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Received, and thank you.



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Please see attached, **Messages & Communications Doc. No. 38GL-26-1786 through 1788** for processing:

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| ✓ | 38GL-26-1786 | Department of Public Health and Social Services | Guam Board of Allied Health Examiners Regular Board Meeting Packet for January 16, 2026* |
| ✓ | 38GL-26-1787 | Southern Guam Soil and Water Conservation District | Board Meeting Packet for November 2025* |
| ✓ | 38GL-26-1788 | Department of Public Health and Social Services | Prior Years Obligation to pay ERC Maintenance in the total amount of \$263.20* |

Kindly reply to this email



Si Yu'os ma'åse',

Marie Crisostomo

Committee on Rules Assistant

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Messages and Communications 38GL-26-1787*

2 messages

Speaker Frank Blas Jr. <speakerblas@guamlegislature.gov>

Tue, Jan 20, 2026 at 9:43 AM

To: 38th Committee On Rules <committeeonrules@guamlegislature.gov>, Sabrina Salas Matanane <office.senatorbri@guamlegislature.gov>

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| 38GL-26-1787 | Southern Guam Soil and Water Conservation District | Board Meeting Packet for November 2025* |
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From: **Daeline Pangelinan** <dpangelinanswcd@gmail.com>

Date: Fri, Jan 16, 2026 at 4:30 PM

Subject: Re: TRANSMITTAL - Submission of FY2025 Board Meeting Documentation – Southern Guam SWCD

To: Speaker Frank Blas Jr. <speakerblas@guamlegislature.gov>Cc: Southern Guam SWCD <southernguamswcd@gmail.com>**TRANSMITTAL - Submission of November Board Meeting Documentation – Southern Guam SWCD**

To Whom It May Concern,

In accordance with Guam's Open Government Law (5 GCA, Ch. 8, § 8111), the Southern Guam SWCD is submitting official board meeting documentation for **November 2025** to *I Liheslatura Guahan*. This submission fulfills the legal requirement to ensure transparency and public access to the proceedings of the district.

The board meeting records are attached as a ZIP file for your review.

If you have any questions, please contact Administrator Erica Pangelinan at southernguamswcd@gmail.com.

Kindly confirm receipt of this email.

Sincerely,

Daeline Pangelinan

Southern Guam Soil and Water Conservation District


On Wed, Aug 6, 2025 at 11:10 AM Daeline Pangelinan <dpangelinanswcd@gmail.com> wrote:*Håfa Adai* Ms. Bernice,

I appreciate you reaching out the other day regarding the Transmittal. As requested, attached below is a folder containing the compressed PDF files for each Board Meeting.

The documents are compiled in the following order:

- Government of Guam, Public Notices Portal
- Guam Daily Post, Government Advertisement
- SGSWCD Board Meeting, Sign-In Sheet

- SGSWCD Board Meeting, Approved Agenda
- SGSWCD Approved Meeting Minutes

 SGSWCD_BM_Transmittal_FY25.zip

Please note that the July 07, 2025 meeting was canceled; however, I have included the advertisement documents in accordance with Public Law.

Should I need to make any further adjustments, please don't hesitate to reach out.

Si Yu'os Ma'åse!
Daeline

On Fri, Aug 1, 2025 at 10:50 AM Speaker Frank Blas Jr. <speakerblas@guamlegislature.gov> wrote:
Hafa Adåi,

Confirming receipt.

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On Fri, Aug 1, 2025 at 10:33 AM Daeline Pangelinan <dpangelinanswcd@gmail.com> wrote:

TRANSMITTAL - Submission of FY2025 Board Meeting Documentation – Southern Guam SWCD

To Whom It May Concern,

My name is Daeline Pangelinan, and I serve as the Conservation Associate for the Southern Guam Soil and Water Conservation District.

In compliance with Guam's Open Government Law, specifically **5 GCA Government Operations, Ch. 8, § 8111**, the Southern Guam Soil and Water Conservation District is submitting the official documentation of FY2025 board meetings to *I Liheslatura Guahan*. This submission fulfills the legal requirement to ensure transparency and public access to the proceedings of the district.

The FY2025 Board Meeting documentation is accessible via the following "view only" shared drive link: [SGSWCD_BM_Records](#)

Should you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Administrator Erica Pangelinan at southernguamswcd@gmail.com.

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Southern Soil and Water Conservation District Regular Board Meeting

Wednesday, July 16, 2025 4:00 PM

University of Guam, College of Natural and Applied Sciences Building, Rm 104

MEETING MINUTES

I. Call to Order & Roll Call

- The meeting was called to order at 4:03 PM.
- District Director Yvonne Manglona-Juaneza conducted a roll call, confirming a quorum.

Board of Directors:

- Chairperson: Michael Aguon - Present (online)
- Vice Chairperson: Glenn Takai - Present (online)
- District Director: Glenn Dulla - Present (online)
- District Director: Yvonne Manglona-Juaneza - Present (online)
- District Director: Martha Tenorio - Excused

Staff Present:

- District Administrator: Erica Pangelinan (EP) - Present
- Program Support Specialist: Jon Tanuvasa - Present
- Conservation Technician: Madeline Flores - Excused
- Project Director: Geraldine Datuin - Excused
- Conservation Associate: Daeline Pangelinan - Present
- Conservation Associate: Jonathan Borja - Present

Also Present:

- UOG Technical Advisor: Mark Acosta
- USDA APHIS Wildlife Services: Chad Richardson
- Northern Guam SWCD (NGSWCD): Savannah Vargas-Garcia (online)



38GL-26-1787
Messages and Communications

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COMMITTEE ON RULES
January 20, 2026

9:43a.m.

Marie Crisostomo

II. Acceptance of Meeting Agenda — District Director Yvonne Manglona-Juaneza motioned to accept the agenda as presented and published in the Guam Daily Post as required, which carried without objection.

III. Approval of Minutes — (06/18/25)

- Director Yvonne Manglona-Juaneza motioned to approve the meeting minutes of June 18, 2025. Vice-Chairperson Glenn Takai seconded the motion. Motion carried without objection.

IV. Treasurer's Report — District Administrator EP presented the Southern District Treasurer's report. As follows

- Account Balances as of 07/16/2025
 - Checking: \$114,389.52
 - General Fund: \$ 114, 389.52
 - TA2023 Grant: \$11,108.74
 - Feral Swine Account: \$4,456.65
 - GACD TA2020: \$23, 878.49
- Note: EP sent an email following up with NGSWCD regarding reimbursement of funds to close-out the GACD TA2020 Grant. EP shared with the board FY2025 payroll services approval, to meet local and federal requirements for district staff, motion needed to approve services.
- Vice-Chairperson Glenn Takai motioned to accept the proposal for payroll services & Treasurer's Report. District Director Yvonne Manglona-Juaneza seconded. Motion carried without objection.

