



INLAND EMPIRE

RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Minutes of the June 11th, 2026 Regular Board Meeting

In-Person

Thursday, June 11th, 2026 at 12 PM
2024 Orange Tree Lane
Redlands, CA 92374

Meeting Link: <https://zoom.us/j/93950499644?pwd=Znw9R03xOsnPXVUapTXOzlkwPXK6fY>

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Directors Present: President Rick Gomez; Vice-President Nancy Humenik Sappington, Secretary-Treasurer Andy Okoro; Director Brad Buller; Director Jim Earsom; Director David Friedman

Directors Absent: Director Lorien Sanders; Associate Director Alicia Gyllenhammer

Staff Present: District Manager Mandy Parkes; Administrative Programs Lead Jennifer Castillo; Administrative Assistant Valerie Velazquez; Education Programs Manager Heidi Ortloff; Community Engagement Specialist Crystal Valenzuela; Conservation Educator Alma Eichman; Sustainable Ag Lead Madison Santiago; Sustainable Ag Technician Autumn Yanez-Jacobo; Forestry Programs Lead Melanie Garcia; Forestry Programs Specialist Kayla Thompson; Forester Matt Salmassian; Mitigation Programs Lead Jose Mora; Nursery Programs Specialist Sam Nielsen

Members of the Public: NRCS District Conservationist Phoung Woolery; South Coast Air Quality Management District Public Affairs Specialist Todd Warden

I. CALL TO ORDER

President Rick Gomez called the meeting to order at 12:06 pm

II. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment

III. CONSENT CALENDAR

1. June 11th, 2026 Regular Board Meeting Agenda
2. Minutes of the May 14th, 2026 Regular Board Meeting
3. May 2026 Checks and Agreements Report
4. Discussion and Possible Approval of the Funding Agreement with Rivers and Lands Conservancy
5. Discussion and Possible Approval of the Purchase Order with the San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District
6. Discussion and Possible Approval of the Task Order 2026-01 with the San Bernardino Valley Water Conservation District
7. NOE - Monarch Grant

Director Brad Buller made a motion to approve the Consent Calendar. Director Jim Earsom provided the second. The motion was approved unanimously, 5-0.

Buller	Aye	Okoro	Aye
Earsom	Aye	Sanders	Absent
Friedman	Absent	Sappington	Aye
Gomez	Aye		

Director David Friedman joined the meeting at 12:08pm.

IV. OLD/NEW BUSINESS

1. Discussion and Approval of Resolution 2026-03 Authorizing the 2026-07 Budget

Director Brad Buller made a motion to approve the Resolution 2026-03 Authorizing the 2026-07 Budget.

Director David Friedman provided the second. The motion was approved unanimously, 6-0.

Buller	Aye	Okoro	Aye
Earsom	Aye	Sanders	Absent
Friedman	Aye	Sappington	Aye
Gomez	Aye		

2. Discussion and Possible Approval of the 2025-26 Budget Revision 3

Director Jim Earsom made a motion to approve the 2025-26 Budget Revision 3. Vice-President Nancy Humenik Sappington provided the second. The motion was approved unanimously, 6-0.

Buller	Aye	Okoro	Aye
Earsom	Aye	Sanders	Absent
Friedman	Aye	Sappington	Aye
Gomez	Aye		

V. REPORTS

1. Department Reports
Staff presented on the highlights of project overviews from their department.
2. LRPPG Report
District Manager Mandy Parkes presented the Urban Grant for LRPPG.
3. CARCD Report
President Rick Gomez provided an update on the upcoming CARCD meeting date.
4. NRCS Report
District Conservationist Phoung Woolery provided updates on NRCS programs
5. NACD Report
Vice Chair Nancy Humenik Sappington presented briefly on her attendance at the Agroforestry Workshop.
6. CSDA Report
There was no additional discussion on the NACD Report.

VI. DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Pending Agreement with Davey Resources Group
District Admin and Forestry Team staffers presented on the draft agreement with Davey Resources Group
2. Fall Board Tour
District Manager Mandy Parkes provided an update on the board tour sites and agenda preparation for Board to review

Directors began the Closed Session at 1:39PM.

VII. CLOSED SESSION -

1. Public Employee Performance Evaluation pursuant to Government Code §54957
Title: *Mandy Parkes, District Manager*

Directors adjourned out of Closed Session at 2:13 PM. There was no reportable action.

VIII. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

IX. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

1. Funding Agreement with Davey Resources Group

X. CALENDAR

XI. ADJOURN MEETING

President Rick Gomez adjourned the meeting at 2:17 pm

Approved this 13th Day of August, 2026



President Rick Gomez

Signed by:



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Vice President Nancy Humenik Sappington