



TAMI RITTER, CHAIR
Supervisor, District #3

ANGEL CALDERON, VICE CHAIR
Councilmember, Gridley

BILL CONNELLY
Supervisor, District #1

PETER DURFEE
Supervisor, District #2

TOD KIMMELSHUE
Supervisor, District #4

DOUG TEETER
Supervisor, District #5

CHUCK NUCHOLS
Vice Mayor, Biggs

ADDISON WINSLOW
Councilmember, Chico

ERIC SMITH
Vice Mayor, Oroville

ROSE TRYON
Vice Mayor, Paradise

STEPHEN ERTLE
Air Pollution Control Officer

PATRICK LUCEY
Assistant Air Pollution Control Officer

Final Minutes of the Butte County Air Quality Management District Governing Board of Directors Meeting of March 28, 2024

Members Present:

Tami Ritter	Supervisor, District 3
Bill Connelly	Supervisor, District 1
Doug Teeter	Supervisor, District 5
Rose Tryon	Councilmember, Town of Paradise
Eric Smith	Vice Mayor, City of Oroville
Addison Winslow	Councilmember, Chico
Tod Kimmelshue	Supervisor, District 4
Angel Calderon	Councilmember, Gridley

Members Absent:

Peter Durfee	Supervisor, District 2
Chuck Nuchols	Vice Mayor, Biggs

Staff Present:

Stephen Ertle	Air Pollution Control Officer (APCO)
Kelly Towne	Clerk of the Board
Aleah Ing	Administrative Services Officer (ASO)
Jason Mandly	Senior Air Quality Planner

Remote Staff:

Samuel Nassie	Air Quality Compliance Specialist
David Campbell	Air Quality Compliance Specialist II
Patrick Lucey	Assistant Air Pollution Control Officer (Asst. APCO)

Others Present:

Cynthia Joy	Magalia Resident
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Others Remote:

Rhianna Dutra
Eric Sharberg

1. Call to Order and Roll Call.

Chair Ritter called the meeting to order at 10:45 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 February 28, 2024 Meeting of the Board of Directors.
- 3.2 Activity Report on Butte County Air Quality Management District Activities.
- 3.3 Financial Status Report Fiscal Year 2023-2024.
- 3.4 Status Report on Calendar of Events.
- 3.5 Status Report on Communications.

ACTION REQUESTED: Approve Consent Agenda Items.

Board comments: None.

Public comments: None.

A motion was made by Supervisor Kimmelshue and seconded by Council member Tryon to approve the Consent Agenda Items.

Motion carries by the following vote:

AYES: Supervisor Ritter, Supervisor Teeter, Supervisor Connelly, Supervisor Kimmelshue(motion), Councilmember Winslow, Councilmember Tryon(second), Councilmember Calderon and Vice Mayor Smith.

NOES: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Supervisor Durfee and Vice Mayor Nuchols.

ITEMS FOR ACTION

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

No items removed from the Consent Agenda.

5. Budget Amendments.

ACTION REQUESTED: Approve budget transfers and amendment for FY 23-24.

The Budget Amendments report was presented by Aleah Ing, Administrative Services Officer.

Board Discussion: None.

Public comments: None.

A motion was made by Councilmember Tryon and seconded by Supervisor Kimmelshue to Approve the Budget Amendments.

Motion carries by the following vote:

AYES: Supervisor Ritter, Supervisor Teeter, Supervisor Connelly, Supervisor Kimmelshue(second), Councilmember Winslow, Councilmember Tryon(motion), Councilmember Calderon and Vice Mayor Smith.

NOES: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Supervisor Durfee and Vice Mayor Nuchols.

6. FARMER Grant Program Policy & Procedure Update.

ACTION REQUESTED: Discuss funding priorities & approve amendments to the District's FARMER Program Policy & Procedure Manual Resolution 2024-03.

The FARMER Grant Program Policy & Procedure Update was presented by Jason Mandly, Senior Air Quality Planner.

Board discussion: Board discussion ensued.

Public comments: None.

A motion was made by Councilmember Tryon and seconded by Supervisor Kimmelshue to Approve Resolution 2024-03 Approval of the Farmer Program and procedure manual for FY 2023-2024 with the addition to the manual that the District caps its grant portion at 65% up to \$100,000.

Motion carries by the following vote:

AYES: Supervisor Ritter, Supervisor Teeter, Supervisor Connelly, Supervisor Kimmelshue(second), Councilmember Winslow, Councilmember Tryon(motion), Councilmember Calderon and Vice Mayor Smith.

NOES: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Supervisor Durfee and Vice Mayor Nuchols.

7. Position Compensation Study Proposal Review and Approve.

ACTION REQUESTED: Receive update on options and provide direction.

The Position Compensation Study Proposal Review and Approve was presented by Stephen Ertle, APCO.

Board discussion: Board discussion ensued.

Public comments: None.

A motion was made by Supervisor Teeter and seconded by Councilmember Winslow to provide direction for a District Compensation study selecting options 2 & 3 which Staff will update a Study from 2021 with benefit information and staff will complete a new study for 2024.

Motion carries by the following vote:

Supervisor Ritter, Supervisor Teeter(motion), Supervisor Connelly, Supervisor Kimmelshue,
AYES: Councilmember Winslow(second), Councilmember Tryon, Councilmember Calderon and Vice Mayor
Smith.
NOES: None.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: Supervisor Durfee and Vice Mayor Nuchols.

8. CEQA Handbook Update Adoption Hearing.

ACTION REQUESTED: After holding a Public Hearing, adopt resolution 2024-04 approving the updates to the CEQA Air Quality Handbook.

The CEQA Handbook Update and Adoption was presented by Jason Mandly, Senior Air Quality Planner.

Board discussion: Board Discussion ensued.

Public comment: None.

Public Hearing closed: 11:35 a.m.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Smith and seconded by Supervisor Kimmelshue to approve Resolution 2024-04 CEQA Air Quality Handbook Update with the caveat that the District can make fact based clarifications including updated links to resources without board approval.

Motion carries by the following vote:

Supervisor Ritter, Supervisor Teeter, Supervisor Connelly, Supervisor Kimmelshue(second),
AYES: Councilmember Winslow, Councilmember Tryon, Councilmember Calderon and Vice Mayor
Smith(motion).
NOES: None.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: Supervisor Durfee and Vice Mayor Nuchols.

ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

9. Ca Health & Safety Code Section 42409 Penalty Limits.

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

The Ca Health & Safety Code Section 42409 Penalty Limits report was presented by Patrick Lucey, Asst. APCO.

Board Discussion: None.

Public Comment: None.

10. APCO Report.

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

See Addendum to the minutes for the report.

Board Discussion: Board discussion ensued.

Public Comment: None.

11. Other Business.

None.

- 12. 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.

Public Comment: Cynthia Joy, resident of the community of Magalia, residing in the POA, addressed the Board on the issue of residential burning in the County area known as Magalia. She expressed concerns that burning is allowed in an area with small lot sizes similar to the City of Chico where burning is not allowed. She asked that it be considered to change burning requirements in that area so that there is fewer potential impacts due to smoke.

- 13. Adjourn to Closed Session.** No closed session was held.

- 14. Report From Closed Session.** None.

- 12. The meeting adjourned at 11:50 a.m. The next Board of Directors Meeting is scheduled for April 25, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. at the Butte County Association of Governments Board Room, 326 Huss Drive, Suite 100, Chico, California.**



Stephen Erte, 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 March 28, 2024.



ATTEST: _____
Kelly Towne, Clerk of the Governing Board

Attachment 1

APCO Report