, the meeting was reconvened. There were no announcements from Closed Session.

## 15. ADJOURNMENT

There being no other items before the RCA Board, Chairman Ingram adjourned the meeting at 1:15 p.m. The next meeting of the Western Riverside County Regional Conservation Authority Board of Directors is scheduled for Monday, October 1, 2018, at 12:30 p.m., at the County of Riverside Administrative Center, Board Room, 4080 Lemon Street, Riverside, California.

Prepared by:



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Respectfully submitted:



Honey Bernas  
Director of Administrative Services