GLENN COUNTY OLIVE PEST MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

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Minutes

Meeting Date: January 28, 2014

Time: 9:00 am

Place: Glenn County Agricultural Department

720 North Colusa Street

Willows, CA 95988

I. Introductions:

Glenn County Olive Pest Management Board of Directors present:

Dan Kennedy Chairman Scott Studybaker Director James Aguiar Director Chuck Schonauer Alternate

Glenn County Olive Pest Management Board of Directors not present:

Ed Romano Secretary

John Erickson Assistant Secretary

Adam Englehardt Vice Chairman

Others in Attendance:

Jim Donnelly Glenn County Department of Agriculture
Jean Miller Glenn County Department of Agriculture
Tina Brothers Glenn County Department of Agriculture
Jennifer Kline Glenn County Department of Agriculture

Ernie Simpson Ern's Pest Control

Bill Krueger

Charlie Garcia California Olive Ranch

II. Agenda Items:

1. Approve the minutes from the public hearing - The minutes for May 28, 2013 were approved as is. The minutes for October 9, 2013 were approved with a correction in Item#2: the road location should be County Road 19 (not 25) and 5.

- 2. GF120 Resistance- Bill Krueger has tried in the past to collect samples however due to circumstances it hasn't worked out. Bill Krueger mentioned that Daniele Lightle has been hired as the new Tree Crop Farm Advisor and she starts on February 10, 2014. It was mentioned that it would be a good idea to invite her to the next meeting to see if she would be willing to work with the District to do some sampling. Bill mentioned that he thinks the California Olive Commission might be able to fund the project.
- 3. Chemical Order-Jennifer Kline passed out a price comparison list for Danitol, Magnet OL and GF120. After discussing the chemical prices a motion was made to purchase 500 Magnet OL traps from Wilbur Ellis and 60 gallons of GF120 from the Glenn County Department of Agriculture through the VEM program. The OPMD District will order the Danitol at a later date. All present were in agreement.
- 4. Update on monitoring traps-Ernie Simpson passed out the trapping spreadsheet he does for the California Olive Committee for Glenn and Tehama. Ernie expressed his concern with Block Orland 6 because he placed Magnet OL traps in May and sprayed that area in June, October and November with GF120 and the fly counts haven't gone down so he doesn't feel the GF120 is working.

Scott Studybaker mentioned that he knows an olive grower who used Danitol at the beginning of the season the last two years in his olive orchard and found it helped keep the olive fly downs.

Jim Donnelly mentioned that he discussed the issue with Patrick Clay at Valent. They backed off with the Special Local Need for Danitol because of the phytotoxicity it may cause to the olives and because they felt there wasn't a need since it's already registered for use in olives. Jim also spoke to Dr. Robert Van Steenwyk out of Berkley who has done some trials with Danitol and GF120. He also had concerns with the phytotoxicity and suggested that we do some trials.

The Glenn County Olive Fruit Fly count spreadsheet was passed out that showed Dottie trapping from November 2013 to the end of January 2014 with a total of 3,814 flies found during that time period. Jean Miller mentioned that Dottie has continued to check the traps every two weeks due to the high counts.

- 5. Olive Sampling-There was no discussion regarding this agenda item.
- 6. Assessment Survey-Jean mentioned that Dottie went out and surveyed the county again for new olive orchards. She only found one orchard with 14 acres of olive trees.

7. Additional Discussion Items:

Dan mentioned there's individual who lives on Pacific Avenue here in Willows that has 24 olive trees he would like to remove and asked if the District would be willing to pay him for removing the trees. Dan drove by the property and assessed the situation, invited the individual to the meeting this morning however he couldn't make it. Dan is going to call him and offer him \$55.00 per tree with the stipulation that he pulls out the whole tree. Dan will give an update at the next meeting.

Ernie mentioned that Rob Silveira called him and Jean to see if the OPMD would be willing to help pay to have 100 olive trees removed behind his father's place along the railroad tracks. A tree removal service would need to be hired to remove the trees. Scott Studybaker is going to talk to Rob and give an update at the next meeting.

Ernie has a chainsaw that is leaking oil so he's going to get it fixed. The trailer needs a new battery so he going to purchase a new one.

Jean wanted to know if anyone had seen the news release regarding the high fly count and the need to spray in any of the newspapers. Ernie said he read it in the Sacramento Valley Mirror.

Jim Aguiar was concerned about freeze damage and reported there was more damage in Tulare County than here.

Chuck Schonauer mentioned his concern of where this group was heading and would there be a need to have a district in three or four years. The directors decided to discuss this at a later date.

Meeting Adjourned at 10:32am

Respectfully Submitted by, Tina Brothers