

California Department of Food and Agriculture
Integrated Pest Control Branch
VERTEBRATE PEST CONTROL RESEARCH ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
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AGENDA

- 1) Welcome from Merced County Agricultural Commissioner**
- 2) Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act and VPCRAC Compliance**
- 3) Approval of Minutes – May 3, 2017**
- 4) California Department of Food and Agriculture Updates**
 - a) Program Updates
 - b) Vertebrate Legislation and Regulations
 - c) California Department of Pesticide Regulation Update
 - d) County Monthly Report Data
- 5) Financial Reports**
 - a) 2017/2018 Budget, Expenditures, and Revenue Review
 - b) 2017/2018 VPCRAC Fund Condition and Revenue Projections
 - c) 2018/2019 Proposed Budget
- 6) Committee Membership**
 - a) Board Member Requirements
 - b) Chairman
 - c) Vacancy
- 7) 2017 – 2018 Research Proposal Guidelines**
- 8) Research Proposals**
 - a) Investigation of the interaction between rodenticide secondary exposure and barn owls in effective control of vertebrate pest populations.

9) Research Updates

- a) “Encouraging Owl Predation of Rodents by Erecting Owl Boxes: Myth or Potential Management Strategy?”

10) Other Items

- a) Yearly Meeting Calendar
- b) Public Comment on Matters not on this Agenda
- c) Future Action Items
- d) Next Meeting Schedule Location and Date

Adjournment

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