

MOSQUITO AND VECTOR MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
of Santa Barbara County
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF TRUSTEES
July 9th, 2026

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Mosquito and Vector Management District of Santa Barbara County was held at 1:00 PM, on Thursday, July 9th, 2026 via teleconference and in person at the Santa Barbara City College Wake Center Campus, Room 21.

1. **ROLL CALL**

TRUSTEES PRESENT:

President Danica Taber
Vice-President Joseph Franken
Secretary Russell Dahlquist
Trustee Barbara Silver
Trustee Steven Gaulin

TRUSTEES ABSENT:

Trustee Robert Williams
Trustee Teri Jory

IN ATTENDANCE:

Brian Cabrera, General Manager
Jessica Sprigg, Administrative Assistant
Carrie Troup, CPA
Bob Shull, California CLASS
John Bliss, SCI Consulting (remotely)
Heather Jamison, SCI Consulting (remotely)

2. **CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA**

-No changes requested. GM Cabrera noted that in Item 3A, the reference to Item 6G should actually be 6D.

3. **ANNOUNCEMENTS REGARDING DISTRICT BUSINESS**

A. Remaining Board Meeting Dates for 2026. Start time is 1:00 PM.

1. August, TBD in agenda item 6G.	3. Thursday, October 8	5. Thursday, December 10
2. Thursday, September 10	4. Thursday, November 12	---

4. **CORRESPONDENCE**

-None.

5. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Time reserved for the public to address the Board of Trustees relative to matters of District business not on the agenda. Comment time regarding specific agenda items will be available during consideration of the particular agenda items.

-None.

6. **DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS**

The Board will discuss and may take action on the following items:

- A. Presentation and discussion on the California CLASS program (Cooperative Liquid Asset Securities System). Bob Shull, Senior Director of Investment Services for California CLASS, will be in attendance to present information about the program and to answer questions.

-Following a brief overview of the California CLASS program, the Board directed staff to agendize the item for further review and possible action at the August meeting.

- B. Public hearing to consider resolution approving Engineer's Report and ordering the continuation of assessments for fiscal year 2026-2027.

-Public hearing opened at 1:24. SCI Consulting Group President John Bliss discussed the history and timeline of the annual benefit assessment process. Public hearing closed at 1:57.

- C. Consider and approve Resolution 26-06: "A Resolution of the Board of Trustees of the Mosquito and Vector Management District of Santa Barbara County Approving the Engineer's Report, and Ordering the Continuation of Assessments for Fiscal Year 2026-27 for Service Zones No. 1 and No. 2 Mosquito and Disease Control Assessments."

- a. Staff report recommending the continuation of assessments for fiscal year 2026-27.

Ryan Aston, Senior Consultant with SCI Consulting Group, will be present to address any questions or comments regarding the assessments.

-Vice-President Franken made a motion to adopt Resolution 26-06 and read by title only.

Motion seconded by Secretary Dahlquist and passed 5-0-0 by roll call vote.

- D. Reschedule the August 2026 Board regular meeting as a special meeting. GM Cabrera will be out of the office from July 27 – August 10th. A suggested rescheduled date is Thursday, August 20.

-The August meeting was rescheduled for August 20th at 1PM.

- E. Receive and file June 2026 Financial Statements for County Fund FD-4160

-Vice-President Franken made a motion to receive and file the financial statements. Motion seconded by Secretary Dahlquist and passed unanimously.

- F. Receive and file June 2026 Disbursement Report

-Vice-President Franken made a motion to receive and file the disbursement report. Motion seconded by Secretary Dahlquist and passed unanimously.

7. CONSENT CALENDAR

The following items can be approved by a single action of the Board. Items requiring additional discussion may be withdrawn from the listing and addressed in separate actions. If you wish to speak on a consent calendar item, please do so during the public comment period provided at the beginning of this item.

- a. Approval of the Minutes of the June 11, 2026 Board Special Meeting
- b. Approval of the June 2026 Disease Surveillance Report
- c. Approval of the June 2026 District Operations Report
- d. Accounts receivable contracts' status (Line item 5909 - Misc. Revenue)

-Secretary Dahlquist made a motion to approve the Items of General Consent. Motion seconded by Vice-President Franken and passed unanimously.

8. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS/UPDATES

The Board will discuss and may take action on the following items:

- A. Update on the discovery of the Australian backyard mosquito, *Aedes notoscriptus*, in the Westside neighborhood of the City of Santa Barbara.

*-The Ascendant app was utilized to send text messages to residents in the vicinity of where the detections of *Aedes notoscriptus* occurred. Mailers were also sent to the area and technicians have been going door to door speaking to residents and inspecting neighborhood breeding sources. Many residents have volunteered to have traps placed in their yards.*

9. **GENERAL MANAGER’S REPORT**

-GM Cabrera discussed the Google analytics of the District website views, Trustee Silver taking the place of Trustee Dahlquist on the IMVMP ad hoc committee, and the upcoming AMCA webinar about Wolbachia.

10. **REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

-Pending future agenda items include use of Wolbachia to control mosquitoes, report from President Taber about attendance at Special District Leadership Academy, and participation in the California CLASS program. Trustee Silver requested a future item about ticks and the diseases that they vector.

11. **TRUSTEE ANNOUNCEMENTS**

-None.

12. **ADJOURNMENT**

As there was no further business to be brought before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

I certify that the above minutes substantially reflect the actions of the Board:

APPROVED:

Danica Taber
Board President

Russell Dahlquist
Board Secretary