

MARIPOSA COUNTY RESOURCE CONSERVATION of the Board of Directors MINUTES

Date: Wednesday, September 2, 2026 @ 2:00 PM

Location: Conference Room at the Ag. Commissioner's Office, 5009 Fairground Rd.,
Mariposa, CA 95338

Directors Present: David Mecchi, Lyle Turpin, Wayne Kelly, John Carrier, Don Smith.

Directors Absent:

Associate Directors Present: None

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Staff Present: Melinda Barrett, Emma Copello

Guests:

Call to Order:

Meeting called to order at 1:56 PM by MCRCD President David Mecchi.

Public Communication:

None.

Minutes:

- August 2026
 - Motion: John Carrier
 - Second: Don Smith
 - Ayes: David Mecchi, John Carrier, Wayne Kelly, Lyle Turpin, Don Smith
 - Nays: None

Motion Approved

Correspondence:

- Thank you letter from TOPS group

Special Guest:

- None

IRWMP: Verbal report by Melinda Barrett

- Reallotment of Prop 4 money

MCRCD: Verbal report by Emma Copello

Directors' Reports:

Lyle Turpin: Verbal report

Wayne Kelly: Verbal report

John Carrier: Verbal report

David Mecchi: Verbal report

Subcommittee Reports:

Personnel:

None.

Finance:

- None

Grants:

- Applied for CCI and WCB Grants, Awaiting response
- Monarch grant is coming to a close soon

Home Hardening Program:

- None
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Unfinished Business:

We have decided to leave the county banking and are speaking with banks about opening accounts and payroll options.

Action Items:

Audits 2023-2026

Decided to postpone audits and explore other options

- Motion: Wayne Kelly
- Second: John Carrier
- Ayes: David Mecchi, John Carrier, Wayne Kelly, Lyle Turpin, Don Smith
- Nays: None

Motion Approved

PG&E: WVF

Decided to remove logo from WVF Since it was never decided on by the board

- Motion: Lyle Turnpin
- Second: Don Smith
- Ayes: David Mecchi, John Carrier, Wayne Kelly, Lyle Turpin, Don Smith
- Nays: None

Motion Approved

Adjournment:

Meeting adjourned at 3:45 PM.

Motion: Don Smith

Second: Wayne Kelly

Ayes: David Mecchi, John Carrier, Wayne Kelly, Lyle Turpin, Don Smith

Nays: None

Motion Approved

Submitted by: Emma Copello

Date Approved: 10/7/2026

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MCRCD Mission Statement

The mission of the Mariposa County Resource Conservation District is to encourage and facilitate cooperative solutions to local resource conservation issues and projects. By providing leadership, MCRCD works with all stakeholders to conserve Mariposa County's natural resources. The district offers technical assistance to landowners, educational outreach, grant writing, and collaboration with agencies and community organizations.
