

***Regular Minutes of the Board of Trustees of the Butte County Mosquito and Vector Control
District Meeting held July 8, 2026***

Members Present: Darlene Fredericks, Andy Haymond, Hank Irick, Assistant Secretary Bruce Johnson, Vice President Dr. Larry Kirk, Steve Ostling, Secretary Melissa Schuster, Carl Starkey, President Bo Sheppard, and Eric Smith.

Members Excused: Philip LaRocca.

Members Absent: None.

Also Present: District Manager Matt Ball, Administrative Manager Maritza Sandoval, Entomologist Amanda Bradford, and Kyle Tankard of SCI.

1. The Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Butte County Mosquito and Vector Control District held on July 8, 2026, at 444 Otterson Drive, Chico, CA 95928.
2. The July 8, 2026, Butte County Mosquito and Vector Control District regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was called to order at 4:00 PM by President Sheppard.
3. Seeing and hearing no persons wishing to address the Board on items not on the agenda, President Sheppard proceeded to request approval of the minutes.
4. After review, it was then moved by Member Starkey, seconded by Member Kirk and passed unanimously with a vote of 10 ayes and 0 nays to approve the minutes of the Board of Trustees meeting held June 10, 2026, as written.
5. No persons wishing to address the Board on closed session matters.
6. No closed session matters needing legal counsel.
7. Under item 7, at 4:01 PM President Sheppard opened the public hearing regarding Resolution No. 26-03, a Resolution of the Board of Trustees of the Butte County Mosquito and Vector Control District, a resolution approving the Engineer's Reports, confirming the assessment diagram and assessment, and ordering the levy of assessments for fiscal year 2026-2027 for the Mosquito, Vector and Disease Control Assessment. The District Manager and Kyle Tankard provided a report and explained the process of Proposition 218. After the public hearing was closed at 4:06 PM, it was then moved by Member Johnson, seconded by Member Kirk, and passed unanimously with a vote of 10 ayes and 0 nays to adopt Resolution No. 26-03 a Resolution of the Board of Trustees of the Butte County Mosquito and Vector Control District approving the Engineer's report, confirming diagram and assessment, and ordering levy of the Mosquito, Vector and Disease Control Assessment for fiscal year 2026-2027.
8. Reports (8.1 – 8.4)
- 8.1 Under item 8.1 of reports, District Manager's Report, the District Manager reported that on June 11, 2026, the District completed the monthly management meeting, staff meeting, and all vehicle inspections.

On June 16, 2026, District management met with CSU Chico, GIS Department, to continue to negotiate the terms of the agreement between the project with CSU Chico and the District.

On June 17, 2026, the District met with representatives of Central Life Sciences and Orion to discuss the current status of MapVision 2.0, how long the system will be supported, and what options the District will have.

On June 18, 2026, the District Manager met with Member Schuster to assess potential mosquito-breeding sites and/or attractants at Burnt Barn Distilling Co.

On June 26, 2026, the District Manager attended the biweekly Legislative Regulatory Committee call. MVCAC lobbyists and committee members reviewed legislation and current regulatory issues.

On June 29, 2026, the District met with representatives of Central Life Sciences and Orion to discuss the current status of MapVision 2.0, how long the system will be supported, and what options the District will have.

On June 30, 2026, District management attended a conference call to listen to an updated report from representatives of Golden State Risk Management.

On July 1, 2026, The District's Safety Committee held their monthly meeting to discuss the previous month's close calls, accidents and/or safety issues if any. The committee also reviewed past and upcoming safety training ideas for future staff meetings.

The District remained open and operational on July 6, 2026, instead of celebrating and recognizing the 4th of July, District employees volunteered to work.

- 8.2 Under item 8.2 of reports, the District Manager reported that the District's New Jersey light traps and gravid traps have continued catching mosquitoes. Both *Culex pipiens* and *Culex tarsalis* populations are slightly lower than the previous year. Most mosquito species populations have increased over the past month. Sentinel chickens sera samples are continuing to be taken biweekly. CO2 trapping has continued and traps are being deployed routinely. Mosquito pools are being submitted for mosquito-borne disease. Also, *Aedes aegypti* has been detected throughout the county and the District has provided countermeasures through surveillance, inspections, and treatments.

As of July 1st, West Nile Virus (WNV) activity has not been detected within the District's service area. WNV has been identified in 1 human, 135 mosquito pools, 89 dead birds, and 1 horse in California to date. As of July 1st, 146 pools have been submitted, with two pools testing positive, one from Dayton and one from the Nelson's area.

