MEETING: November 2, 2021

TO: The Board of Supervisors

FROM: Rene LaRoche, Clerk of the Board

RE: Appoint Two Directors to the Mariposa County Resource Conservation District

RECOMMENDATION AND JUSTIFICATION:

Appoint David Mecchi as Director, and Wayne Kelly as Associate Director, to the Mariposa County Resource Conservation District (MCRCD) with Terms Expiring at Noon on November 28, 2025.

Under California Public Resources Code (PRC) Section 9314(b), a resource conservation district may elect to have a board of supervisors fill vacancies in lieu of elections, and the Board of Supervisors accepted the responsibility on August 20, 2013 with Resolution 2013-355.

Consequently, the MCRCD Board of Directors took action on October 13, 2021, pursuant to the regulations, to recommend David Mecchi and Wayne Kelley for appointment to the MCRCD Board of Directors, as evidence by the attached draft MCRCD Minutes. Both positions are currently vacant, with David Mecchi’s previous term having expired on November 27, 2020. No Special Vacancy exists to require special posting under the Maddy Act; however, normal annual Maddy Act postings have occurred.

Staff is now requesting that the Board of Supervisors make the appointments as recommended by the MCRCD.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:

Under California Public Resources Code Section 9314(b), a resource Historically, the Mariposa County Board of Supervisors has made other appointments to the RCD board, but the arrangement was not finalized until 2013 when the MCRCD formally requested, via RCD resolution 4-13, that the Board of Supervisors make the appointments. That request was approved with Resolution 2013-355 on August 20, 2013.

ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

If the Board of Supervisors elects not to fill the positions it will leave the MCRCD Board of Directors with vacancies which will result in a lack of a quorum. However, after sixty days from the expiration of the unfilled term, the MCRCD Board of Directors could opt to make appointments pursuant to PRC §9314(b)(4) which reads, "If the
board of supervisors does not conduct interviews of potential candidates or make an appointment within 60 days after the expiration of the term, the board of directors may make the appointment."

ATTACHMENTS:
MCRCD Draft Minutes - 2021 October 13 (PDF)
Wayne Kelly Letter of Interest (PDF)

RESULT: ADOPTED BY CONSENT VOTE [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Wayne Forsythe, District IV Supervisor
SECONDER: Rosemarie Smallcombe, District I Supervisor
AYES: Smallcombe, Sweeney, Long, Forsythe, Menetrey
November 2, 2021

Wayne Kelly
Chester0234@yahoo.com

RE: Mariposa County Resource Conservation District (MCRCD)

Dear Mr. Kelly:

I am pleased to inform you that at the regular meeting of November 2, 2021, the Board of Supervisors took action and appointed you as an associate director to the Mariposa County Resource Conservation District. This appointment term will expire at noon on November 28, 2025.

Congratulations on your appointment. We appreciate your enthusiasm and willingness to serve your community on this committee and know it will be a rewarding experience.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact the Mariposa County Clerk of the Board at (209) 966-3222.

Sincerely,

[Signature]
Marshall Long,
Board Chair

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David Mecchi
5110 Worman Road
Ahwahnee, CA 93601

RE: Mariposa County Resource Conservation District (MCRCD)

Dear Mr. Mecchi:

I am pleased to inform you that at the regular meeting of November 2, 2021, the Board of Supervisors took action and appointed you as a director to the Mariposa County Resource Conservation District. This appointment term will expire on at noon on November 28, 2025.

Congratulations on your appointment. We appreciate your enthusiasm and willingness to serve your community on this committee and know it will be a rewarding experience.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact the Mariposa County Clerk of the Board at (209) 966-3222.

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