V. Partner Reports

A. USDA NRCS District Conservationist Report — On behalf of Jay Doronila, EP presented an overview of USDA programs and ongoing activities.

- EQIP 1st Round Sign-Up: (19) Applications selected (est. \$475,335.00 pre-obligated). (14) Obligated, Total \$328,108.98 (7 Southern, 7 Northern). (1) Cancelled (Southern). (1) Submitted for review (Northern). (2) Awaiting landowner concurrence (1 Southern, 1 Northern). (1) Possible ineligible, (Northern, no contract response).
- CSP 1st Round Sign-Up: (11) Applications (est. \$230,381 pre-obligated). (7) Obligated (\$150,381) (3) Southern (4) Northern. (1) Awaiting landowner concurrence (Northern). (3) Did not make it due to IRA funding cut, (1 Southern, 2 Northern).
- 2nd Round EQIP - JCLRI Signups: Only 2nd round applications for EQIP-JCLRI and CSP moving forward. FY25 is final year for EQIP-JCLRI; funding reduced to \$200,000 (from \$800,000). (14) Applications assessed and ranked. Eligibility letters pending; site visits to follow.
- Internal Deadlines: July 14, 2025 - Complete EQIP-JCLRI Ranking & Cost Estimates. August 15, 2025 - Obligation deadline for EQIP-JCLRI and CSP.
- Other Announcements: June 23-24: CR Specialist Heather Bailey held in-person CR Inventory training (2nd half; 1st half via AgLearn). FY25v EQIP & CSP sign-ups closed. Guam RCPP terminated due to IRA funding loss. New FY25 RCPP Notice of Funding Opportunity (NFO) forthcoming; NRCS website or email (rcpp@usda.gov).
- SGSWCD Update: EP reported onboarding will begin for Conservation Associates Jonathan and Daeline, while Geraldine is now officially onboarded. EP also announced reactivation of her NRCS security access to participate in upcoming trainings. Congratulations were extended to Madeline and Jon for completing Cultural Resources training.

B. USDA APHIS Wildlife Services, Chad Richardson — Provided an overview on USDA programs and ongoing activities.

- SGSWCD FY25 funds exhausted; (est. over 300) pigs caught in (3) Quarters. Goal is to beat Guam Island record of trapping (1,048) pigs. Requested meeting with SGSWCD Board on upcoming FY26 programs and funding. Thanked SGSWCD Team for continued support and cooperation.
- Inquired with the Guam Mayors Council for additional funding; follow-up and vote results expected at the August 2025 Board meeting.

C. Northern Guam SWCD, Savannah Vargas-Garcia — Reported on NGSWCD updates.

- Expected new GSWCD Board swear-in scheduled for August 26, 2025. Expressed gratitude for sharing SGSWCD Jonathan's assistance at the NGSWCD Educator's Symposium.

VI. Southern District Membership Update

- EP provided updates on the preparation of SOPs for future announcements regarding Southern District Membership. The membership list has been submitted to UOG's Dean's office for the GSWCD election. UOG Technical Advisor, Mark Acosta, confirmed receipt of the submission but noted no response yet regarding any edits.

VII. Old Business

A. NACD TA2024 MOA — Approval

- EP reported, NACD representative (Jenn Nelligan) sent MOA following the previous meeting, however, still does not note RCUOG as main grant source. Awaiting response from NACD.

B. MOA REPI Grant Amendment 2 — Approval

- EP shared REPI updates, NACD will reissue the (\$60,000) mis-deposited into another account, per conversation with Carla, NACD. Dr. Dulla recommended Ms. Gloria or Anthony to track fund deposits.
- EP is coordinating with Patrick Keeler of Guåhan Sentinel Landscape on launching a conservation website and worked with Dr. Dulla to draft a GIS position description, which will go through RCUOG and be shared with Directors for input.

C. NACD Summer Meeting — Approval

- Chairman Michael Aguon will not attend the July 2025 NACD Summer Meeting, due to personal reasons. EP will coordinate with NGSWCD and Martha T. on meeting plans and aims to connect with the new USDA NRCS Chief.

VIII. New Business

A. 2025 GSWCD Election — Update

- EP thanked Mark Acosta for leading the Election. Nominations are open July 15–August 1, 2025. SGSWCD staff mailed certificates and a Call for Nominations letter.
- District Director Yvonne Manglona-Juaneza motioned to approve the ADR as submitted to the UOG Dean’s Office; Director Dr. Glenn Dulla seconded. Motion passed without objection.

B. 2026 NACD Pacific/SW Region Meeting — Approval

- EP reported SGSWCD met with NGSWCD July 03, 2025. Next meeting July 17, 2025. The next recommendation is to move plans to the Committee. SGSWCD representatives consist of Chairman Aguon, Director Martha T. And EP.

IX. Collateral Boards and Committee Served

- Feral Swine Perimeter Fence Committee Update — EP updated on FSPFP (47) applications, (46) Contacted, (9) Rescinded, (32) site visits completed, others unresponsive. Suggested setting a deadline. Director Yvonne Manglona-Juaneza recommended placing unresponsive applicants on an inactive list, held for one year within the program.
- EP noted (25) CPA 52 packages have been submitted. All would need to be revisited due to the new CR training requirements. In addition, Jonathan and Daeline will be at SHPO to track some paperworks to assist with the FSPFP.
- Poster Contest Update — Jonathan and Director Martha T. Are collaborating with NGSWCD on the poster contest and reached out to Director Norma to plan a meeting for further coordination.
- Director Yvonne Manglona-Juaneza shared updates from the NACD Water & Climate Subcommittee. The work-plan focuses on increasing awareness of district programs tied to watershed health and food supply, with outreach opportunities during events like National Estuaries Week, Groundwater Protection Week, and Drinking Water Month.

X. Board Correspondence

- EP noted that Daeline has been diligently preparing the FY25 Board Meeting Submittals, ensuring all documents are accurate, sent and up to date.

XI. Public Announcements

XII. Next Meeting

- The next board meeting session is scheduled for 08/13/2025.

XIII. Executive Session

- The Board moved into executive session.

XIV. Adjournment

- The meeting was adjourned at 5:26 PM.



