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## HAZMAT ADVISORY GROUP

# MINUTES

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TAHOE ROOM \*\* 202 MIRA LOMA DRIVE, OROVILLE

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### I. Preliminary Items

The meeting began at 10:10 a.m.

Keven Lemos, Jim Murray, Josh Hubbard, Bud Caldwell, Malcolm Maxwell, and Robyn DiFalco attended the meeting. Scott Steel, Charina Gaspay, Susan Ricketts, Curt Josiassen, and Russ Fowler were absent.

Jason Boetzer, Calaveras Environmental Health, Justin Malan, CCDEH Executive Director, John Payne, Cal EPA, and Andrea Fox, Farm Bureau attended as guest presenters. Mike Huerta and Brad Banner attended the meeting on behalf of the Public Health Department.

### II. History and Development of Hazmat Regulation in California

Jason Boetzer gave a PowerPoint presentation on the events that led to environmental legislation in California from the 1970s to the present.

### III. Formation of CUPAs in California

Justin explained how and why CUPAs were established in California. They were initially requested by industry so that there would be unified inspections and billings, instead of being inspected by a dozen different agencies at different times. They also were intended to standardize hazmat requirements, making them consistent across county jurisdictions. The downside is that CUPAs and the laws they enforce, in order to be uniform across jurisdictional boundaries, are a "one size fits all solution," making compliance by small businesses much for burdensome.

### IV. CUPA regulation of Agriculture Handlers

John provided information about regulation of the agricultural community and provided information about how the application of Spill Prevention, Control, and Countermeasures (SPCC) are applied through the Farms and Water Resources Reform and Development Act (WRRDA).

### V. CUPAs and the Agriculture Community

Andrea explained the importance of CUPAs working with farms and other stakeholders when regulatory programs are developed. She stressed that it is important for regulators to respect privacy issues when performing inspections on farms. She suggested that the CUPA program in Yuba be looked at as a model to follow with respect to its regulation of Ag Handlers.



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### **VI. Open Discussion**

The speakers answered questions from the advisory committee.

### **VII. Preparation for the Next Meeting**

The next meeting will be Friday, July 10, at 10:00 a.m. in the Tahoe Room at 202 Mira Loma Drive. Agenda topics will be organizational (choosing a Chair and adopting By-Laws), review of Administrative Enforcement policies and procedures, discussion of a broad outline for CUPA regulation of Ag Handlers, and an open forum of any other issues the advisory group wishes to address in the future.

### **VIII. Adjourn**

The group adjourned at Noon.