

**COUNTY OF VENTURA
AGRICULTURAL POLICY ADVISORY COMMITTEE
ACTION MINUTES
JUNE 9, 2010**

1. 1:00 P.M. MEETING CALL TO ORDER.
2. ROLL CALL AND ATTENDANCE.

Committee: Vacant, District 1
 Sanger Hedrick, District 2
 Bob Pinkerton, District 3, Vice-Chair
 Charles Schwabauer, District, 4, Chairman
 Will Doyle, District 5

Ex-officio: Henry Gonzales, Agricultural Commissioner
(non-voting) Rose Hayden-Smith, UC Farm Advisor

Absent: District 1 appointee, Henry Gonzales, Rose Hayden-Smith

Staff/Others Present: Agricultural Commissioner's Office: Rita Graham; Farm Bureau:
John Krist

3. COMMENTS BY COMMITTEE MEMBERS.

None.

4. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA.

Motion: Approve agenda as presented.
By Pinkerton; seconded by Doyle
Vote: 4-0

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS.

None

6. CONSENT ITEM.

A & B. Approve Minutes of Special Meetings dated April 21 and April 28, 2010

Motion: Approve.
By Pinkerton; seconded by Hedrick
Vote: 4-0

7. PRESENTATION.

A. Asian Citrus Psyllid Task Force Update. John Krist said there have been no new appearances of the ACP in the region. Van Nuys in February was the most recent close appearance. Mr. Krist gave an in-depth report on activities, locations, funding, trapping and scientific research on the insect and the

disease it carries which kills citrus trees. Public information has gone out in utility bills and pay check envelopes, nurseries, farmers markets and a swap meet. Door hangars and a Spanish language radio announcement are planned.

8. ACTION ITEM.

- A. Permanently change the start time of meetings to 1:00 p.m.

Motion: Approve.

By Pinkerton; seconded by Doyle

Vote: 4-0

9. COMMUNICATIONS.

- A. APAC Members. 1) Mr. Pinkerton and Mr. Doyle discussed cooler facilities in the unincorporated area. Mr. Doyle said cities have unrealistic architecture and landscaping requirements as well as more of the "public" nearby. Mr. Pinkerton said ag production needs to be better explained to decision makers. Mr. Doyle said energy efficiency is much better if vegetable coolers are allowed close to the fields.

- B. Staff. 1) Updates to the 30+ topics of the Initial Study Assessment Guidelines may go to the Board as early as July 20; however, the Ag Soils sub-topic may follow separately due to late challenges to the thresholds; 2) Public Works would like to receive comments on the Ag Grading Ordinance at www.vcggrading.org; a final version will come to APAC prior to Board review.

- C. Future Meetings. The next APAC meeting is July 14, followed by September 8.

9. MEETING ADJOURNMENT: 2:20 p.m.