Daeline Pangelinan, Conservation Associate

Approved By:



08/13/2025

Yvonne Manglona-Juaneza
Secretary

Date



08/13/2025

Michael E.D. Aguon
Chairperson

Date



Southern Soil and Water Conservation District
Regular Board Meeting
Wednesday, August 13, 2025 4:00 PM
University of Guam, College of Natural and Applied Sciences Building, Rm 104

MEETING MINUTES

I. Call to Order & Roll Call

- The meeting was called to order at 4:04 PM.
- District Director Martha Tenorio conducted a roll call, confirming a quorum.

Board of Directors:

- Chairperson: Michael Aguon - Present
- Vice Chairperson: Glenn Takai - Present (online)
- District Director: Glenn Dulla - Present
- District Director: Yvonne Manglona-Juaneza - Present (online)
- District Director: Martha Tenorio - Present

Staff Present:

- District Administrator: Erica Pangelinan - Present
- Conservation Technician: Madeline Flores - Present
- Project Director: Geraldine Datuin - Present
- Conservation Associate: Daeline Pangelinan - Present
- Conservation Associate: Jonathan Borja - Present (online)

Also Present:

- Guam Daily Post: Jonah Benavente
- USDA NRCS: Jay Doronila
- UOG Technical Advisor: Mark Acosta
- Northern Guam SWCD: Joseph C. Santos
- Northern Guam SWCD: Savannah Vargas Garcia
- USDA APHIS Wildlife Services: Chad Richardson

II. Acceptance of Meeting Agenda — District Director Martha Tenorio motioned to accept the agenda as presented and published in the Guam Daily Post. Chairman Michael Aguon noted a duplicate item “2025 SWCD Election - Update” listed under both old and new business. Since the agenda was already published, the item will be addressed under old business. Motion carried without objection.

III. Approval of Minutes — (07/16/2025)

- Director Dr. Glenn Dulla motioned to approve the meeting minutes of July 16, 2025. Director Martha Tenorio seconded the motion. Motion carried without objection.

IV. Treasurer’s Report — District Director Martha Tenorio presented the Southern District Treasurer’s report. As follows

- Account Balances as of 08/13/2025
 - General Fund: \$102,796.61
 - TA2023: \$11,105.67
 - Feral Swine: \$4,459.43
 - GACD TA: \$23,868.49
 - Savings: \$1.20
- Required Actions: Director Dr. Glenn Dulla motioned to transfer and close-out the TA2023 Grant, and to transfer \$27,868.49 into the GACD TA account.
- Payroll Services Update: EP provided an update that our payroll services provider has reviewed the 2023-2024 records, and all filings are current. We are recommended to establish an Electronic Funds Transfer account with the IRS to ensure timely monthly FICA payments. Additionally, we are now implementing the Guam W-4 tax withholding, in compliance with Guam Law.
- Bookkeeping Services Update: EP shared a request for quote was conducted for bookkeeping, prior year audit, and QuickBooks setup; two proposals have been sent to the board for review.
- Director Dr. Glenn Dulla motioned to accept the Treasurer’s Report, seconded by Vice-Chair Glenn Takai; the motion carried without objection.

V. USDA NRCS District Conservation Report, Jay Doronila — presented updates on USDA and NRCS programs and activities.

- 2nd Round EQIP: Continuation of applications/sign-ups. There are 14 applications received and eligible assessed and ranked, 10 out of the applications were selected, site visits underway. Deadline of September 15 for obligation to program.
- NEPA Submittals for FSPFP: (4) of (7), submissions have been received, no impact. Additional submissions are ongoing. Currently awaiting the Section 106 package and input from the cultural resource specialist. Chairman Aguon inquired about any changes related to staff returning to site visits. Jay explained that staff have undergone training, which included the introduction of a new technical note.
- Upcoming Visits and Training: From September 15-19, NRCS Agronomist and GIS Specialist will be on island and available to provide training and assist with completing IRS forms related to agronomy. JB and Corey will be on Guam from October 23-30; an invitation was extended to schedule a meeting with JB. Cultural resource specialist will be on-site October 18-22. Program Specialist will arrive to provide training to District Staff during this period.

VI. Southern District Membership Update

- Chairman Aguon has requested continuous tracking and documentation of approved members during board meetings.

- Board Action: It was agreed to hold Executive Sessions to review membership applications in detail, followed by approval of member names during open sessions (e.g. Cruz, J.; Farmer, Talofoto). The Board of Directors concurred and recommended that the use of Executive Sessions for this purpose is appropriate and feasible.

VII. Old Business

A. 2025 SWCD Election — Update

- UOG Technical Advisor, Mark Acosta provided updates on the SWCD Election. The election process is ongoing. The nomination period closed at noon on August 1. The eligible members list was submitted on July 15 and ratified by the Board on July 16. The election will take place on Tuesday, August 19, from 7:30 AM to 7:30 PM. Two staff members—not Board members or candidates—will assist on Tuesday, with one additional staff member supporting tabulation on Wednesday. Notice was sent via group chat and email. EP noted a public ad was funded by the Southern SWCD with cost-sharing from Northern Guam, totaling \$480.00.
- Director Dr. Glenn Dulla motioned to approve the \$480.00 election ad cost. Vice-Chair Glenn Takai seconded. Motion carried without objection.

B. 2026 NACD Pacific/SW Region Meeting — Approval

- No further action, move to committee for further coordination and updates.
- Director Martha Tenorio shared her experience at the NACD Summer Meeting in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. She discussed Guam’s potential to host a regional meeting with national representatives and noted plans to form a committee—while in Colorado to coordinate attendance information with other regions. Travel costs to Guam were raised as a concern, but a clearer picture will emerge once estimated attendance. EP proposed a presentation or questionnaire to gauge interest in discussing setbacks, obstacles, and related topics.

VIII. New Business

A. 2025 SWCD Election — Update

- Previously discussed under Old Business.

B. SGSWCD Transition Report — Approval

- The transition report shared with the board, outlines key responsibilities for the incoming Board. EP emphasized the need for a smooth, informed transition. Responsibilities include: electing officers, assigning committee roles, completing board training (governance, Guam Law, NACD) adopting a work plan and budget, maintaining project momentum, and strengthening outreach to Southern Guam farmers and landowners.

