## COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO



# AGRICULTURAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

4137 Branch Center Rd. Sacramento, CA 95827 (916) 875-6603 www.saccounty.gov Steve Campbell – HOA Representative Vacant – Agricultural Economics Brian Fishback – Commercial Bee Keeping Morgan Doran – UC Extension Farm Advisor Charlotte Mitchell – Natural Resources; Poultry Ken Oneto – Orchards, Vineyards, Row Crops Brad van Loben Sels – Farm Management Jim Vietheer – Livestock Michael Wackman – Natural Resources; Wineries

## Agricultural Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of June 12, 2024 6:30 pm Valley Oak Room 4137 Branch Center Rd. Sacramento, California 95827

## 1. CALL TO ORDER

Agricultural Advisory Committee Chair Ken Oneto called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Morgan Doran, Brian Fishback, Charlotte Mitchell, Ken Oneto, Jim Vietheer, and Michael Wackman.

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Steve Campbell, and Brad van Loben Sels.

**STAFF PRESENT:** Kevin Martyn (Deputy Agricultural Commissioner), and Laura McCready (Clerk of the Committee).

**ALSO PRESENT:** Emma Patten, Julie Newton, Larry Gardiner, Nick Avdis, Chris Timmer.

#### 2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was presented to the Committee for approval. It was recommended by Committee Chair Ken Oneto to hear 5b. PLNP2018-00284 Upper Westside Specific Plan first, followed by 5a. PLNP2023-00295 Gardiner Lot Line Adjustment and Review. Michael Wackman motioned to approve the agenda as amended and was seconded by Morgan Doran. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

## 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The November 21, 2023 meeting minutes were presented to the Committee for approval. Michael Wackman motioned to approve the minutes as presented. It was seconded by Charlotte Mitchell. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

4. **PUBLIC FORUM –** No comments received.

#### 5. **NEW BUSINESS**

## B. PLNP2018-00284 Upper Westside Specific Plan:

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A recommendation was made by Michael Wackman and seconded by Jim Vietheer, that as this Plan moves forward, Planning and Environmental Review Staff adhere to the Ag Element in the General Plan and ensure that a 1:1 mitigation of prime farmland occurs within Sacramento County. The recommendation passed by unanimous voice vote.

## A. PLNP2023-00295 Gardiner Lot Line Adjustment and Board Review

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It was moved by Michael Wackman and seconded by Brian Fishback, to recommend approval of the request as presented. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

## C. INDUSTRY/ASSOCIATION/PARTNER AGENCY UPDATES

Chris Timmer with Sloughhouse RCD presented information on the Mobile Irrigation Lab offered for growers in the Sloughhouse RCD boundaries. Free irrigation system evaluations are available. For more information, visit <u>www.sloughhousercd.org</u>

## D. AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONER UPDATE

Kevin Martyn informed the Committee on the following items:

- The Board of Supervisors voted on June 5<sup>th</sup> to approve Sacramento County's \$8.8 billion recommended budget for Fiscal Year 2024-25
- California Agricultural Commissioners and Sealers Association (CACASA) representatives will be meeting with Cal-EPA Secretary Garcia, CDFA Secretary Ross, and DPR Director Henderson on June 19<sup>th</sup> to discuss concerns CACASA outlined in a letter sent to the State agencies, with hopes of working towards rebuilding the partnership.

