

**District 36 Meeting Minutes**  
**Location: Zoom (remote) June 21st, 2023**  
**Referee's Meeting 7:00PM – 8:00PM**

\*\*NOTES: If topic is not on the agenda, it will be added to the non-agenda items,  
if approved by the president for the next meeting\*\*

- Meeting Called to Order @ 7:00pm by Brad Rosbach (President)
- Roll Call (Monique Whitworth)
  - o 17 of 28 Clubs/Promoters present
    - PRESENT: CERA, CCP, DDNMC, FAST TIMES, GOT, HAYWARD MC, LODI MC, OAKLAND MC, PDMC, RED NECK ROOSTERS, RDR, RICHMOND RAMBLERS MC, SALINAS RAMBLERS, TIMEKEEPERS, WSRA, WDBRA, VALLEY CLIMBERS
  - o 36 of 67 Committeemen present
- Approve Minutes (April, 2023): motioned by John Davis, no objections; minutes approved.
- Guests: No guests in attendance this evening.
- Correspondence: No correspondences this evening.

**Committee Reports:**

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- Sanctioning (Katie Pond)
  - o No report due to Katie Pond not present.
- Membership (Cat Swenston)
  - o 294 membership cards have been mailed out since May's meeting
  - o 33 June renewal forms were mailed out
  - o Reminder to clubs/promoters to sign and date the membership application forms.
- Youth Cross Country (Jimmy Whitworth)
  - o Bear Mountain HS had 183 youth riders
- Cross Country/Scoring (Jeremy Carlin)
  - o One race since our last meeting: Bear Mountain
    - 549 total riders
    - 24 new numbers sold, 13 temp. numbers and \$ 1,033 deposited for the weekend.

- Enduro/Family Enduro (Bruce Hendrickson)
  - Two Enduros since our last meeting
    - Fool's Gold on June 10th
      - Over 200 riders
    - 49er Family and Sprint Enduro
      - 270 total riders for the weekend.
  
- Dirt Track (Carter Fisher)
  - 5/27/23 Lodi MC ST: 153 riders
  - 5/28/23 Lodi MC ST: 126 riders
  - 6/3/23 Fast Times - Hills Ferry ST : 96 riders
  - 6/10/23 Stockton MC TT @ Lodi : 91 riders
  
- Dual Sport (Jerry Fouts)
  - Reported by Duffy Collins. The NCRR took the place of another event. The route was great. Overall good event.
  
- GP Series (Leon Hannum)
  - Great first round @ MMX
    - 210 riders, 24 AMA cards sold, 26 District 36 membership sold.
    - Next round is July 30th, 2023
  
- Sponsor Committee (Charlie Coiner)
  - No updates at this time.
  
- Social Media (Amanda Carlin)
  - No report due to Amanda Carlin not present.
  
- Contingency Committee (Rachel Douglas)
  - Contingencies are current and up to date.
  
- Newsletter/Website/Operations Manual (Bill McGibbon)
  - There will be a rule proposal during our July meeting.
  - Bill is always looking for content for the newsletter.

- AMA/Congress (Jerry Fouts/Ralph Lee/Kelly Gouldthread)
  - o Next AMA Congress meeting is July 11th.
  - o There is a survey regarding Prairie City, please check out the link and take 5 mins to respond.
  - o The OHV Access Project is looking for BLM land or private property who would like to work with State Parks.
  - o AMA Congress will be doing face to face meeting this year and Jerry would like to encourage the BOD decide to send back two people to represent. He suggests John Davis and Ralph Lee.
  
- Director of Competition (Jeff Irwin)
  - o No Competition Committee meeting this evening. The GP supplemental rules have been resolved with the Steward.
  
- LAO (Don Amador)
  - o See attached report
  
- Clubs/Promoters/Members – Question/Answer \*This is not for club announcements\*
  
- Old Business
  - o No old business
  
- New Business
  - o No new business
  
- Good of the Body
  - o Congratulations to Jett Katarzy, 127E, for going back to Nationals and doing great!
  
- Jerry Fouts motioned to adjourn; Meeting Adjourned @ 7:45 pm.

**BREAK**

**Competition Committee Meeting**

- Meeting Called to Order @ \_\_\_\_\_
  
- Roll Call (Monique Whitworth)
  - o \_\_\_\_\_ Active members of \_\_\_\_\_ Clubs/Promoters present.