C. 2025 NACD Summer Meeting Report — Approval

- The report was sent to the Board for review and approval. EP recommended to attend the 2025 NACD Southwest/Pacific Region Meeting to support ongoing planning efforts. Request to send (2) Directors and (1) staff member. This is a budgeted expense and will be ratified at the next Board Meeting.
- Key Updates:
 - NACD Legislative Committee: NRCS faced funding cuts; NACD is advocating to fill gaps. Conservation programs need tracking to evaluate outcomes and effectiveness.
 - NACD Farm Bill Priorities: requesting review of priorities to ensure it's in alignment since development 30 years ago.
- Interjection: Concern raised regarding the timeline for approval and swearing in of the new Board, which may impact the next meeting. Mark shared that the process goes from UOG staff to the UOG President, then to the Governor, but the timeline for official notification remains unclear.
- Director Martha Tenorio motioned to approve travel for the Pacific/SW Region Meeting (2 directors and 1 staff); seconded by Director Dr. Glenn Dulla - no objections. Approved attendees: Chairman Michael Aguon, Director Martha Tenorio, and Administrator Erica Pangelinan.
- Director Dr. Glenn Dulla motioned to approve the submitted report; seconded by Vice-Chair Glenn Takai.

D. NACD TA2023 Final Report — Approval

- EP noted official close-out of TA2023 to commence. No further action needed.

E. HWMO Training August 07-10, 2025 — Ratification

- EP shared the report attached for review about her experience traveling to Hawaii for Firewise USA training, hosted by the National Fire Protection Association. The program helps communities reduce fire risks, with leadership from the community and support from partners like Conservation Districts, Guam Department of Agriculture, and Fire Departments. She received training on how territories collaborate to develop and implement a Firewise plan.
- Director Martha Tenorio made a motion to approve EP's travel report. Director Dr. Glenn Dulla seconded, carried without objection.

IX. Collateral Board and Committees Served

- Southern District Feral Swine Initiative: FSPFP Project Director, Gera Datuin provided updates on the project. (45) applicants, (33) remain after (12) rescinded. (5) site-visits pending (3 off-island, 2 no contact). Formal letters and calls made; applicants unresponsive by end of August will be placed on deferment. Market research on costs for materials, labor, design and for engaging with a contractor to install a fence — meant to grant assistance to farmers in success of fence installation. Submitted drafts contracts for UOG legal; no response after two follow-ups.

- Plan to form committee at next Board Meeting, including Directors Tenorio and Manglona-Juaneza (non-applicants).
- Feral Swine Pig Brig Feasibility Study: EP will meet with representative to discuss data & contracts to discuss how to improve initiative and to report.
- USDA APHIS WS, Chad Richardson: completed the FY2026 proposal draft and input from EP, tailoring it to District needs; the agreement is expected by October 1. USDA APHIS broke a record with over (1,300) pigs caught, additionally, Guam DOAG will contribute \$50,000 in support for feral swine funding.
- Guam SWCD Poster Contest: Conservation Associate, Jonny presented updates on the Poster Contest in coordination with Northern Guam SWCD. There will be three grade-level categories and four prize categories. The letter to the Superintendent and contest guidelines were submitted to the Board for approval.
- NACD Legislative Committee: NACD forwarded JoBeth's email regarding the floodplains spill, EP suggested it would be appropriate to send a response.
- Guahån Sentinel Landscape/REPI: EP, with support from Jonny, shared a draft survey with the Board for review. The survey will be submitted to IRB and aims to identify needs for the Conservation Resource Hub under the new REPI grant. Board inout is requested to help identify gaps and build consensus.
- Public Access Meeting: EP provided details on the upcoming meeting for Friday August 15, 9 AM, at the Guam Museum.
- Drone Map Template — Review Design and Approve: EP presented a draft design of the farmer's drone map template, which will be printed and framed for Southern District Members.
 - Recommended information to include: Member number, date of membership, acreage, soil type, topography, watershed, and village.

X. Board Correspondence

- Request from CNMI - Lodging Sponsorship: Chairman Aguon expressed CNMI Conservation District Representative reached out for lodging assistance for one hotel room at the Pacific/SW Meeting. Chairman expressed his support.
 - Director Dr. Glenn Dulla motioned to approve the sponsorship; Vice-Chair Glenn Takai seconded. Directors Tenorio and Manglona-Juaneza also supported. No objections.
- 2025 Open Government Law Requirements: EP informed the board that Daeline confirmed all requirements are up to date with the Speaker. There are submissions issues with OPA and Central Files, will continue to work together to resolve issue.
- WERI Guam Hydrologic Survey Workshop 2025: Upcoming workshop/training scheduled for August 29, location TBD. Limited to (40) participants.

XI. Public Announcements

XII. Next Meeting

- The next board meeting session is scheduled for 09/17/2025.

XIII. Executive Session

- The Board moved into Executive Session to discuss the TA2023 PSS position, as well as the position descriptions for TA2024 PSS, TA2024 Conservation Planner, and REPI GIS.

XIV. Adjournment

- The meeting was adjourned at 5:08 PM.



Daeline Pangelinan, Conservation Associate

Approved By:



09/24/2025

Yvonne Manglona-Juaneza
Secretary

Date



09/24/2025

Michael E.D. Aguon
Chairperson

Date



Southern Soil and Water Conservation District
Regular Board Meeting with Partners
Wednesday, September 24, 2025 4:00 PM
University of Guam, College of Natural and Applied Sciences Building, Rm 104

MEETING MINUTES

I. Call to Order & Roll Call

- The meeting was called to order at 4:10 PM.
- District Director Yvonne Manglona-Juaneza conducted a roll call, confirming a quorum.

Board of Directors:

- Chairperson: Michael Aguon - Present
- Vice Chairperson: Glenn Takai - Present
- District Director: Glenn Dulla - Present
- District Director: Yvonne Manglona-Juaneza - Present
- District Director: Martha Tenorio - Present

Staff Present:

- District Administrator: Erica Pangelinan (EP) - Present
- Conservation Technician: Madeline Flores - Present
- Project Director: Geraldine Datuin - Present
- Conservation Associate: Daeline Pangelinan - Present
- Conservation Associate: Jonathan Borja - Present

Also Present:

- Guam EPA: Louise Pascua
- Guam EPA: Gabriella Prelosky
- UOG Land Grant: Dr. Rachel Jolley
- UOG Drone Corp: Andrea Velasquez
- UOG Technical Advisor: Mark Acosta
- UOG Extension/District Member: Dr. Robert Bevacqua
- USDA APHIS Wildlife Services: Chad Richardson
- USDA APHIS Wildlife Services: Joe Rabon
- USDA NRCS: Jay Doronila (online)
- Guam BSP/GCMP: Christian Benitez
- Northern Guam SWCD: Savannah V. Garcia (online)
- USDA FSA/District Member: Benny P. San Nicolas (online)

II. Election of Board Officers — The election process was conducted as follows:

- Chairperson: Michael E.D. Aguon - Nominated by Yvonne Manglona-Juaneza, seconded by Martha Tenorio.
- Vice Chairperson: Glenn Takai - Nominated by Yvonne Manglona-Juaneza, seconded by Martha Tenorio; motion to continue previous term in office carried.
- Treasurer: Martha Tenorio
- Secretary: Yvonne Manglona-Juaneza
- Sergeant-at-Arms: Dr. Glenn Dulla

All officers accepted their respective positions and will serve for the FY2026-FY2028 term.

