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# **COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE**

## **TRANSPORTATION AND LAND MANAGEMENT AGENCY**



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## **RIVERSIDE COUNTY HABITAT CONSERVATION AGENCY**

### **MINUTES**

Monday, June 24, 2002  
10:00 a.m.

Riverside County Administrative Center  
Kay Cenicerros Board Room  
4080 Lemon Street – Fourteenth Floor  
Riverside, CA 92501

**PRESENT:** Robin Reeser Lowe, RCHCA Chair, City of Hemet  
Supervisor Bob Buster, County of Riverside  
Ms. Laura Pearson, City of Riverside  
Ms. Janice Rudman, City of Corona  
Mark Yarbrough, City of Perris  
Bob Schiffner, City of Lake Elsinore  
Mr. Bill Batey, City of Moreno Valley  
Carolyn Syms Luna, Executive Director  
Karin Watts-Bazan, Legal Counsel  
Michelle Ouellette, Best, Best & Krieger

#### **1. CALLED TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

The meeting was called to order by Robin Reeser Lowe at 10:10 a.m.

Roll call of the RCHCA Board of Directors showed seven member agencies present, with the cities of Murrieta and Temecula being absent.

**2. OPENING COMMENTS – Board Members**

No comments were offered.

**3. PUBLIC COMMENT**

No comments were offered.

**4. MINUTE APPROVAL**

4.1 Approval of minutes for the meeting of July 2, 2001  
(Continued from January 18, 2002)

**MOTION:** Janice Rudman motioned for approval.  
**Seconded** by Bill Batey

**Motion: Ayes - 6**  
**None opposed**  
**1 abstention City of Riverside**

4.2 Approval of minutes for the meeting of January 18, 2002

**MOTION:** Janice Rudman motioned for approval.  
**Seconded** by Bill Batey

**Motion: Ayes – 6**  
**None opposed**  
**1 abstention City of Riverside**

**5. CONSENT CALENDAR:** Presented for block approval: Board Members have the option of excluding discussion items from a master motion.

- 5.1 Status of Mitigation Fee Transfers from Member Agencies
- 5.2 RHCA Financial Report through May 2002
- 5.3 Update on the Reserve Management Coordinating Committee (RMCC)
- 5.4 Federal BLM Assembled Land Exchange
- 5.5 RCHCA Financial Audit for the Year End June 2001

Carolyn Syms Luna, Executive Director, offered staff report and presentation relative to the above items.

**MOTION:** Janice Rudman motioned for block approval of all items.  
**Seconded** by Bill Batey

**Motion: Ayes - 7**  
**None opposed**

6. **POLICY CALENDAR:** Presented for block approval: Board Members have option of excluding discussion items from a master motion.

6.1 FY2002/2003 Budget

**MOTION:** Bob Buster motioned for approval of item 6.1  
**SECONDED** by Janice Rudman

**Motion: Ayes - 7  
None opposed**

6.2 Request from SDG&E for permission to conduct surveys for the Valley Rainbow Interconnect Project concerning APN's 467-100-036, 039, 043, 052, and 055

Carolyn Syms Luna gave a staff report regarding SDG&E's request to conduct surveys within Southwest Riverside County, specifically the Valley Rainbow Interconnect Project. The RCHCA owns land in the region and suggested that consideration of impacts should be considered. In addition, two local organizations, Oakridge Home Owners Association and Save Southwestern Riverside County are noted as taking an opposition to the request by SDG&E.

Gail Wanczuk-Barton, property owner, advised the Board that she had received correspondence from SDG&E whereby they notified her that they would be accessing her property. Ms. Barton added that the need for the route has not been determined and stated her opposition due to property conservation efforts. The Board held further discussion prior to formalizing direction by way of a vote.

**MOTION:** Bill Batey motioned for denial of access to conduct any surveys pending specific information having been received from SDG&E, i.e., plan and legal acceptability to staff.

**SECONDED** by Robin Reeser Lowe

**Motion: Ayes – 2  
Opposed – 5**

**(Opposed jurisdictions noted as: County of Riverside, City of Corona, City of Lake Elsinore, City of Temecula, City of Perris, City of Riverside)**

**MOTION:** Supervisor Buster motioned for authorization of the survey within reason, without impacts and with legal sufficiency.

**SECONDED** by Mark Yarbrough

**Motion: Ayes – 6  
Opposed - 1**

**(Opposed jurisdiction noted as: City of Moreno Valley)**

## 7. CLOSED SESSION

Robin Reeser Lowe motioned for the Board to go into closed session at 10:40 a.m. to consider matters of litigation and property negotiations. The motion was seconded by Janice Rudman.

With respect to every item of business to be discussed in closed session pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9:

A. Conference with legal counsel – existing litigation:

1. Lockheed Martin Corporation v. Riverside County Habitat Conservation Agency et al. Riverside County Superior Court Case No. 2880025

No reportable actions taken

2. Lockheed Martin Corporation v. U.S. Department of the Interior, et al. Central District Case No. EDV97-97-0051 RT (VAPx)

No reportable actions taken

3. One potential litigation case.

No reportable actions taken

## 8. ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Mark Yarbrough to adjourn at 11:20, with a second being offered by Bill Batey.