- Protests
- New Clubs
- Old Business
- New Business
- Motion to adjourn by \_\_\_\_\_; meeting Adjourned @ \_\_\_\_\_

### **Board Meeting [8:00-9:00]**

*Maximum time spent on each agenda item is 5 minutes. If unresolved, it goes to the Parking Lot to be added to the agenda for the next month. Comments and business by the BOD only unless approved by the President. Please keep your report to 5 minutes in length. Questions will be limited to 3 minutes.*

- Meeting called to order @ 7:50 pm by Brad Rosbach (President)
- Roll Call (Monique Whitworth)
  - 8 of 9 members present
    - Jeff Katarzy not present
- Old Business
  - GP Scoring System (Tabled from March, 2023)
    - Leon would like to table till July, 2023
  - Mileage for Committeemen, Stewards & BOD (Tabled from April, 2023)
    - Discussion: Charlie Coiner believes if one gets mileage, then all committeemen should get it. John Davis doesn't think it's financially sound to pay everyone mileage.
    - Will follow up with a BOD meeting.
- New Business
  - Youth Steward Discussion (Jimmy Whitworth)
    - Jimmy Whitworth has announced his resignation as Youth Cross Country Steward at the end of the 2023 season. Jimmy will continue to do the On-Course Medic Program. Jimmy has talked to a few people who may be interested as Youth Steward and will follow up in the next couple months.
- Adhoc Committee Updates
- Non Agenda Items (There will be 5 minutes TOTAL allowed)
  - Bill McGibbon would like to know from the BOD if the application amounts for chartering will remain the same for 2024. John Davis suggests to stick to the current amounts as there has been no discussion regarding rate changes.
  - Bill McGibbon is requesting a grant to purchase a new laptop in the amount of \$700.00. Bill uses his laptop about 95% for District 36 related matters.
    - John Davis motions to grant \$1,000.00 to Bill McGibbon for the purchase of a new laptop.
      - 8 yay; motion approved

- On June 21st, 2023, the BOD received an email from Charlie Coiner stating that he found a sponsor for Bill McGibbon's laptop. It will no longer be purchased by District 36, rather TechRoe LLC (Kevin Roe).
- Good of the Body
- Executive Session
  - o No executive session this evening
- Motion to adjourn by 8:06 pm; meeting adjourned @ 8:06 pm



## Amador District 36 LAO Activities Report

May 17, 2023 to June 21, 2023

### D36 Mission Statement

District 36 is a volunteer-based non-profit organization of motorcyclists and like-minded enthusiasts who organize and enhance responsible family recreation and exercise environmental conservation for the purpose of promoting today's activities and protecting our sport for the future.

Dear Board,



**FOREST SERVICE PROPOSED PERMIT FEE INCREASE** – The LAO submitted comments on the new FS permit fee proposal to amend its special use regulations to update the processing and monitoring fee schedules based on current Agency costs; to provide for recovery of costs associated with processing special use proposals, as well as applications; and to remove the exemption for commercial recreation special use applications and authorizations that involve 50 hours or less to process or monitor.

The LAO stated the their collective weight will disenfranchise important partners by creating a significant fiscal hardship on the motorcycle clubs, riders, and families we represent and highlighted how the clubs often provide key services such as post-wildfire or storm recovery efforts, such as clearing trails or repairing damaged campgrounds to prepare for a permitted event or group activity.

Often, hundreds of volunteer hours are donated to the Forest Service, resulting in closed trails being reopened for general public use and the permitted event.

The LAO believes the loss of the 50-hour exemption and other proposed, yet vague, fee increases will force many of those partner clubs to cease applying for a special use permit since events such as an amateur enduro that are many times a “break-even” proposition since the entry fees will not cover the club’s expense for items such as on-site medical services, communications, and other event materials. This proposal threatens those important partnerships and the pre-event volunteer trail work.

In 2011, the LAO was part of a national effort that called for reform of the permitting process because it had become so complicated and costly that most "non-profit club events" could simply not comply with the requirements. In addition, historic and popular competitive events occurring without problems had been subjected to arbitrary fees where permit fees were raised from \$500 to \$10,000 - \$20,000 or more. In some areas, the application process to obtain a special use permit was used to prohibit and/or severely restrict otherwise allowable activities.

The LAO has seen how the agency can force clubs to pay for environmental studies so we can have events. Some years ago D36 even paid over \$10,000 dollars to help a club cover those permit related costs. The LAO will continue to monitor this proposal and take further action as needed.

