

California Rice Commission

Notice of Meeting & Agenda

Industry Affairs Committee Meeting
1:00 P.M., July 16, 2026
Yuba-Sutter Farm Bureau
475 N. Palora Avenue
Yuba City, CA 95993

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Agenda item

I. Administration

- A. Roll Call
- B. Call to Order

II. Introductions

III. Approval of Minutes

IV. FY 2026-27 Recommended Program of Work (\$4,626,300) - Action Item

- A. Water Quality (\$1,348,300)
- B. Crop Protection (\$123,000)
- C. Climate Policies (\$50,000)
- D. Secure Rice Acreage Against Crop Conversion (\$0)
- E. Grow and Implement Environmental Incentives (\$1,175,000)
- F. Grant-related Programs/Projects (\$1,930,000)

V. Consider Approval of FY 2026-27 Program Contracts (Action Items)

- A. FY 2026-27 Contract with Jacobs Engineering (\$371,800)
 - i. Execution pending Board approval of Recommended Budget
- B. FY 2026-27 Contract with Geosyntec Consultants (\$227,000)
 - i. Execution pending Board approval of Recommended Budget
- C. FY 2026-27 Contract with Roberta Firoved (\$110,000)
 - i. Execution pending Board approval of Recommended Budget
- D. FY 2026-27 Contract for bat work with Stillwater Sciences (\$50,000)
 - i. Execution pending Board approval of Recommended Budget
- E. FY 2026-27 Contract for pesticide research with Exponent (\$50,000)
 - i. Execution pending Board approval of Recommended Budget

- F. FY 2026-27 Contract for pesticide research with UC Davis (\$400,000)
 - i. Execution pending Board approval of Recommended Budget

VI. FY 2025-26 Program of Work Updates

- A. Crop Protection
 - i. Regulatory Interactions
 - ii. Updated Pesticide Matrix
- B. Water Quality
 - i. RPP
 - ii. WDR
 - 1. Monitoring
 - a. Stewardship monitoring
 - 2. SQMPs
 - 3. Consider FY2025-2026 Contract amendment for Geosyntec Consultants (\$62,000) **(Action Item)**
 - iii. CV-Salts
 - 1. P&O Study
- C. Grow and Implement Environmental Incentives
 - i. Wildlife Conservation Programs Update
- D. Ricelands Salmon Project Update
- E. Sacramento Waterfowl Advisory Committee Meeting
 - i. Expected timing of harvest relative to season opener (Oct. 24)
- F. Rice Footprint Update

VII. USA Rice Evaluation

VIII. Program of Work Documents (for reference only; no planned discussion)

- A. One-page Summaries
 - a. For reference, only if needed

IX. Personnel - Closed Session (California Government Code 11126(a))

- A. The Committee may go into closed session to discuss and make recommendations to Board regarding appointment, employment or dismissal of an employee.
- B. Return to open session and announce action taken in closed session, if any.

X. Closed session regarding pending litigation pursuant to Government Code Section 11126(e)

- A. The Committee may go into closed session to discuss pending litigation.
- B. Return to open session and announce action taken in closed session, if any.

XI. Issues and Scheduling for Next Meeting

XII. Adjourn

Action may be taken on any item on the agenda. The time and order of agenda items are subject to change at the discretion of the Committee Chair and may be taken out of order. The meeting will be adjourned upon completion of the agenda, which may be at a time earlier or later than posted in this notice. In accordance with the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act, all meetings of the Committees are open to the public.

Government Code Section 11125.7 provides the opportunity for the public to address each agenda item during discussion or consideration by the Committee prior to the Committee taking any action on said item. Members of the public will be provided appropriate opportunities to comment on any issue before the Committee, but the Chair may, at his or her discretion, apportion available time among those who wish to speak. Individuals may appear before the Committee to discuss items not on the agenda; however, the Committee can neither discuss nor take official action on these items at the time of the same meeting [Government Code Sections 11125 and 11125.7(a)].

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