III. Approval of Meeting Minutes — (03/12/25 & 08/13/2025)

- Director Yvonne Manglona-Juaneza motioned to approve the minutes from March 12, 2025, and August 13, 2025, as circulated in advance, unless there are corrections.
- Vice Chairperson Glenn Takai seconded the motion. Motion carried without objection.

IV. Southern District Report — District Administrator EP delivered the report.

A. Milestones & Outreach

- Soil & Water Stewardship Week
- Guam Educators Conservation Summit (GECS)
- Island-Wide Poster Contest

B. 2025 Local Working Group — Resource Priority Rankings

1. Pest Pressure & Invasive Species
2. Water Quality & Quantity
3. Outreach Education & Resources for Farmers
4. Soil Erosion & Health
5. Long-Term Land Protection

C. Program Highlights

- Feral Swine Program (FSPFP) - Feral Swine Perimeter Fencing Program, Pig Brig Feasibility Study, USDA APHIS Partnership. Project Director Geraldine Datuin reported (32) applications submitted, (6) complete packets submitted to USDA NRCS.
- Soil Sampling Services - support for farmers with UOG Soil Lab.
- Drone & GIS Mapping - collaboration with UOG Drone Corps.

D. Technical Assistance

- Active engagement with REPI and Guahån Sentinel Landscape.

E. Partnerships & Representation

- 2026 NACD Pacific Southwest Region Meeting - host in Guam
- Firewise partnership with Guam DOAG
- Glenn Takai elected NACD Pacific Region Vice Chair

F. Looking Ahead

- January Action Planning Session
- Partner agreements and new projects

- Upcoming Conservation and Farmer Trainings
- Soil & Water Stewardship Week 2026
- 2026 Pacific Southwest Region Meeting

V. Partner Reports

- A. USDA APHIS WS** — Chad Richardson reported on the feral swine efforts and introduced Joe Rabon, who oversees the Northern District trapping. He announced the FY26 agreement with SGSWCD, including work on a full-time Feral Swine Trapper. Funds from SGSWCD will support pig trapping for Southern Farmers. Language in the FY26 Pig Brig Feasibility Study was updated to focus on eradication and control efforts.
- B. Guam Bureau of Statistics and Planning, BSP** — Christian Benitez reported on GCMP's collaboration with Guam DOAG on the Guam Forest System Plan, addressing gaps and solutions. He noted Bill 182-38 transferring Lot 527-R1 from CLTC to the Military and called for support due to land-use impacts. Director Yvonne Manglona-Juaneza questioned site choice. He also noted the recent successful Guam Coastal Cleanup and FY26 budget cuts for supplies.
- C. Guam EPA** — Gabriella Prelosky shared that Guam EPA is updating the water quality standards. Public comments are open through December 31, 2025 (to Marget Aguilar), with outreach meetings in the North and South. Updates will be posted on the EPA website. The next Watershed Planning Committee meeting is scheduled for the next quarter.
- D. UOG Drone Corp** — Andrea Velasquez highlighted the partnership with Guam DOAG at the Kinene Plantation and other sites. She noted damaged drone propellers observed during a site visit in Malojloj and emphasized the importance of notifying village mayors of drone missions to prevent further community-related damage.
- E. UOG Extension Horticulturalist/District Member** — Dr. Robert Bevacqua reported the recruitment of a new soil scientist, Kristy, who will begin in two weeks. She brings the credentials needed to support her role which closely aligns with the SGSWCD mission. Vice Chairperson Glenn Takai inquired about interpretations from previous soil samples; the new soil scientist will work on improving and updating past analyses.
- F. Northern Guam SWCD** — Savannah V. Garcia shared that Northern Guam SWCD is preparing for upcoming Agricultural Symposium and recognized Rosanna (NGSWCD) & Jonathan (SGSWCD) for leading the Poster Contest.
- G. USDA NRCS** — Jay Doronila concluded FY25 sign-ups with (30) contracts totaling \$639,000.00, including (23) EQIP contracts totaling \$300,00.00. (16) new EQIP and (9) CSP applications were received, with assistance from Maddy. Specialists visited Guam, Maddy and Geraldine attended NRCS

Business Tools training, covering the Conservation Assessment Reporting Tool, Contract Tool, Document Management System, and Forestry Inventory.

Acknowledgment:

- EP highlighted Daeline Pangelinan’s contributions, recognizing her for taking on many additional duties.

Break and Reconvene:

- Vice-Chairperson Glenn Takai motioned to take a break; Chairperson Michael Aguon seconded. Motion carried.
- The meeting reconvened at 5:40 PM.

VI. Treasurer’s Report — District Director Martha Tenorio presented the Southern District Treasurer’s report. As follows

- Account Balances as of 10/15/2025
 - General Fund: \$120,966.00
 - Feral Swine Account: \$4,459.43
- Notes: The TA2023 Account and GACD TA Accounts closed; \$27,227.00 will be returned to GACD pending ratification. EP reported speaking with Chairman Chris Rosario (NGSWCD) regarding the GACD account meeting and will coordinate once he returns on island.
- Vice Chairperson Glenn Takai motioned to accept the Treasurer’s Report; Director Yvonne Manglona-Juaneza seconded. Motion carried.

VII. Old Business

A. SWCD Election After Action Report — Approval

- The report summarizes election turnout, logistics, and lessons learned, with a recommendation to approve and coordinate with UOG to improve future processes. EP noted challenges with unaligned district member registries between North and South. New onboarding requirements (police/court clearances, affidavits), and the need to determine a transition period.
- Vice Chairperson Glenn Takai motioned to approve the SWCD Election After Action Report; Director Martha Tenorio seconded. Motion carried.

