

**AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 21, 2022**

Committee Members Present: Supervisor Forster, Supervisor Oneto

Staff Present: Chuck Beatty, Planning Director
Ruslan Bratan, Planner

Others Present:

Meeting called to order by Chairman Forster at 10:30 a.m.

Agenda: Approved

Minutes: Approved

Correspondence: None

Public Matters Not on the Agenda: None

ITEM 1. Review and possible approval, pursuant to Amador County Code Section 7.36.180 – Surface Mining, of an administrative minor amendment to Reclamation Plan RP-77-6 (“Edwin Mine” portion) to facilitate the removal of +/- 7,500 acres from the Reclamation Plan necessitated by the sale of the acreage. Per County Code Section 7.36.180, minor amendments recommended by the Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee are placed on the Board of Supervisors’ consent agenda for approval.

Operator: ARA Edwin Clays, LLC

Owner: Dry Creek Lands, LLC

Supervisorial District: 2

Location: Affecting +/- 7,500 acres between the City of Ione and Sacramento County, south of Highway 104, and north of Cook Road.

Chair Forster introduced the item.

Mr. Beatty shared history and that this is the third reclamation plan amendment for this mine where properties will be removed from the reclamation plan. He added that there is one mine site, the Volcanic Ash Pit, in the area that is owned by Jackson Rancheria and is pre-SMARA disturbance. He stated that the request meets the requirements of the Surface Mining and Reclamation Act.

Chair Forster asked if any public comment has been received.

Mr. Beatty responded that none has been received.

Supervisor Oneto commented that the amendment is not changing any of the uses that are happening there or are going to happen.

Mr. Beatty said there are no changes in the end uses.

Chair Forster stated that this is basically a cleanup of the property to reflect the boundary lines and the ownership.

Supervisor Oneto said he has no problem with it and it is pretty minimal.

Chair Forster asked if there is any public comment. There was none.

The Committee approved the staff recommendations and findings and asked that it be moved onto to the Board of Supervisors consent agenda.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:36 a.m.