

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

**Meeting Minutes**  
**Tuesday, July 1, 2025**  
**1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.**

Hosted by / Location:  
Glenn County Resource Conservation District (RCD)  
USDA Willows Service Center  
132 N. Enright Avenue, Suite C  
Willows, CA 95988

**ATTENDANCE:**

**Committee members:**

Lisa Humphreys, Manager, Glenn County Farm Bureau **(Chair)**  
Brint Foster, Certified Crop Advisor, Compost Solutions, Inc. **(Vice Chair)**  
Betsy Karle, Advisor, UC Cooperative Extension - Glenn County  
Marcie Skelton, Ag Commissioner, Glenn County Department of Agriculture  
Eduardo Briones, Farmer/Rancher  
Mike Vereschagin, Farmer/Rancher, Vereschagin Farms, Inc.

**Absent Committee Members:**

Mike Landini, Director, Glenn County RCD

**Partners / Staff / Other:**

Lizzeth Mendoza, Climate Smart Ag & Community Education Specialist II, UCCE-Glenn County  
Becky Wheeler-Dykes, Orchard Systems/Weed Ecology Farm Advisor, UCCE  
Kandi Manhart, Executive Officer, Glenn County RCD  
Ritta Martin, Finance Officer, Glenn County RCD (acting Project Coordinator)  
Samantha Lopriato, Rangeland Conservation Specialist, Glenn County RCD  
Kellie Wilson-Burt, Program Specialist, Glenn County RCD

**MEETING MINUTES**

**1. Call to Order**

Chair Lisa Humphreys called the meeting to order at 1:05 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.***

No public comments were presented or heard.

4. **ACTION ITEM: Discussion and possible action to approve meeting minutes from April 16, 2025**

Member Betsy Karle made a motion to approve the April 16, 2025 meeting minutes as presented; whereby, Vice Chairperson Brint Foster seconded the motion. Motion approved.

5. **Update on State Water Efficient & Enhancement Program (SWEEP) Block Grant**

Finance Officer / Acting Project Coordinator, Ritta Martin, provided an update on the SWEEP projects funded through the Block Grant:

- A. 29 projects - \$4,506,756.18
- B. To date: \$3,678,878.28 has been distributed
- C. 12 projects fully completed!

*Guidance given to staff to proceed with additional solicitation for 1-3 new projects, to be funded with excess Admin & TA funds (via budget amendment)*

6. **Update on Healthy Soils Program (HSP) Block Grant**

Finance Officer / Acting Project Coordinator, Ritta Martin, provided an update on the HSP projects funded through the Block Grant:

- A. 45 projects - \$4,412,696.29
- B. To date: \$1,44,653.64 has been distributed

*Guidance given to staff to proceed with additional solicitation for 1-3 Whole Orchard Recycling, to be funded with excess Admin & TA funds (via budget amendment)*

7. **Update on Conservation Plans / Carbon Farm Plans / Pollinator Habitat Plans**

Staff provided update on conservations plans to be completed. Discussion ensued.

8. **Workshop / Outreach Plan for 2025 / 2026 / 2026**

Discussion ensued.

9. **Future Grant Opportunities**

Discussion ensued.

10. **Meeting Review, Next Steps, and Schedule Next Meeting**

Member Betsy Karle gave notice to the committee that due to her leaving on a sabbatical, Becky Wheeler-Dykes would be taking her place on the committee.

Consensus to rename to Glenn County Ag Committee.

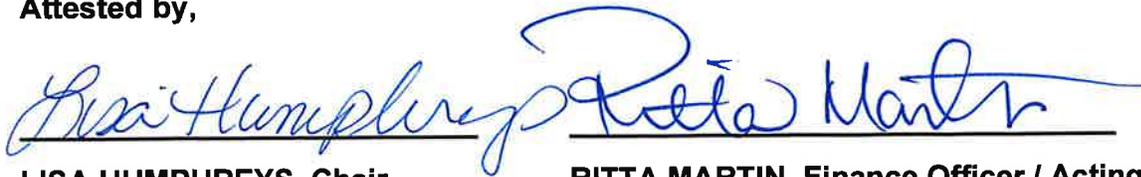
Next meeting to be held Tuesday August 12, 2025 at 2:00 p.m.

11. **Adjournment**

Chair Lisa Humphreys adjourned the meeting at 2:42 p.m.

**Approved on Tuesday, August 12, 2025, by the Glenn County Climate Smart Ag Committee.**

**Attested by,**



**LISA HUMPHREYS, Chair**

**RITTA MARTIN, Finance Officer / Acting  
Project Coordinator**

**Items Attached: NONE**