# RCRC BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

May 17, 2024



## ACTION ITEM

The RCRC Board of Directors:

• Approved the 2023 RCRC audited financial statements

#### MESSAGE BOARD

The 2024 Meeting Schedule can be accessed <u>here</u>.

The Travel Expense Claim can be accessed <u>here</u>. Please complete and submit your claim to <u>mchui@rcrcnet.org</u>.

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The Rural County Representatives of California (RCRC) Board of Directors meeting took place on Friday, May 17<sup>th</sup> in Monterey County. The RCRC Board of Directors reviewed many issues, and the following are highlights:

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

## <u>Approval of Audited Financial Statements – December 31, 2023 - APPROVED</u>

The RCRC Board of Directors approved the 2023 RCRC audited financial statements. The memo can be accessed <u>here</u>. The audited financial statements can be accessed <u>here</u>.

Other key informational items of interest on the Consent Agenda:

Rural County Photo Contest (memo); Water Issues Update (memo); Forest Management and Wildfire Update (memo); and, California Public Utilities Commission Update (memo).

## **FRRCC UPDATE**

Supervisor EJ Crandell (Lake County), a member of the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Farm, Ranch, and Rural Communities Federal Advisory Committee (FRRCC), shared EPA's response to FRRCC's recommendations.

FRRCC's letter can be accessed <a href="here">here</a>, and the recommendations can be accessed <a href=here</a>. The response letter from EPA Administrator Michael S. Regan can be accessed <a href=here</a>.

## **President's Report**

Patrick Blacklock, President and CEO, provided a report on recent activities the organization is engaged in that align with the RCRC Strategic Plan. The presentation can be accessed <a href="here">here</a>.

### **BUSINESS AND ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS**

## 2024 Annual Meeting Overview

The RCRC 2024 Annual Meeting is scheduled to occur September 18-20, 2024, in Sonoma County at the Doubletree by Hilton, Sonoma Wine Country.

The processes for registration, the county basket drawing and auction, sponsorship opportunities, and a special wine tasting competition, was provided. The memo and details can be accessed <u>here</u>.

#### **GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS**

## **State and Federal Legislative Update**

Mary-Ann Warmerdam, Senior Vice President Governmental Affairs, and Sarah Dukett, Policy Advocate, provided an update on issues being addressed at the state level. At the state level, an update was provided on key legislation, and the Governor's 2024-25 May Revision. The *Rural Rundown of the Governor's 2024-25 May Revision* can be accessed here. The memo can be accessed here.

## **RCRC Strategic Plan Development**

RCRC is currently in the final year of implementing its strategic plan. RCRC will develop a new strategic plan for 2025-2027 throughout this calendar year. As a result, the RCRC Board of Directors engaged in an activity focused on the new strategic plan, gathering input for its development. RCRC staff will review the feedback received during the engagement process and share the findings with the Board Members at the meeting scheduled for July 24<sup>th</sup>. The memo can be accessed <a href="here">here</a>. The presentation can be accessed <a href="here">here</a>.

Please refer to the RCRC Board Packet for further details related to the items above, as well as other items covered during the meeting. The RCRC Board Packet can be accessed <a href="https://example.com/here-tems/here-tems/">here-tems/