The District's four indoor fish tanks are still offline, undergoing annual maintenance. The District's outdoor fish ponds are continuing to produce high amounts of fish and those fish are being deployed to the field for control as well as the public stock tanks.

Mosquito and Vector Control Specialists (Specialists) have continued with mosquito surveillance and treatments in rock pits, dredger pits, flood water areas, agricultural, ditches, drains and urban sources. Service requests for inspections, fish, and treatments have increased over the past month, with 377 requests taken in the month of June compared to 533 last year. The District has also commenced ground adulticiding operations on a regular basis.

As of July 1st, the District has treated 3,303 acres of wetlands; compared to 3,941 acres at this time last year. The District has treated 15,261 acres of rice this year, compared to 11,602 acres at this time last year. The District has made 0 ULV adulticide treatments thus far, compared to 0 ULV adulticide treatments at this time last year.

The District's public service announcements have continued to run on newspapers, radio, television, digital advertising, billboards, bus stop shelters, and on buses. The Public Relations Department continues to review and update the District's website, brochures, photo and video files, and other informational documents as needed.

- 8.3 Under item 8.3 of reports, 2025/2026 4th Quarter Fiscal Reports, the Administrative Manager reported that the salaries and benefits category is 94.9% expended, the services and supplies category is 99.3% expended, and the capital outlay category is 103.9% expended. It was then stated that overall expenditures are currently at 97.0% expended and current revenues are at 105.3% received.

- 8.4 Under item 8.4 of reports, 2nd Quarter Newsletter, the District Manager reviewed the 2nd Quarter Newsletter with the Board.

After this final item of reports, President Sheppard asked the District Manager to proceed to policy matters.

9. Policy matters (9.1 – 9.3)

- 9.1 Under item 9.1 of policy matters, the Board was asked to consider adopting the 2026/2027 fiscal budget as final as well as Resolution No. 26-04. The District Manager reviewed and explained the budgets and reported on the proposed changes made to the preliminary budgets. It was then moved by Member Schuster, seconded by Member Kirk, and passed unanimously with a vote of 10 ayes and 0 nays to approve and adopt Resolution No. 26-04 and the 2026/2027 fiscal budgets as final as amended.

- 9.2 Under item 9.2 of policy matters, the Board was asked to consider adoption of Resolution 26-05 A Resolution of Appreciation for Meritorious Service to the Citizens of Butte County and Hamilton City, Del Boyd. It was then moved by Member Kirk, seconded by Member Schuster, and passed unanimously with a vote of 10 ayes and 0 nays to approve and adopt Resolution No. 26-05 A Resolution of Appreciation for Meritorious Service to the Citizens of Butte County and Hamilton City, Del Boyd.

- 9.3 Under item 9.3 of policy matters, the Board was asked to consider a budget transfer of \$50,000.00 from Salaries and Benefits to Services and Supplies in the amount of \$39,500.00 and to Capital

Outlay in the amount of \$10,500.00 to cover end of fiscal year unanticipated expenditures. It was then moved by Member Smith, seconded by Member Johnson, and passed unanimously with a vote of 10 ayes and 0 nays to approve a budget transfer of \$50,000.00 from Salaries and Benefits to Services and Supplies in the amount of \$39,500.00 and to Capital Outlay in the amount of \$10,500.00.

10. Under topic of the month, the District's Entomologist gave a presentation on biology of *Culex tarsalis*.
11. After reviewing the demands made upon the District for the past month, it was then moved by Member Irick, seconded by Member Haymond, and passed unanimously with a vote of 10 ayes 0 nays to authorize checks numbered 57039 through 57145 be signed and distributed. Expenditures for the month totaled \$508,298.44.
12. Under personnel, the District Manager reported that after twenty-one years, Del Boyd retired from the District on July 2, 2026. He also reported that Glen Williams separated from the District on June 25, 2026.
13. No items of correspondence to report.
13. Under other business to report, the Board President reported to the Board that some Trustees still needed to complete Board Member requirements, such as mandated training. The District Manager informed the Board of their requirements as Board Members. After some discussion the Board instructed District management to assign mandated training every January to all Trustees so everyone would be on the same schedule.
14. No persons wishing to address the Board pertaining to closed session matters.
15. No closed session matters warranting legal counsel.
16. President Sheppard announced adjournment at 5:13 PM and concluded by stating that the next regular meeting of the BCMVCD Board of Trustees would meet at 4:00 PM on August 12, 2026, at the Chico Substation's Board Room at 444 Otterson Drive, Chico, CA 95928.

Respectfully submitted,

Melissa Schuster,
Secretary