- Pesticide Notification Regulation Public Hearings: This rulemaking would require all Notices of Intent (NOIs) for use in production agriculture to be electronically submitted to the local county agricultural commissioner, specifies when an NOI for a soil fumigation must be submitted, and requires certain NOI information to be submitted to DPR. These regulations will also require DPR to make the NOI information it receives publicly available. A virtual hearing will be held on Monday, July 15<sup>th</sup> from 6:00p.m. – 8:30p.m.
- Over 146 Japanese Beetles have been detected in Carmichael, across the river from River Bend Park. Over 330 JB traps have been deployed in the area and are being checked daily. Properties of find sites have been treated, and voluntary treatments of properties adjacent to find sites have been completed to help destroy potential larvae that might be out there.
- The Oriental Fruit Fly quarantine in the Rancho Cordova area, which began in September 2023, has been lifted.
- Data is being analyzed for the 2023 Crop Report and is on schedule.
- Bills of Interest:
  - AB 2827 Invasive Species Prevention: Would find and declare that it is a primary goal of the State to prevent the introduction, and suppress the spread, of invasive species within its borders. This bill would require state agencies, in collaboration with stakeholders, to develop and implement strategies to detect, control, monitor, and eradicate invasive species. It would also require the Department to allocate funds, if available, to implement these provisions. This bill has been referred to the Senate Natural Resources and Water Committee, awaiting hearing.
  - AB 1861 Pierce's Disease: Extends the sunset on this program until 2031. The bill has been referred to the Senate Agriculture Committee. The hearing date is June 18<sup>th</sup>.
  - AB 1864 Pesticide Reporting around Schools: Would require a County Agricultural Commissioner to issue an NOI for any application within ¼ mile of a school site. It would also require a separate site ID for the portion of a field that lies within the ¼ mile. DPR would need to amend permit applications to include application method, exact time and date of start and end period of application. Private schools included by the end of 2026. The bill has been referred to the Senate Environmental Quality Committee. The hearing date is June 19<sup>th</sup>.
  - AB 1963 Paraquat Ban: This bill would make unlawful the use of a pesticide, or the manufacture, sale, delivery, holding, or offering for sale in commerce any product containing paraquat dichloride in the State, beginning January 1, 2026. The bill has been referred to the Senate Environmental Quality Committee. The hearing date is June 19<sup>th</sup>.
  - AB 2113 Pesticides: Comprehensive bill that copies the Pesticide Mill Budget Change Proposal (BCP) in a policy format. The bill has been referred to the Senate Environmental Quality Committee. The hearing date is June 19<sup>th</sup>.
  - AB 2552 Pesticides: First-generation anticoagulant rodenticide This

bill would expand the definition of a wildlife habitat area to include an open-space land, as defined. The bill would additionally prohibit the use of a second-generation anticoagulant rodenticide within 2500 feet of a wildlife habitat area and prohibit the use of first-generation rodenticide (a pesticide product containing the active ingredients diphacinone, chlorophacinone, or warfarin) in a wildlife habitat area or within 2500 feet of a wildlife habitat area. This bill would prohibit the use of chlorophacinone or warfarin in the state and would require a restricted materials permit for use. This bill would make a person who sells or uses a first or second-generation anticoagulant rodenticide in violation of the above-described provisions liable for a civil penalty not to exceed \$25,000 per day for each violation. The bill would require recovered civil penalties to be deposited into the Poison-Free Wildlife Account, which the bill would establish in the Wildlife Restoration Fund. The bill has been referred to the Senate Environmental Quality Committee. The hearing date is June 19<sup>th</sup>.

- AB 2745 Ag Pests: Public Nuisance Civil Penalty This bill would authorize the county Agricultural Commissioner to levy a civil penalty against a person who maintains a public nuisance. The bill would require the civil penalty to be in the amount of \$500 for each acre of property found to be in violation and would authorize that amount to be increased to \$1,000 per acre if that nuisance is not rectified within 30 days of issuance of the original civil penalty. The bill has been referred to the Senate Agriculture Committee. The hearing date is June 18<sup>th</sup>.
- AB 2786 Mobile Farmers Markets: This bill would revise the California Retail Food Code to include a mobile farmers market and impose upon the mobile farmers market the uniform health and sanitation standards for mobile food facilities and general food safety requirements. This bill would authorize mobile farmers markets to sell or provide a variety of food, including shell eggs, honey, and refrigerated fresh meats. The bill would authorize a mobile farmers market to be operated by a third party, including a non-profit organization incorporated in California. The bill would also require that agricultural products sold by the mobile farmers market be grown or produced by local farmers, with an emphasis on small to medium sized farms, socially disadvantaged farmers or ranchers, and with food grown using regenerative organic, or other climate-smart practices. The bill would also require packaged agricultural products to be labeled with the name and address of the farm of origin. The bill has been referred to the Senate Health Committee. The hearing date is June 12<sup>th</sup>.

## E. COMMITTEE MEMBER UPDATES

 Morgan Doran – Two new positions within Cooperative Extension have been approved. The Viticulture and Tree Fruit advisor will work from the Sacramento office. The Agronomic Crops advisor will be stationed at the Yolo office. Agricultural Advisory Committee Minutes Meeting date: June 12, 2024

## F. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:29 p.m. The next meeting of the Agricultural Advisory Committee is scheduled for July 10, 2024, at 6:30 p.m.

Meeting minutes prepared by Laura McCready, Agricultural Advisory Committee Clerk, <u>mccreadyl@saccounty.gov</u>

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Ken Oneto, Chair

9/11/24

Date



## COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONER, SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

## INTER OFFICE MEMORANDUM

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