

# North Santa Clara Resource Conservation District (NSCRCD)

*An independent special district of the State of California*

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## Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors

Wednesday, January 8, 2026, at 5:45 p.m.

### ACTION MINUTES

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Closed session was held in-person only. Online access to the meeting began with opening of regular agenda.

#### Call to Order:

1.1 *Determination of Quorum:* The meeting was called to order by President Maitski. Directors present: President Frank Maitski, Vice President Gerardo Ixteyo Loera, and Directors Gail Bautista, Jeannie Entin, and Matt Roben. Executive staff present: District Manager/District Clerk Stephanie Moreno and District Counsel Julie Gantenbein.

1.2 *Government Code 54953.8:* No requests received for a Director to participate remotely utilizing the *Just Cause* provisions of the Brown Act.

2. **Closed Session Meeting Agenda:** Discussion and action to approve the closed session agenda as presented or amended.

*Motion: Approve the closed session agenda as presented. (Entin/Bautista; 5-0-0)*

3. **Public Comment – Closed Session Items:** None

#### 4. Closed Session:

4.1 *Conference with Real Property Negotiators (Government Code §54956.8; 1 item)*

*Property:* 21551 Shillingsburg, San José, CA

*Agency Negotiator:* District Manager Stephanie Moreno

*Negotiating parties:* Linming Jin and Junping Zheng

*Under negotiation:* Lease Agreement (price and terms of payment)

4.2 *Public Employee Performance Evaluation (Government Code §54957; 1 item)*

*Title:* District Manager/District Clerk

5. **Report from Closed Session:** Regarding Item 4.1, it was reported that the Board met with property negotiator and there was no reportable action. Regarding Item 4.2, it was reported that the Board concluded a performance evaluation for District Manager/District Clerk Moreno.

6. **Regular Session Meeting Agenda:** Agenda was approved as presented by consensus.

7. **Public Comment – Matters Not on the Agenda:** None

#### 8. Consent Agenda:

*Motion: Approve the consent agenda as presented. (Entin/Bautista; 5-0-0)*

9. **Partner Reports:** Genevieve Yip, Valley Water, made a program announcement and will send the flyer to District Manager Moreno.

#### 10. Administration:

10.1 *California Association of Resource Conservation District (CARCD):* Update given regarding CARCD events and activities.

10.2 *Legislative Report:* Update given regarding legislative changes that may affect District operations in 2026, including changes to the Brown Act.

10.3 *Domain Name:*

*Motion: Authorize the District Manager to apply for a 3<sup>rd</sup>-level "ca.gov" domain name for the District website. (Roben/Entin; 5-0-0)*

**11. Programs and Projects:**

11.1 *Santa Clara County Rural Zoning Amendments:* The Board agreed it was appropriate for the District to provide assistance upon request to rural landowners potentially impacted by the proposed changes.

11.2 *Los Gatos Creek Watershed Restoration Project:*

*Motion: Authorize the District Manager to initiate new grant application(s) in collaboration with the South Bay Clean Creeks Coalition to secure funding for the Los Gatos Creek Spawning Gravel Augmentation and Fish Passage. (Maitski/Roben; 5-0-0)*

**12. Board Member, Associate Director, Committee, and Executive Director Reports:** President Maitski reported he would be out for the next meeting.

**13. New Business/Items for Next Agenda:** Long range plan update and cost allocation plan.

**14. Meeting Adjourned**

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**Consent Agenda Items**

*Action Items:*

- 8.1 Approve minutes for the November 5, 2025 Regular Board meeting.
- 8.2 Authorize the District Manager to execute all documents for *Contract for Services, Agreement #2026-AK-5* with the Solano Resource Conservation District for reimbursement for co-coordinator services and member participation provided for the Greater Bay Area Conservation Hub (GBACH) by the Carbon Cycle Institute (CCI).
- 8.3 Designate President Maitski and Vice President Loera as the District's Labor Negotiators for Calendar Year 2026.
- 8.4 Authorize reimbursement of one day conference pass and travel reimbursement (excluding lodging) for Conservation Program Coordinator Peng to attend the Wednesday session of the 2026 EcoConference in Pacific Grove, CA (estimated \$290.00).
- 8.5 Receive FY 2025-26 Annual Work Plan mid-year report from District Manager.
- 8.6 Receive FY 2025-30 Long Range Plan progress report from District Manager.

*Information Only:*

- 8.7 Secretary of USDA letter to Governor Newsom; concerns with the California Agricultural Land Equity Task Force draft report; letter dated December 11, 2025.
- 8.8 Superior Court of California County of Santa Clara; *Civil Grand Jury Recruitment for 2026-27*; dated December 24, 2025.
- 8.9 County of Santa Clara Finance Agency; *Distribution from the Redevelopment Property Tax Trust Fund (RPTTF; San José)*; dated January 2, 2026.
- 8.10 County of Santa Clara Finance Agency; *Distribution from the Redevelopment Property Tax Trust Fund (RPTTF; Los Gatos)*; dated January 2, 2026.
- 8.11 State Water Resources Control Board; *Notice of Opportunity to Comment 2025-2030 Nonpoint Source Program Implementation Plan*; February 12, 2026 deadline for receipt of comment letters.