B. 2025 PAC/SW Meeting Report — Approval

- Chairperson Michael Aguon reported receiving a notice from NACD regarding the FY26 PAC/SW Region Meeting in Guam. EP added that NACD’s Board discussed possibly changing the meeting location, but SGSWCD communicated effectively during the conference in Colorado and looks forward to next years event.
- Director Yvonne Manglona-Juaneza moved to approve the 2025 PAC/SW Meeting Report and reimburse authorized travel expenses; Vice Chairperson Glenn Takai seconded. Motion carried.

C. NACD TA 2023 Final Report — Approval

- EP presented the NACD TA 2023 Final Report, noting goals were met and exceeded. Recommendation for approval.
- Director Martha Tenorio motioned to approve the NACD TA 2023 Final Report; Director Dr. Glenn Dulla seconded. Motion carried.

D. SGSWCD Transition Report — Approval

- Jonathan Borja and EP are updating the Educational Training Program required for all incoming Board Directors. The Transition Report will be presented during the training. Recommendation is to schedule training for October 15, 2025 (time TBD).

VIII. New Business

A. FY2026 Budget — Approval

- Chairperson Michael Aguon noted the Governor of Guam vetoed the Legislature's first budget. The Governor then submitted a revised second budget, which the Legislature rejected. The Legislature is currently in session to consider overriding the veto, with funding details still being determined. EP shared the budget submitted reflects what the district is anticipated to receive.
- Vice Chairperson Glenn Takai motioned to approve FY2026 Budget contingent upon approval of the draft budget bill.

B. Bookkeeping Services — Approval

- EP reported the district requires bookkeeping services to manage financial records. A proposal was emailed for review, and approval was recommended.
- Director Yvonne Manglona-Juaneza motioned to approve bookkeeping services; Director Dr. Glenn Dulla seconded. Motion carried.

C. Marketing/Branding Services — Approval

- EP presented a proposal to contract marketing and branding services to strengthen GSLP's visibility under the REPI and SGSWCD brand. Services will be procured through RCUOG under the REPI and TA2024 grants. Approval was recommended.
- Director Yvonne Manglona-Juaneza motioned to approve the marketing and branding services; Director Dr. Glenn Dulla seconded. Motion carried.

D. FSPF Grant Consulting Services — Approval

- FSPF Project Director Geraldine Datuin presented the FSPF grant modification proposal, reporting that (12) farmers had rescinded their applications and outlined plans for the use of excess funds, which include:
 1. Hiring a contractor to complete fence designs, as required by the IR Form to access program funds.

2. Allocating a portion of the funds to provide farmers with an additional \$1,000 stipend ensuring compliance with contractor licensing requirements.
 3. Supporting additional staff and extending the project under a no-cost extension from NACD, to include salary allocations for project personnel and the director.
- Vice-Chairperson Glenn Takai motioned to approve the FSPF grant consulting services and grant scope of work modification; Director Martha Tenorio seconded. Motion carried.

E. 2026 NACD Annual Meeting — Approval

- EP announced that registration of the 2026 NACD Annual Meeting open and requested board approval for attendee participation/registration and breakout session proposals.
- SGSWCD will submit a proposal to NGSWCD for potential funding to support FSPF Project Director Geraldine Datuin’s trip in exchange for FSPF Training. NGSWCD’s Savannah Garcia noted Chairman Chris requested the proposal include a scope of work to identify training needs.
- Vice Chairperson Glenn Takai motioned to approve the recommended participants — Board of Directors, District Administrator, selected Staff, Project Director, and the UOG Technical Advisor — to attend the 2026 NACD Annual Meeting and to submit a breakout session proposal. Director Yvonne Manglona-Juaneza seconded; motion carried.

F. FY2026 USDA APHIS WS Agreement — Approval

- The SGSWCD Board of Directors reviewed the FY2026 USDA APHIS WS Agreement. Initial proposed amount is \$25,000. Vice-Chairperson Glenn Takai commended Chad R. (USDA APHIS WS) of his consistent support and noted that contributing \$25,000 could impact other SGSWCD feral swine programs and future staffing. Chad R. expressed concern over the lower contribution, referencing a prior amount, questioned if the board could still approve the original proposal.
- Director Dr. Glenn Dulla noted that final approval should consider the budget once enacted by the Legislature and governor of Guam.
- Vice-Chairperson Glenn Takai motioned to table discussion on the FY2026 USDA APHIS WS agreement; Martha Tenorio seconded. Motion carried.

G. 2nd Annual Agriculture Symposium Sponsorship — Approval

- EP presented the sponsorship options for the upcoming 2nd Annual Agriculture Symposium.
- Director Glenn Dulla motioned to table the discussion on the 2nd Annual Agriculture Symposium sponsorship; Director Martha Tenorio seconded. Motion carried.

H. 2nd Guam Farmer Focus Conference Sponsorship — Approval

- EP shared that SGSWCD was invited to attend the UOG Farmer Focus Conference at the Hyatt on October 29-30, with two participants allowed and an outreach booth.
- Director Yvonne Manglona-Juaneza motioned to approve SGSWCD's participation and booth at the 2nd Guam Farmer Focus Conference; Director Martha Tenorio seconded. Motion carried.

IX. Committee Reports

- Director Dr. Glenn Dulla motioned to table the Committee Reports; Director Martha Tenorio seconded. The motion carried.

X. Public Comments/Announcements

- Benny San Nicolas (USDA FSA) congratulated the SGSWCD Board of Directors on their re-election and commended Director Takai on his selection as Vice-Chair for the NACD Pacific Region. He noted ongoing challenges with the feral pig population, observing that while more pigs are caught in the north, the issue remains more severe in the southern region due to terrain and environmental factors. Benny also recommended relocating SGSWCD office to a more southern location when funds become available to better serve the district. Consider discussing plans for a future facility. Ensure future elections are more accessible for southern farmers.
- Chairperson Michael Aguon acknowledged Benny S.N.'s point on the need for a satellite voting location and noted that current law designates UOG as the official site. Future plans to expand locations will be discussed.
- The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for October 15, 2025 at 4:00 p.m. The Bi-Monthly Partner Meeting is set for November 12, 2025, at 4:00 p.m.

XI. Executive Session

- Director Martha Tenorio motioned to move into Executive Session at 7:37 PM; Vice-Chairperson Glenn Takai seconded. Motion carried. The board returned from Executive Session at 8:02 PM, noted by Chairperson Michael Aguon.

