



Tehachapi Resource Conservation District

Conserving and Enhancing Our Natural Resources and Environment

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BOARD MEETING

Minutes for August 8, 2026

1. **Call to Order:** Director Barraclough, Director Hammond, Director Casdorph, Director Duggan (on Zoom). Director Fulks absent. Staff absent
2. **Nuwā Acknowledgement**
3. **Agenda change:** None
4. **Public:** None
5. **Minutes:** Director Hammond made a motion to approve July 10, 2026 minutes with corrections. Director Barraclough second. All ayes.
6. **Financial Report:** No financial report.
7. **NRCS Report:** Director Casdorph presented email report From Arnelis Crespo, NRCS. 2025/26 NRCS did over \$1.2 million in contracts in 2025/26 fiscal year. 1.2 Four contracts in Tehachapi area.
8. **Staff Report:** Director Casdorph presented his emailed report. Mr. Richardson has been doing many field visits for NRCS. He installed one of the ring cameras. He has been learning Grant Vantage with the Directors so he can input grant reports for NACD. Local Working Group is scheduled at Tehachapi Winery for Sept 9, 2026 10:00 to 12:00.
9. **New Business:**
 - a) Approve audit letter to BHK to begin fiscal year 2023/24 audit. BHK has already sent tasks to Director Barraclough. Director Hammond made a motion to approve engagement letter for fiscal year 2023/24 with BHK with President Duggan to sign. Director Duggan second. All ayes.
10. Director Casdorph presented a letter to the Kern County Board of Supervisors with recommendations to reapprove the 4-year term on the Board for Directors Fulks, Duggan and Casdorph. Director Hammond made a motion for the president to sign this letter and send to the Board of Supervisors. Director Barraclough second. All ayes.
11. Certification for Ryan for Conservation certificate. We need to ask Ryan if he wants to do this.
12. **Old Business:**
 - a) **Budget update:** Not available. Table until next meeting.
 - b) **Ring Camera:** We will sign up for multiple units.
 - c) **TA 2024 and NRCS Grant:** Amend the budget of \$75,000 budget. Directors Casdorph and Barraclough to meet to amend and send to NACD.
 - d) **Trees for Schools.** Director Hammond went to the nursery to inspect the trees. He also met with Bryan Bell the Superintendent to determine time to plant. We are doing 3 oaks and 2 conifers at each school.
 - e) **Logo:** Director Hammond is talking to the poster contest winner's mother to determine if she is interested and would have permission to draft a logo for us. He is to get her the template of what we would like to see on the logo.
 - f) **Nursery:** No report
 - g) **Ecological Center:** No quote for windows yet.
 - h) **Volunteer quarterly event:** We will be contacting our list for Trees for Schools.
13. **Board Comments:** Director Casdorph brought up CARCD conference in November the 17th – 19th. Director Hammond indicated he would like to attend as well as staff.
14. **Adjourn:** Director Casdorph made motion to adjourn. Director Duggan second. All ayes. Adjourned 7:25 pm.