



# AGRICULTURAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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Ken Oneto – Orchards, Vineyards, Row Crops  
Brad van Loben Sels – Farm Management  
Jim Vietheer – Livestock  
Michael Wackman – Natural Resources; Wineries

## Agricultural Advisory Committee

### Meeting Minutes of

January 10, 2018

6:30 pm

Giant Sequoia Room  
4137 Branch Center Rd.  
Sacramento, California 95827

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Agricultural Advisory Committee Chair Ken Oneto called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Steve Campbell, Doug Dransfield, Brian Fishback, Charlotte Mitchell, Ken Oneto, Brad van Loben Sels, Jim Vietheer, and Michael Wackman

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Chuck Ingels

**STAFF PRESENT:** Juli Jensen (Agriculture Commissioner), Chris Flores (Chief Deputy Agricultural Commissioner), Diana Acosta (Deputy Agricultural Commissioner), and Laura McCready (Clerk of the Committee)

**ALSO PRESENT:** Henry Buckwalter – FML, Chris Frieders – Joe Green Ranch, Topper Van Loben Sels – Amistad Ranches, Gary Mello, Bill Stokes, Terry Gage – CAAA, Doug Thiel – CAAA/Thiel Air Care, Karen Allen – Alexander Ag Flying Service, Lance Clothier, Paul Squires – Squires Ag Consulting, Richard Elliott – David J Elliott & Son, Jack Mast – Kay Dix, Travis Gill – Matsuda's Nursery, Matt Hemly – Greene & Hemly, Bill Bird – Sacramento County Farm Bureau, George Gough – Monsanto Company, Richard Samra, Wallace Chan, Topher Chan – LCF, Beatrix Treiterer – Stone Lakes NWR, Doug Hemly – Greene & Hemly, Ryan Elliot – Stillwater Orchards, Jason Mast – Monsanto, Adam Tavares – Monsanto, Kevin Sorensen – Crop Production Services, Jaime Ramirez – Crop Production Services

#### 2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA – January 10, 2018

The January agenda was presented to the Board for approval. Brian Fishback motioned to approve the agenda and was seconded by Michael Wackman. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

#### 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – December 7, 2017

The December Committee Meeting minutes were presented to the Board for approval. Brian Fishback motioned to approve the minutes as presented. It was seconded by Charlotte Mitchell. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

4. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

The following individuals gave public comment to address Action Item A. Sacramento County Pesticide Application Drift Prevention Conditions Draft: Topper van Loben Sels, Terry Gage, Doug Thiel, Larry Hunn, Paul Squires, Chris Frieders, Henry Buckwalter, Beatrix Treiterer, George Gough, Adam Tavares, Doug Hemly, and Jason Mast.

5. **ACTION ITEMS**

A. **Sacramento County Pesticide Application Drift Prevention Conditions Draft:** Juli Jensen presented Pesticide Application Drift Prevention Conditions to the Committee. The Conditions were reviewed, amended, and a motion to approve the amended Conditions was made by Charlotte Mitchell and seconded by Steve Campbell. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote. See attached amended Pesticide Application Drift Prevention Conditions.

B. **Agricultural Advisory Committee Bylaws:** Chris Flores presented draft bylaws for the Committee to review and approve. Minor corrections were made to section VII by striking out 'ad-hoc.' A motion to approve the Bylaws as amended was made by Brian Fishback and seconded by Brad van Loben Sels. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

6. **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

A. **Pesticides and Schools Update:** Juli Jensen provided a handout from CalAgPermits explaining the new notification option on the website.

B. **Natomas Unified School District Paso Verde School (PLNP 2017-00313) Update:** Chris Flores gave a summary on what is happening with the Natomas School District pushing out the urban service boundary. Chris Flores submitted a comment letter to the Sacramento County Planning and Environmental Review Department regarding the proposed expansion.

C. **Legislative Update:** Juli Jensen presented some current Senate and Assembly bills to the Committee.

1. AB1419 – will allow the Department of Pesticide Regulation (DPR) to issue fines up to \$25,000. The maximum fine amount at the County level is \$5,000.

2. SB829 – Farmworker housing.

3. SB623 – Safe drinking water. This was included in the governor's budget this year, along with \$21 million for the CDFA Cannabis budget.

D. **Sacramento County Agricultural Commissioner Report:** Juli Jensen updated the Committee on what is going on in the Department. The Department is running a State-wide call center for the canine detection teams in California. A sterile medfly was found in an Asian Citrus Psyllid (ACP) trap. Crop Report surveys are being sent out to the growers to get data for the 2017 Crop Report. Chris Flores and Juli Jensen attended a workshop on agro-terrorism. Two inspectors from the Department will be attending the California Association of Standards and Agricultural Professionals (CASAP) Conference in Rohnert Park January 10-12. The 2018 Weights and Measures seals have arrived and will be seen on gas pumps and scales around the County.