Discussions and Actions:

- A. Active Membership Application Review — Director Yvonne Manglona-Juaneza motioned to approve new registered members (C.D. Bodell, M. Takai, J.T. Paulino, K.S. Perez, E. Duenas, D. Cruz, K. Perez, M. Aguon); Director Martha Tenorio seconded. Motion carried.
- B. Personnel Action Items — Director Dr. Glenn Dulla motioned to approve the continuation of current staff and positions, increments to SGSWCD Project Director, and the announcement of positions under RCUOG. Director Martha Tenorio seconded. Motion carried.

XII. Adjournment

- Director Martha Tenorio moved to adjourn the meeting; Vice-Chairperson Glenn Takai seconded. Meeting adjourned at 8:04 PM.



Daeline Pangelinan, Conservation Associate

Approved By:



10/15/2025

Yvonne Manglona-Juaneza
Secretary

Date



10/15/2025

Michael E.D. Aguon
Chairperson

Date



Southern Soil and Water Conservation District
Regular Board Meeting
Wednesday, October 15, 2025 4:00 PM
University of Guam, College of Agriculture and Life Sciences Building, Rm 202

MEETING MINUTES

I. Call to Order & Roll Call

- The meeting was called to order at 4:04 PM.
- District Director Martha Tenorio conducted a roll call, confirming a quorum.

Board of Directors:

- Chairperson: Michael Aguon - Present
- Vice Chairperson: Glenn Takai - Excused
- District Director: Glenn Dulla - Present
- District Director: Yvonne Manglona-Juaneza - Present (online)
- District Director: Martha Tenorio - Present

Staff Present:

- District Administrator: Erica Pangelinan (EA) - Present
- Conservation Planner: Madeline Flores - Present
- Project Director: Geraldine Datuin - Present
- Conservation Associate: Daeline Pangelinan - Present
- Conservation Associate: Jonathan Borja - Present

Also Present:

- UOG Technical Advisor: Mark Acosta
- USDA APHIS Wildlife Services: Chad Richardson
- Northern Guam SWCD: Savannah V. Garcia (online)

II. Acceptance of Meeting Agenda — District Director Martha Tenorio motioned to accept the agenda as presented and published. Which carried without objection.

III. Approval of Minutes — (09/24/25)

- Director Martha Tenorio motioned to approve the meeting minutes of September 24, 2025.
- Director Dr. Glenn Dulla seconded the motion. Motion carried without objection.

IV. Treasurer's Report — District Director Martha Tenorio presented the Southern District Treasurer's report. As follows

- Account Balances as of 10/15/2025
 - General Fund: \$108,881.53
 - Feral Swine Account: \$4,462.24
 - Savings: \$1.29
- FY2025 expenses have been compiled and published for review. Preparations are underway to submit the report to the University of Guam. The Bookkeeper is now onboard and in the process of setting up the financial reporting system in QuickBooks.
- Director Dr. Glenn Dulla motioned to accept the Treasurer's Report, and District Director Yvonne Manglona-Juaneza seconded. The motion carried without objection.

V. Administrator Report, Erica Alvarez (EA) — presented updates on the Southern Guam SWCD

- EA reported that USDA NRCS partner Jay was unable to attend due to the federal shutdown, highlighting updates on district operations and staffing; operations remain steady with regular Monday Zoom and in-office meetings. A safety and health inspection will be done with the University of Guam and thanked the team for ensuring office compliance. Noting three ongoing projects:
 - **NACD REPI Grant** — Survey developed with Jonathan for partners regarding the Guam Conservation Resource Hub; IRB process completed.
 - **Pig Brig Project** — After-action review and proposal completed.
 - **Feral Swine Perimeter Fence Program** — Project Director Gera, provided updates: (3) farmers rescinded, down to (29) applicants; (4) Environmental Assessments (EA) submitted this month, (10) total; (2) EA's approved, pending fence design; (19) EA's pending. Delays are attributed to the federal shutdown. Stipend reallocations were approved to allow contractors to assist with fence design. The request to move remaining stipend funds to the salary assist with fence design. The request to move remaining funds to the salary category is pending additional information. Kenisha suggested increasing the number of participating farmers,; however, EA and Dr. Glenn Dulla noted timeline concerns due to current delays. The recommended approach is to allow existing farmers to expand fencing beyond one acre and lift the \$13,811 cap based on linear-foot requirements.
 - **Motion:** Director Dr. Glenn Dulla motioned to approve the revised plan; Director Martha seconded. Motion carried.
 - **Discussion:** Director Yvonne questioned why a CATEX was not used instead of full EA's. FSPFP Project Director Gera D., clarified that the CPA 52 is NRCS's Categorical Exclusion (CATEX), equivalent and is part of the EA process.
 - EA reported a successful feral swine roundtable meeting. Director Dr. Dulla noted that the GIS position and other vacancies have been posted. Website services have been successfully procured.

- UOG Technical Advisor, Mark Acosta, reported on the Technical Assistance Grant. Madeline F. is now officially under RCUOG as a Conservation Planner. EA noted additional upcoming hires: Program Support Assistant, Resource Technician, and Outreach Specialist. Two NACD grants available:
 - NACD Grant (\$2,500) for PPE, gloves, district merch.
 - TA2025 Grant — New round opened.

VI. Old Business

A. FY2026 Budget

- EA reported that the FY2026 Budget has been approved and included in the binders for reference. Budget law has passed; no further action required.

B. FY2026 USDA APHIS WS Agreement

- The agreement was previously tabled. A proposal was prepared to support pig brig efforts. Agreement was provided to directors for review.
- **Motion:** Dr. Glenn Dulla motioned to accept the USDA APHIS WS Agreement in the amount of \$12,500; Director Yvonne seconded. Motion carried. 2nd Annual Agriculture Symposium
- Chairman expressed appreciation for the collaboration. Further discussion occurred among Chad, EA, and Dr. Dulla.

C. 2nd Guam Farmer Focus Conference

- EA reported the event has concluded and was tabled last meeting; no additional action required. Chad noted successful outreach. Savannah (Northern Guam SWCD) reported a strong turnout despite the federal shutdown. Director Martha noted positive media exposure.

D. 2nd Guam Farmer Focus Conference Sponsorship

- EP noted the conference is scheduled for October 29–31. Martha, Dr. Dulla, Jonathan B., and Daeline P. will staff the outreach booth.
- Madeline successfully registered (5) farmers under the available scholarship program; (30) scholarships remain available.

VII. New Business

A. OTECH Formal Letter of Request

- EA reported efforts to establish government-affiliated emails for directors and staff, including a group email for active district members. Daeline P. is coordinating with OTECH, and a formal request has been submitted.

