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# RANGE MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, August 13<sup>th</sup> 2019  
Sacramento, CA

### RMAC Members Present

Chair Marc Horney  
Lesa Osterholm  
Rich Ross  
Andrée Soares

Bart Cremers  
Sheryl Landrum  
Lance Criley  
Don Watson

### RMAC Members Absent

Katie Delbar, ex officio member  
Billie Roney  
John Van Duyn

### RMAC Staff

Brandi Goss  
Matt Dias

### Department Staff

Items appear in the order they were presented on the agenda.

## **Report of Chair Marc Horney and RMAC Staff**

### *Approve July 2019 Minutes*

#### **Motion 08-19-01**

Member Watson moved to approve the July 2019 Meeting Minutes with a friendly amendment from member Andree. Member Landrum seconded the motion.

Amendment: Addition of the sheepherder labor discussion to July's meeting minutes.

#### **Roll Call Vote:**

Criley	Aye
Landrum	Aye
Soares	Aye
Ross	Aye
Watson	Aye
Osterholm	Aye
Horney	Aye

The motion passed unanimously with 3 absences and 1 vacancy.

### *Review of chair Horney's Presentation to the Board of Forestry and Fire Protection*

Marc Horney discussed his presentation to the Board of Forestry and Fire Protection at their July meeting in San Luis Obispo. He discussed recent activities of RMAC including the September workshop, engagement with the water boards, and outreach to CLFA. The Board responded positively to RMAC's activities and look forward to working with RMAC more in the future. Marc plans to report to the Board more frequently in the future.

## **September Workshop Development**

### *Staff updates on responses to invitations*

Ms. Goss discussed updates to the invitation materials for the September Workshop and showed an updated version of the flyer. Ms. Goss also discussed the list of individuals and programs who will be receiving invitations. The list has grown to ~190 contacts.

### *Updates on outline*

Chair Marc Horney discussed some minor changes to the final outline including some changes to phrasing and the addition of two new presenters due to previously selected speakers having prior engagements. Member Osterholm requested an extension of time for the panel introductions.

### *Cal Pac SRM and CRCC Lunch*

Marc Horney discussed the administrative hurdles with regard to providing lunch at the workshop. Matt Dias and the Board's Counsel determined that it would not be appropriate due to RMAC and the Board's roles as public bodies appointed by the Governor. Marc read aloud the email sent from Executive Officer Matt Dias related to Board staff's decision related to providing lunch. Matt Dias attended the meeting as well and discussed the issue with the Committee, indicating that this decision is consistent with the policy and actions of the Board and its Committees. Some

additional options were considered for future projects, including having UCCE host future workshops.

#### *Review of Outreach Materials for Printing*

Ms. Goss went over the outreach materials selected by Marc Horney to distribute at the workshop. Member Osterholm suggested adding the summary of the paper by Dr. Van Butsic to the outreach materials and a 1-page description of CRCC. The Committee agreed that it would be good to include a bibliography with links to additional papers and resources for attendees. Ms. Goss suggested including links to the CalVTP website and Chair Horney suggested including some information about silvopasture.

### **Facilitation of professional interactions between CRMs and RPFs**

#### *RPF outreach presentation: grazing as a tool for fuels management, review of draft PowerPoint*

Mr. Dias provided a brief update on the types and progress of fuel reduction projects through CAL FIRE, including the 35 projects related to the Governor's executive order N-05-19.

Ms. Goss discussed the long-term goal of facilitating additional future workshops with attendance by RPFs and CRMs through Cal Pac SRM and CLFA and similar organizations to carry forward the spirit of collaboration between these groups. The Committee discussed some additions to the draft PowerPoint, including additional case studies and images (what can be accomplished with grazing), specific fires that are relevant to the areas where grazing is effective, and some changes in phrasing. The Committee discussed some of the challenges of implementing grazing, such as fencing, and many of the benefits, including carbon sequestration and reduced use of herbicides on forested landscapes.

### **Shepherd Labor**

#### *Discussion of possible actions by RMAC*

Chair Horney summarized the discussions that were had between staff, Mr. Dias, Board Counsel, and himself related to possible actions that RMAC might take with respect to this issue. Mr. Dias emphasized that legislation is not an appropriate topic for RMAC to address directly unless they receive a request for consultation or bill analysis. Chair Horney suggested that RMAC pass this information along to Luke Macaulay with UCCE whose expertise are in issues of Policy and Economics.

### **Updates from Partner Organizations & Public Forum**

Cole Bush suggested that workshops or an education program be established to be implemented by the RCDs or UCCE staff.