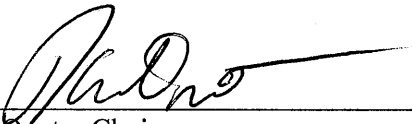
E. **Committee Member Comments:** Michael Wackman suggested that the Committee work on formalizing a public comment policy. Parli Pro Basics was also suggested as an agenda topic for a future meeting. It was requested by the Committee members to have the Clerk send a meeting reminder via text or phone call the day before the meeting. A reminder was also given not to 'Reply All' on an email.

7. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m. The next meeting of the Agricultural Advisory Committee will be held on March 14, 2018 at 6:30 p.m.

Meeting minutes prepared by Laura McCready, Ag Advisory Committee Clerk,  
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**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

  
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Ken Oneto, Chair

3/14/18  
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Date

# Sacramento County 2018 Pesticide Aerial Application Drift Prevention Conditions – DRAFT (Updated 1/10/18)

The County Agricultural Commissioner has the authority, under California Food and Agriculture Code Section 14006.6, to require a permit for a non-restricted pesticide if the pesticide cannot be used under local conditions without presenting an “undue hazard”. The following permit conditions are hereby placed on the following list of pesticides, within the specified Delta Area described below, to help mitigate the possibility of off-target movement, of these pesticides, to nearby sensitive sites. These conditions will be reviewed for effectiveness and impacts by the Agricultural Commissioner on/or near September 1, 2018.

## **Conditioned Pesticides for Aerial Applications:**

Carfentrazone (i.e. Shark®)  
Oxyfluorfen (i.e. Goal®)  
Paraquat dichloride\* (i.e. Gramoxone SL 2.0, Paraquat 3SL)  
Pyraflufen ethyl (i.e. ET Herbicide)  
Glyphosate (i.e. RoundUp)

\*The herbicides designated above with an asterisk (\*) are California Restricted Materials (3CCR 6400) and require a California Restricted Materials Permit for possession and use in all areas of the County throughout the entire year. Other Permit Conditions for these California Restricted Materials will apply, as well.

## **The following conditions shall only apply to the Delta Area described below:**

- That portion of Sacramento County bounded by a line beginning at the junction of the Sacramento River and Cache slough; thence in a northerly direction following the meanderings of Steamboat Slough to its junction with Sutter Slough near Sutter Island; thence north along Sutter Slough to its junction with the Sacramento River near Courtland; thence northerly along the Sacramento River to the southwesterly corner of the Sacramento City limits at Cosumnes River Blvd; thence north east along Cosumnes River Blvd to the junction with Interstate Highway 5; thence following Interstate Highway 5 in a southeastern direction to its intersection with the Mokelumne River; thence following the Mokelumne River in a west, southwesterly direction to its junction with the North Fork of the Mokelumne River; thence following the North Fork of the Mokelumne River in a west, southwesterly direction (Sacramento/San Joaquin County line) to its intersection with Interstate Highway 12; thence following Interstate Highway 12 in a northwesterly direction to its intersection with the Sacramento River; thence northeasterly along the Sacramento River to the point of beginning. (See Map; Attachment A)

**Conditions for Aerial Applications within described Delta Area:**

1. Aerial applications of the aforementioned pesticides are not allowed within the Delta Area (described above) between February 1 and June 1 of each calendar year, unless expressly granted, in writing, by the Agricultural Commissioner.
2. Between June 2<sup>nd</sup> and January 31<sup>st</sup>, the following conditions shall apply to aerial applications of the “conditioned pesticides” within the Delta Area:
  - a. The pesticides listed above, must be listed on a County Restricted Materials Permit, prior to purchase and/or use.
  - b. A Notice of Intent shall be submitted at least 24 hours prior to the proposed application of the pesticides listed above, in accordance with the California Code of Regulations (CCR) Section 6434.
  - c. No application may begin prior to one (1) hour after sunrise and must be completed one (1) hour before sunset.
  - d. No application shall occur within or during a temperature inversion. The presence or absence of a temperature inversion shall be determined by one of the methods below (Note: Temperature inversion data shall be maintained by the applicator and made available to the Ag Commissioner upon request.)
    - i. By use of the California Air Resources Board “A.M. Stability” factor, at the following website;  
[https://www.arb.ca.gov/aqmis2/met/see\\_burn\\_info.php?date=2007-9-11](https://www.arb.ca.gov/aqmis2/met/see_burn_info.php?date=2007-9-11) Or,
    - ii. Use of SMAQMD ceilometer for inversion measurement or,
    - iii. Applicators shall employ a smoke column. The smoke column, vertically oriented, or other method or device satisfactory to the Commissioner at the time and place of application shall indicate to the applicator any temperature inversions and the direction and velocity of air flow. Any use of smoke must be in accordance with any applicable local air pollution rules or regulations. – SMAQMD does not support
  - e. Applications may only occur during wind speeds of three (3) to ten (10) miles per hour, as measured from a height of 4 feet above the ground. The applicator shall record wind speed and direction, prior to and at least every hour during the application. These wind speed and direction records shall be retained by the applicator with pesticide use

records (CCR 6624) and made available to the Ag Commissioner upon request.

- f. No application shall be made or continued if the material is unable to be confined to the target area.

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