Motion: Director Dr. Glenn Dulla motioned to accept the OTECH Formal Letter of Request; Director Martha Tenorio seconded. Motion carried.

B. Pig Brig Program Proposal

- Proposal tabled per Director Dr. Glenn Dulla's recommendation due to Director Glenn Takai's absence. The board agreed to table.

C. Federal Lapse in Funding Contingency Plan

- Director Dr. Glenn Dulla reported that Danica (RCUOG) confirmed NACD advances. As long as reserves are replenished, furloughs will not be necessary.
- **Motion:** Director Martha motioned to approve development of a contingency plan; Dr. Dulla seconded. Motion carried.

D. SWCD Director Educational Training Program

- Jonathan B. reported on the development of the required online training program per the Guam Code Annotated for boards and commissions. He noted the need for directors to use an accessible email to receive Google Classroom invitations. EA acknowledged Jonathan's great work.

VIII. Collateral Board and Committees Served

- Pacific/SW Regional Meeting: Scheduled meeting with the Governor's Chief of Staff on October 17, 2025, at 10:00 AM at Adelup.
- NACD Committee Meeting: Regular NACD Committee Meeting scheduled for 12:00 PM, October 17, 2025 via online.
 - Director Yvonne noted her subcommittee meets at approximately 3:00 AM Guam time. Chairman Aguon recommended raising the issue with the committee to explore a more suitable meeting time.

IX. Board Correspondence

- EA noted that October is Arbor Month and proposed coordinating a tree-planting event with the Mayor of Yona. Jonathan and Daeline will attend.

X. Public Announcements

- Next Meeting is scheduled for November 19, 2025.

XI. Executive Session

- Director Dr. Glenn Dulla motioned to move into Executive Session at 5:04 PM; Director Martha Tenorio seconded. Motion carried. The board returned from Executive Session at 5:02 PM, noted by Chairperson Michael Aguon.

Discussions and Actions:

- A. Active Membership Application Review** — Director Martha Tenorio motioned to approve new registered members (D. Naputi, F. Cabrera, J. Taquero, J. Aguon); Director Yvonne Manglona-Juaneza seconded. Motion carried.

XII. Adjournment

- Director Martha Tenorio moved to adjourn the meeting; Director Yvonne Manglona-Juaneza seconded. Meeting adjourned at 5:25 PM.

Minutes Prepared By:
Daeline Pangelinan, Conservation Associate

Approved By:



11/26/2025

Yvonne Manglona-Juaneza
Secretary

Date



11/26/2025

Michael E.D. Aguon
Chairperson

Date



Southern Soil and Water Conservation District
Bi-Monthly Partner Meeting
Wednesday, November 19, 2025 4:00 PM
University of Guam, College of Agriculture and Life Sciences Building, Rm 202

MEETING MINUTES

I. Call to Order & Roll Call

- The meeting was called to order at 4:03 PM.
- Chairperson Michael Aguon conducted a roll call, confirming a quorum.

Board of Directors:

- Chairperson: Michael Aguon - Present
- Vice Chairperson: Glenn Takai - Unexcused
- District Director: Glenn Dulla - Present
- District Director: Martha Tenorio - Excused
- District Director: Yvonne Manglona-Juaneza - Present

Staff Present:

- District Administrator: Erica Alvarez (EA) - Present
- Conservation Planner: Madeline Flores - Present
- Project Director: Geraldine Datuin - Present
- Conservation Associate: Jonathan Borja - Present
- Conservation Associate: Daeline Pangelinan - Present

Also Present:

- District Member: Rey Llaneta
- District Member: John Peralta
- District Member: Jennifer Peralta
- Northern Guam SWCD: Bill McDonald
- Northern Guam SWCD: Frank Santos Jr.
- Guahån Sentinel Landscape: Patrick Keeler
- Guam Beekeepers Association: Maria Schefter
- Guam Department of Agriculture: Chelsa Muna
- Guam Department of Agriculture: Shaylin Salas
- Guam Department of Agriculture: Amber Powers
- Guam Department of Agriculture: Jeffrey Quitugua
- USDA APHIS Wildlife Services: Jathan Meno
- USDA APHIS Wildlife Services: Chad Richardson
- USDA APHIS Wildlife Services: Charlene Hopkins

- USDA NRCS: Jay Doronila
- UOG: Lisa Salisbury
- UOG: Henin Pamintuan
- UOG Drone Corp: Andrea Velasquez
- UOG Technical Advisor: Mark Acosta
- UOG Soil Scientist: Christianah Oladoye
- UOG Technical Advisor: Roland Quitugua
- UOG Extension/District Member: Dr. Robert Bevacqua
- Guam Environmental Protection Agency: Margaret Aguilar

II. Acceptance of Meeting Agenda — District Director Dr. Glenn Dulla motioned to accept the agenda as presented and published in the Guam Daily Post as required, which carried without objection.

III. Approval of Minutes — (09/22/2025)

- EA noted that the minutes from the September 24, 2025 meeting were presented and previously approved.

IV. Welcoming Remarks & District Updates — Chairperson Michael Aguon provided welcoming remarks and underscored the district’s mission and commitment to conservation, emphasizing trust, teamwork, and respect. He reiterated the district’s role as a locally led entity representing producers and thanked partners and farmers for their continued support. District Administrator EA provided the district updates as follows:

- She reported that the district is strengthening its team, with staff well-versed in education and outreach, and noted that several members are pursuing NRCS Planner Certification to enhance technical capacity. EA shared that the district is preparing a grant proposal to continue the Technical Assistance Program, with the goal of increasing conservation plans and practice adoption. She also announced an upcoming island-wide survey in collaboration with the Guahån Sentinel Landscapes Partnership, with the survey link to be distributed by Patrick Keeler. Additionally, the district will host its inaugural District Membership Meeting to foster member engagement. EA also announced that Guam will serve as host for the NACD Pacific Southwest Region Meeting from August 24–28, 2026.

V. Partner Spotlight — EA introduced Dr. Christianah Oladoye, Assistant Professor of Soil Fertility and Plant Nutrition at the University of Guam College of Natural and Applied Sciences.

- Dr. Christianah Oladoye expressed her interest and commitment to working with the community and local farmers. She highlighted her background in horticulture and drip irrigation, noting that 25% of her role involves extension work. She encouraged individuals to reach out for support and welcomed feedback on how she can best serve the community, providing her contact information for follow-up.

VI. