



## **Minutes of the Butte County Air Quality Management District Governing Board of Directors Meeting of December 7th, 2023**

### Members Present:

Tami Ritter	Supervisor, District 3
Peter Durfee	Supervisor, District 2
Doug Teeter	Supervisor, District 5
Chuck Nuchols	Vice Mayor, Biggs
Angel Calderon	Councilmember, Gridley
Addison Winslow	Councilmember, Chico
David Pittman	Mayor, Oroville (Alternate) Councilmember Paradise (Alternate)
Ron Lassonde	

### Members Absent:

Tod Kimmelshue	Supervisor, District 4
Bill Connelly	Supervisor, District 1
Eric Smith	Vice Mayor, City of Oroville
Rose Tryon	Vice Mayor, Town of Paradise

### Staff Present:

Stephen Ertle	Air Pollution Control Officer (APCO)
Kelly Towne	Clerk of the Board
Patrick Lucey	Assistant Air Pollution Control Officer
Ursula Parker	Senior Air Quality Compliance Specialist
Riley Peacock	Air Quality Engineer

### Remote Staff:

Jason Mandly	Senior Air Quality Planner
David Campbell	Air Quality Compliance Specialist II

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, members of the public are encouraged to attend the meeting using Zoom. Public comments were accepted before and during the meeting by emailing [ktowne@bcaqmd.org](mailto:ktowne@bcaqmd.org).

### **1. Call to Order and Roll Call.**

Chair Ritter called the meeting to order at 10:15 a.m. at the BCAG Board Room, 326 Huss Drive, Suite 100, Chico, California.

**2. Additions and Deletions to the Consent or Regular Agenda.**

No additions or deletions.

**3. Consent Agenda.**

**3.1** Minutes of the October 26, 2023 Meeting of the Board of Directors.

**3.2** Activity Report on Butte County Air Quality Management District Activities.

**3.3** Financial Report

**3.4** Calendar of Events

**3.5** Status Report on Communications

**3.6** 2024 Meeting Schedule

**ACTION REQUESTED: Approve Consent Agenda Items.**

Board comments: None

Public comments: None

A motion was made by Supervisor Teeter and seconded by Supervisor Durfee to approve the Consent Agenda Items.

**Motion carries by the following vote:**

**AYES:** Supervisor Ritter, Supervisor Durfee (Second), Supervisor Teeter(motion), Councilmember Winslow, Councilmember Calderon, Mayor Pittman(Alternate), Councilmember Lassonde(Alternate) and Vice Mayor Nuchols.

**NOES:** None.

**ABSTAIN:** None.

**ABSENT:** Supervisor Kimmelshue, Supervisor Connelly, Vice Mayor Tryon, Vice Mayor Smith

**ITEMS FOR ACTION**

**4. Items removed from the Consent Agenda for Board consideration and actions.**

No items removed from the Consent Agenda.

**5. Prescribed Burn Reporting and Monitoring Support Program (Year 5) Approval and Update**

**ACTION REQUESTED:** Approval of Resolution 2023-18, for year five (5) funding of the Prescribed Burn Reporting & Monitoring Support Program (Grant) and providing a program update. The Grant was first approved in April 2019.

The Prescribed Burn report was presented by Ursula Parker, Senior Air Quality Compliance Specialist.

Board Discussion: Board discussion ensued.

Public comments: None

A motion was made by Supervisor Durfee and seconded by Vice Mayor Nuchols to approve Resolution 2023-18 Year 5 Prescribed Burn Grant.

**Motion carries by the following vote:**

AYES: Supervisor Ritter, Supervisor Durfee (motion), Supervisor Teeter, Councilmember Winslow, Councilmember Calderon, Mayor Pittman, Councilmember Lassonde and Vice Mayor Nuchols(second).

NOES: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Supervisor Kimmelshue, Supervisor Connelly, Vice Mayor Tryon, Vice Mayor Smith

**6. Wildfire Mitigation Plan Public Hearing**

**ACTION REQUESTED:** After holding a public hearing, approve the proposed mitigation plan and associated Resolution 2023-19

The Wildfire Mitigation Plan was presented by Senior Air Quality Planner, Jason Mandly.

Board discussion: Board discussion ensued.

Public comments: None

A motion was made by Supervisor Durfee and seconded by Councilmember Lassonde to approve the Wildfire Mitigation Plan and Resolution 2023-19.

**Motion carries by the following vote:**

AYES: Supervisor Ritter, Supervisor Durfee (motion), Supervisor Teeter, Councilmember Winslow, Councilmember Calderon, Mayor Pittman, Councilmember Lassonde(second) and Vice Mayor Nuchols.

NOES: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Supervisor Kimmelshue, Supervisor Connelly, Vice Mayor Tryon, Vice Mayor Smith

**ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**

**7. Emissions Inventory Status Report 2022**

**ACTION REQUESTED:** Accept and file report.

The Emissions Inventory Status Report was presented by Riley Peacock, Air Quality Engineer.

Board discussion: None

Public comments: None

The report was accepted.

**8. APCO Report**

**ACTION REQUESTED:** None. This item is provided for information and discussion.

Air Pollution Control Officer Stephen Ertle presented the APCO report.

See addendum to the minutes for the report.

Board discussion: None

Public comments: None

**9. Other Business.**

Supervisor Ritter presented to the District a certificate from the Special District Risk Management Authority. The Presidents Special Acknowledgement award for Butte County Air Quality having zero paid claims form 2018-2023.

Supervisor Ritter acknowledged a job well done by the District and its staff.

**10. Public Comment Period.** Any person may address the Board of Directors on any matter within the jurisdiction of the Board that is not on the agenda for this meeting. Any person may address the Board on an agenda item when that time is called. The Chair requests that each person addressing the Board limits their presentation to five (5) minutes. No public comments.

**11. Adjourn to Closed Session.** No closed session was held.

**12. Report from Closed Session.** None

**15. The meeting adjourned at 10:46 a.m. The next Board of Directors Meeting is scheduled for January 25, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. at the Butte County Association of Governments Board Room, 326 Huss Drive, Suite 100, Chico, California.**



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Stephen Ertle, Air Pollution Control Officer  
Butte County Air Quality Management District

I hereby attest that this is a true and correct copy of the action taken by the Butte County Air Quality Management District Board of Directors on December 7, 2023.



ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Kelly Towne, Clerk of the Governing Board