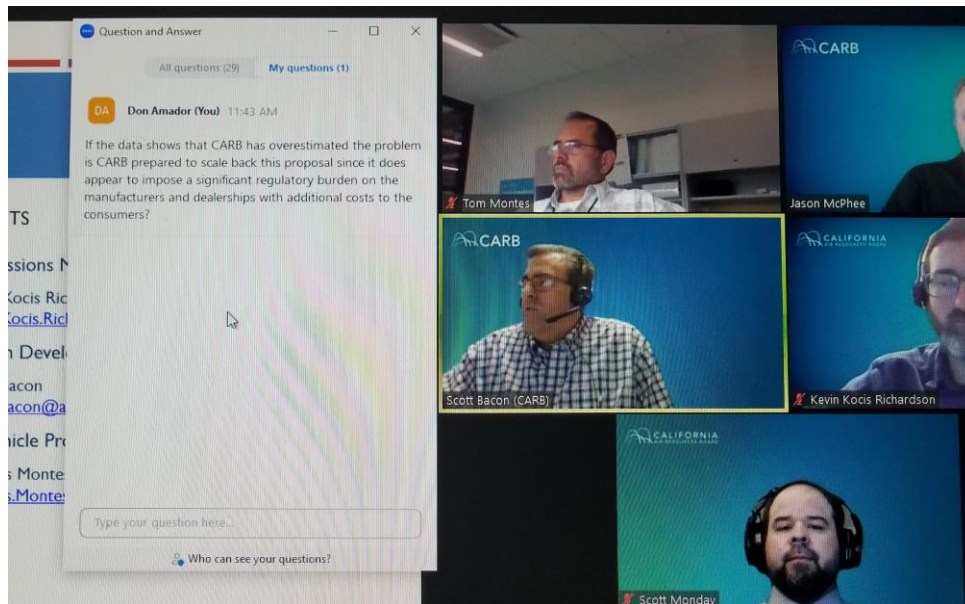
**COMPETITION PERMIT SENATE BILL STALLED IN ASSEMBLY** - Although SB 708 passed the Senate (Ayes 39. Noes 0.) In May, the chair (a hard core anti-OHV hater) would not allow the bill to be heard in her assembly committee. The LAO, our lobbyist, and Senator Jones continue to work hard on the chair (and other politicians) to allow the bill to be heard. This has turned into a very ugly fight. But what else is new for OHV in CA? Stay tuned.



**WALKER RIDGE AND U.S. SENATE BILL S 683** – The LAO testified before the Colusa County Board of Supervisors asking them to support the additional 5K acres along Walker Ridge being added to the existing National Monument that will allow the stalled out travel planning process to restart and

eventually lead to creating a legal OHV route system in that area since currently none of the heavily used OHV routes are open for motorized use.

**COMPETITION PERMIT SENATE BILL STALLED IN ASSEMBLY** - Although SB 708 passed the Senate (Ayes 39. Noes 0.) In May, the Chair (a hard core anti-OHV hater) of the Assembly Parks and Water Committee would not allow the bill to be heard in her committee. The LAO, our lobbyist, and Senator Jones continue to work hard on the chair (and other politicians) to allow the bill to be heard. This has turned into a very ugly fight. But what else is new for OHV in CA? Stay tuned.



**CARB PROPOSED EMISSION RESTRICTIONS ON STREET LEGAL MOTORCYCLES** - The LAO attended a CARB meeting and also submitted comments about CARB Staff's DRAFT Proposed Regulation Order and the impacts it will have on street legal DS and ADV bikes including plans to have a LIMP mode and ability/capacity of off-road capable DS/ADV motorcycles to host those new emission control systems. And asked about the cost benefit the program would have?



