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## MEETING MINUTES

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### 1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Western Riverside County Regional Conservation Authority was called to order by Chairman Ashley at 12:30 p.m., Monday, November 6, 2017, in the Board Room of the Riverside County Administrative Center, 4080 Lemon Street, Riverside, California, 92501.

### 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Board Member Clint Lorimore led the RCA Board Members and meeting attendees in a flag salute.

### 3. ROLL CALL

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

**4. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Chairman Ashley called for public comments regarding items not listed on the agenda. Sonya Alemdar requested to speak on several subjects not related to any item on the agenda. The topics included Villages of Lakeview in Nuevo, the Boulder Springs Project, City of Riverside's Ward 2 seat on JPA and keeping Nuevo rural.

**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.)**

Chairman Ashley called for Board Member announcements. There were no announcements.

**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.)**

Rose Haro, Administrative Manager, announced that there were no additions or revisions.

**7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES — October 2, 2017 meeting of the RCA Board of Directors.**

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED [19 TO 0]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	City of Murrieta
<b>SECONDER:</b>	City of Moreno Valley
<b>AYES:</b>	Banning, Beaumont, Canyon Lake, Corona, Eastvale, Hemet, Jurupa Valley, Lake Elsinore, Menifee, Moreno Valley, Murrieta, Norco, Perris, Riverside, San Jacinto, Temecula, Wildomar, District 3, District 5
<b>ABSTAIN:</b>	City of Calimesa
<b>ABSENT:</b>	County District 1, 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 [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	City of Lake Elsinore
<b>SECONDER:</b>	City of Moreno Valley
<b>AYES:</b>	Banning, Beaumont, Calimesa, Canyon Lake, Corona, Eastvale, Hemet, Jurupa Valley, Lake Elsinore, Menifee, Moreno Valley, Murrieta, Norco, Perris, Riverside, San Jacinto, Temecula, Wildomar, District 3, District 5
<b>ABSENT:</b>	County District 1, County District 2, County District 4

**8.1 WESTERN RIVERSIDE COUNTY MSHCP FEE COLLECTION REPORT FOR SEPTEMBER 2017**Overview

This item is for the RCA Board of Directors to receive and file the Western Riverside County MSHCP Fee Collection Report for September.

**8.2 FISCAL YEAR 2017 DEVELOPMENT IMPACT FEE ANNUAL ACCOUNTING REPORT**Overview

This item is for the RCA Board of Directors to receive and file the Fiscal Year 2017 Development Impact Fee Annual Accounting Report.

**8.3 Fiscal Year 2018 First Quarter Consultant Reports**Overview

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

**8.4 RESOLUTION NO. 2017-008 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. 2017-008, *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*;
- 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 contained in the attached Exhibit A.

**9. LAND ACQUISITION UPDATE**

Charles Landry, Executive Director, stated that at the last RCA Board of Directors' meeting, it was reported that RCA had acquired 56,944 acres. Escrow has closed on four additional properties totaling approximately 200 acres, bringing the reserve total to approximately 57,144 acres.

## 10. FEATURED SPECIES OF THE MONTH

Elizabeth "Betsy" Dionne, Ecological Resources Specialist, stated that the featured species for the month of November is the long-tailed weasel. She explained that the weasel is a member of the mustelid family that includes ferrets, badgers, minks, otters and a variety of other species. Mustelids are unique in that they exhibit musk glands used to mark their territory and scare off predators. The weasel has a widespread range throughout Canada, USA and Mexico. They are found in grasslands, but will utilize most habitats where small burrowing mammals are plentiful. They are mesocarnivore, which is a small meat-eating species. They play an important role in the ecosystem because they provide rodent population control and help contain the diseases that rodents tend to spread. Adults measure 12-14 inches in length with a long tail which makes up about 50 percent of their total body length. Males are larger than females. They mate in July-August and their gestation period is about 10 months and a litter of 5-8 kits are born in the spring. At birth, kits are blind, have little fur, and weigh only about 3 grams. They exhibit rapid growth and at five weeks of age will accompany their mothers on hunting trips. The lifespan of the long-tailed weasel is not well known, but the closely related species of weasel live approximately 4-6 years.

Betsy Dionne also reported on the monitoring, management activities and goals for this species. The monitoring objectives for this species include documenting occurrence within 75% of the localities the species are known to occur. The long-tailed weasel cannot be documented well using camera traps because they are too fast and too low to the ground so scent stations are used instead. Scent stations are set up by spreading fine sand evenly over a 2-foot diameter circle. A very pungent scent tablet is placed at the center of the station which will attract many different animals, including the long-tailed weasel. These scent stations are checked and reset every day, and all tracks are recorded. The weasel can be easily distinguished from other small animals that have checked into the scent station because of their distinct track patterns, which include parallel track patterns, a hopping gait, five toes, and paw prints that are wider than they are long.

After her presentation, Betsy Dionne invited and responded to questions from the Board Members. Chairman Ashley and Board Members thanked Betsy Dionne for a well-informed presentation.

## 11. ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

Chairman Ashley asked if any Board Member had items for the next meeting. There were no requested items.

Chairman Ashley requested that the board room be cleared for closed session and that the recording be turned off.

**12. CLOSED SESSION ITEMS:**

- 12.1 CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR**  
**Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8**  
**Negotiating Parties:** RCA – Executive Director of Designee  
**Under Negotiation:** Price/Terms

Item	Assessor Parcel No.	Property Owner(s)/Agent
1	581-310-012 581-310-014 583-280-013 583-280-014 583-280-015	William Melmoth Pamela Melmoth
2	Portions of 256-020-001 and 256-020-002	Henry Broadcasting Company, Charlton Buckley

- 12.2 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION**  
**Initiation of litigation pursuant to paragraph 4 of subdivision (d) of**  
**Government Code Section 54956.9**

**Number of potential case(s): Three**

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

**13. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no other items before the RCA Board, Chairman Ashley adjourned the meeting at 1:20 p.m. The next meeting of the Western Riverside County Regional Conservation Authority Board of Directors is scheduled for Monday, December 4, 2017, 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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RCA Administrative Manager

Respectfully submitted:



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Director of Administrative Services