

Glenn County Climate Smart Ag Committee
A Standing Committee of Glenn County RCD

Monday, June 24, 2024

3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m

**Glenn County Resource Conservation District
USDA Willows Service Center
132 N. Enright Avenue, Suite C
Willows, CA 95988**

In attendance committee members:

Chair – Lisa Humphreys, Manager, Glenn County Farm Bureau

Vice Chair – Brint Foster, Certified Crop Advisor & Compost Solutions, Inc.

Marcie Skelton, Ag Commissioner, Glenn County Ag Department

Eduardo Briones, Farmer/Rancher & SDFR

Absent committee members:

Mike Vereshchagin, Vereschagin Farms, Inc.

Betsy Karle, County Director, UCCE-Glenn County

Mike Landini, Glenn County RCD

In attendance partners / staff:

Kristin Guy, District Conservationist, USDA-NRCS

Lizzeth Mendoza, Climate Smart Ag & Community Education Specialist II, UCCE-Glenn County

Kandi Manhart-Belding, Executive Officer, Glenn County RCD

Ritta Martin, Finance Officer, Glenn County RCD (acting Project Coordinator)

Kellie Wilson-Burt, Program Specialist, Glenn County RCD

Agenda

1. Call to Order

Chair Lisa Humphreys called the meeting to order at 3:35 p.m.

2. Welcome & Introductions

Chair Lisa Humphreys welcomed attendees and introductions ensued.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT (limit 5 minutes): *Any person wishing to address the committee on items not on the agenda may do so at this time. The committee will not make decisions or determinations on items brought up during Public Comment.*

None.

4. ACTION * Discussion and possible action to approve meeting minutes from February 29, 2024

Marcie Skelton made a motion to accept the meeting minutes as presented. Brint Foster seconded. Approved.

**5. Presentation:
SWEEP Block Grant, Overview of Review Processes + Steps Completed + Statistics**

Ritta Martin provided presentation. Discussion ensued.

6. SWEEP Block Grant – Budget Overview

Ritta Martin provided budget overview. Discussion ensued.

7. ACTION * Discussion and possible action to recommend SWEEP projects for funding to Glenn County RCD Board of Directors

Staff presented SWEEP projects for funding recommendation. Discussion ensued. Brint Foster made a motion to accept recommendation of the SWEEP projects for funding to Glenn County RCD Board of Directors as presented; total to fund Regular \$3,025,811.72 and SDFRs \$1,054,913.57 per total scores as ranked. Marcie Skelton seconded. Approved.

*This item will be presented to the Glenn County RCD Board of Directors for consideration of approval on July 15, 2024

**8. Presentation:
HSP Block Grant, Overview of Review Process + Steps Completed + Statistics**

Ritta Martin provided presentation. Discussion ensued.

9. HSP Block Grant – Budget Overview

Ritta Martin provided budget overview. Discussion ensued.

Chair Lisa Humphreys exited meeting.

10. ACTION * Discussion and possible action to recommend review processes for HSP proposed projects/applications

Staff presented options for HSP technical reviews. Discussion ensued. The 64 applications have gone through a level one administrative review. A level two technical review will be performed by those willing to assist in the review. It was noted, should there be a tie in scores, those projects that have higher GHG savings will advance over those projects that have lower GHG savings. No action taken.

11. Project Outreach – Update

Staff presented update. Discussion ensued. Additional outreach will occur only if needed to meet CDFA requirements; grant goals and objectives.

12. Review, Next Steps, and Schedule Next Meeting

- Next step: present SWEEP projects to Glenn County RCD Board of Directors for award
- Next step: HSP technical review
- Next meeting: July 29, 2024

Other:

- CDFA is accepting proposals for new practices, CDFA's HSP incentives program. Interest was raised in 'integrated grazing' or livestock in orchards.

- Future agenda topics: Biomass, Co-generation, Air Curtain Burners to address, proactively, air pollution.

13. Adjournment

Vice Chair Brint Foster adjourned the meeting at 5:01 p.m.

Approved on Monday, July 29, 2024, by the Glenn County Climate Smart Ag Committee.

Attested by,



Lisa Humphreys, Chair



**Kandi Manhart-Belding, Executive Officer
Glenn County Resource Conservation District**

Items Attached: NONE