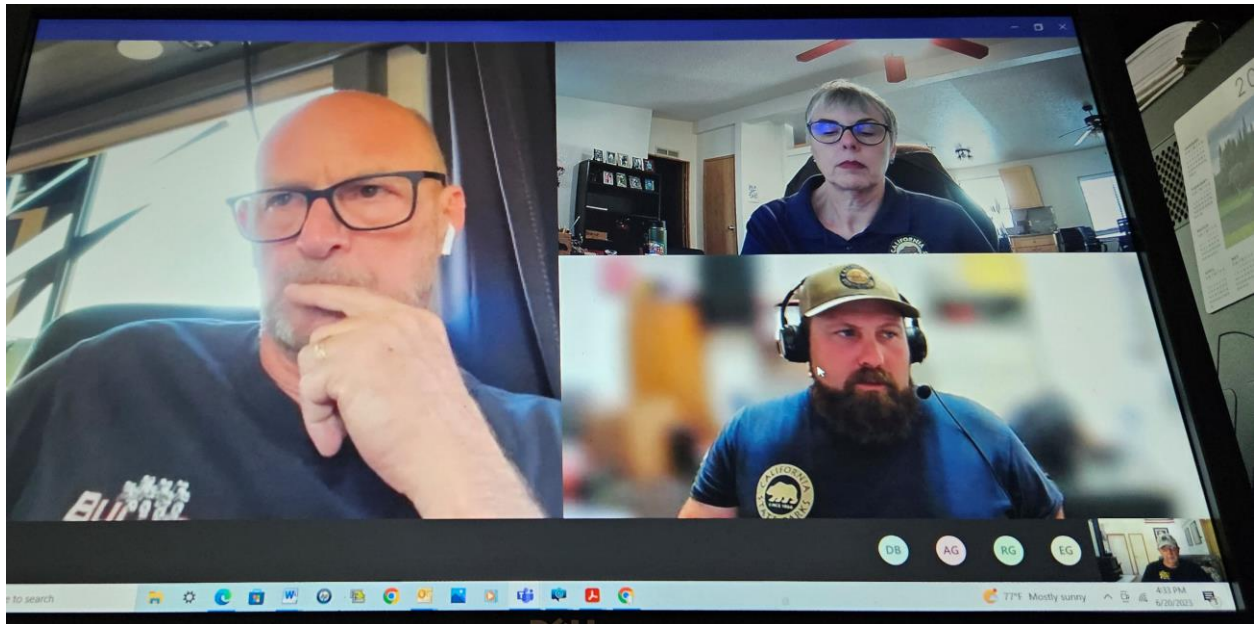


**Don Amador (L) and Nick Harris (R) review trail plan at BLM Unit**

**NICK HARIS NEW GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS DIRECTOR AT AMA -** The D36 LAO has worked for over 20 years with Nick Harris in his capacity as Western Representative for the AMA and we want to extend our sincere congrats to Nick as the new government affairs lead for the AMA. I have appreciated Nick's commitment to motorcycles and OHV recreation and his dedication to the riders which he has demonstrated by speaking/testifying at many commission and legislative hearings. Also, I have spent a lot of time with him on the trail or otherwise in the field reviewing key OHV access issues on state and federal lands. Congrats Nick!

LINK TO MESSAGE FROM NICK TO AMA MEMBERS

<https://americanmotorcyclist.com/big-changes-bigger-opportunities->



**Carnegie SVRA Advisory Group Meeting**

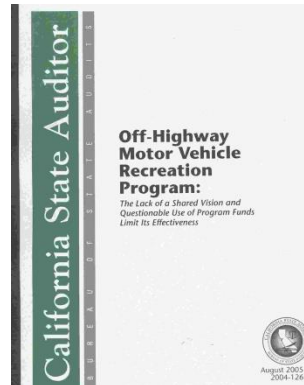
**CARNegie SVRA (AND OTHER SVRA) PLAN UPDATES** - The LAO attended the Carnegie SVRA Advisory Group Meeting where the staff gave stakeholders an update on the great progress they have made making repairs so that SVRA could be reopened to the public. Members of the public who ride there and were on the call said they really appreciate the park reopening the commented on the huge amount of repair work that staff did.

Also at this meeting, the D36 LAO reminded with Park Planners about the need to maximize every square foot of Carnegie for competition events and to have dynamic and streamlined permit process that does not have any arbitrary limits on the number of competition events. They said that message was and is being heard and incorporated in the planning process.



**FS REGION 5 AND FIRESCAPE MENDOCINO POST FIRE RECOVERY PLANNING** – The LAO – representing D36 and OHV - attended a post fire workshop hosted by the FS Regional Office and FireScope

Mendocino to review post fire recovery goals for forest activities such as OHV and forest health. Important to ensure that OHV and other recreation remains a primary focus of the agency.



**Cover of the 2005 Audit of CA OHV Program**

**AUDIT OF OHV TRUST FUND - Due** to the LAO Program's concerns about the long term fiscal viability of the OHV Trust Fund due to the ongoing deficit spending by the OHV Division and Parks - to subsidize activities that DO NOT benefit OHV recreation – it continues to work with Legislators on submission of a REQUEST FOR AN AUDIT that will be submitted this year. The audit is expected to highlight deficit spending on unwarranted projects and funding shortfalls that could impact the operation of SVRAs and grants to federal and county agencies. The audit is also expected to find possible solutions to fiscal shortfalls.

**SxS SAFETY** – The LAO will be attending another OHMVR Division Safety Conference on July 27 as it continues to work with State Parks interagency SxS safety team on solutions to address illegal and rogue activity by certain SxS groups and the growing number of accidents between dirt bikes and SxSs. As part of our joint effort with Parks, the LAO is doing research on existing online OHV safety courses, the LAO took the online OHV safety courses offered by OR State Parks and UT Parks and Recreation.

The LAO expects that Parks will require some form of REQUIRED education certificate similar to other states such as OR and UT before riding a SxS on public lands. It would most likely start off with a required online cert. but if that is not effective than an in-person field training would also be required.

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