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REGULAR BOARD MEETING

SEVEN HUNDRED SIXTIETH MEETING

Monday October 26, 2015—6:00 P.M.

**Agoura Hills/Calabasas Community Center
27040 Malibu Hills Road, Room C, Calabasas, CA 91301**

MINUTES

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** the meeting was called to order by President R.C. Brody at 6:09 p.m. A quorum was established with Directors Beth Burnam, Nancy Helsley and Steve Rosentsweig in attendance. Director Mary Ellen Strote was absent. Also in attendance were Associate Director Dennis Washburn and Executive Officer Clark Stevens.

The Board complemented Melina Watts, Coordinator of the Living Lightly Guide project, on the website and the presentation that occurred prior to the Board meeting.

2. **INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS:** there were no guests.
3. **PUBLIC COMMENTS:** there were no comments.
4. **MINUTES:** Approval of minutes for meeting of September 28, 2015.
Moved/Seconded: Mr. Rosentsweig/Ms. Burnam; approved 4-0.
5. **MONTHLY CLAIMS AND FINANCIALS:** Approval of financial reports and claims for September 2015. **Moved/Seconded: Mr. Rosentsweig/Ms. Burnam; approved 4-0.**
6. **REGULAR CALENDAR**
 - A. Appointment of Delegate to California Association of Resource Conservation Districts (CARCD) Annual Conference Board meeting: Ms. Helsley was appointed delegate to the CARCD Annual Conference Board meeting. Mr. Hendra was appointed as the alternate delegate. **Moved/Seconded: Mr. Rosentsweig/Ms. Burnam; approved 4-0.**
 - B. RCDSMM participation in CARCD Capacity Building: the Board discussed the benefits and commitments of participating in the various programs and asked Ms. Helsley to gather more information at the Annual Conference. Mr. Washburn discussed past efforts to help underperforming Districts and talked about this as a continuation of those efforts.



7. **USDA/NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE REPORT:**
 no report.

8. **INFORMATIONAL REPORTS:**

A. Staff Reports for September:

- i. Clark Stevens, Executive Officer: Mr. Stevens reviewed his written report and provided more detail on items at the request of Directors, particularly the Highway 101 Wildlife Crossing project. The Board directed Mr. Stevens to update Senator Pavley on the project to ensure it is done right and cost effectively.
- ii. John Hendra, Operations Manager
- iii. Stephen Vodantis, Education Supervisor
- iv. Rosi Dagit, Senior Conservation Biologist
- v. Jen Mongolo, Conservation Biologist

B. Sepulveda Basin Wildlife Area Steering Committee

9. **DIRECTORS' COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS**


- Mr. Washburn asked Mr. Stevens about the "Sky Valley National Monument" proposed for the Santa Susana Field Lab area. We aren't participating in this effort and it seems like it is a long way from happening.

10. **CORRESPONDENCE**

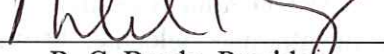
- Nomination of candidate to represent Special Districts on the Local Agency Formation Commission of Los Angeles County: tabled to next meeting.

11. **ADJOURNMENT: Moved/Seconded: Mr. Rosentsweig/Ms. Burnam; approved 4-0.**

The meeting was adjourned at 6:42 p.m.

Submitted by: 
 John Hendra, Operations Manager

Date: 1/25/16

Approved by: 
 R. C. Brody, President
 Board of Directors

Date: 1/25/16