



Tuolumne County Natural Resources Advisory Committee Minutes

For the Meeting on July 2, 2025

2025 Natural Resource Members (or assigned delegates)	Jan-25	Feb-25	Mar-25	Apr-25	May-25	Jun-25	Jul-25	Aug-25	Sep-25	Oct-25	Nov-25	Dec-25
Anaiah Kirk		✓	✓		✓		✓					
Mike Holland		✓	✓		E		✓					
Don Perkins		✓	✓		✓		✓					
Pete Kampa		✓	✓		✓							
Joy Mellera		E	✓		E		✓					
Dianna Beasley		✓	✓		✓		✓					
Dick Gaiser		✓	✓		✓		✓					
Chris Trott		E	✓		E							
Jim Maddox		✓	✓		✓							
Jim Phelan		E	✓		✓		✓					
Present = ✓ Absent = A Excused = E												

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Chair Kirk called the meeting to order at 10:01 A.M. and confirmed a quorum was present.
2. **MEMBERS PRESENT:** Chair Kirk, Vice Chair Mike Holland, Don Perkins, Joy Mellera, Diana Beasley, Dick Gaiser, Lindsay Mattos, representing TCRCD, and Sean Hembree, Caitlin Henry (staff)
3. **PUBLIC FORUM:** *(The public may speak on any item not on the printed agenda. No action may be taken by the Committee. The amount of time allocated for the public forum is limited to 15 minutes.)*

None
4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**
In consideration of approving the minutes of the meeting held on May 7, Vice Chair Holland made a motion to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded by Chair Kirk. The minutes were approved unanimously.
5. **PARTNER AGENCY UPDATES:**
 - a. none
6. **DISCUSSION OF PROGRAMMATIC CEQA AS AN OPPORTUNITY TO STREAMLINE FUEL MANAGEMENT ENVIRONMENTAL PERMITTING**

- a. Summary: Tuolumne County has been awarded grant funding from Sierra Jobs First to investigate and develop a programmatic CEQA for fuel management projects within the Tuolumne County jurisdiction.
- b. Sean Hembree provided background information and considerations for possible environmental compliance pathways.
- c. Committee Discussion: Members provided comments and clarifying questions to consider in the development of the grant and related objectives.
- d. Public Comment: Acting Fire Safe Council President Karen Caldwell reiterated the importance of coordination between agencies and partners in grant and permitting project development.

a. DISCUSSION OF MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL STRUCTURE

- b. Summary: Membership renewals for some members are due in December 2025. Staff recommendations include:
 - a. Staggering membership terms to maintain legacy committee knowledge and organized succession planning
 - b. Adding TCRCD as an agency-appointed membership in contrast to the Board of Supervisors-appointed individuals
- c. Committee Discussion: The Committee members discussed the items with consensus to bring these modifications when membership renewal is requested from the Board. TCRCD District Manager, Lindsay Mattos, was present at the meeting and in agreement with the proposed membership modification.
- d. Public Comment: None

7. COMMITTEE BUSINESS:

- a. Staff Reports and Recommendations:
 - i. MSA Administrative Analyst, Caitlin Henry, shared an update on recent and planned fuel treatment reforestation work.
 - ii. Sean Hembree reported on:
 - 1. Grant Update
 - 2. Golden State Natural Resources updated DEIR
 - 3. Potential Federal Land Sales legislative update
- b. Committee Member Reports: None

8. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 11:02 by Chair Kirk. The next meeting will be held on August 6, 2025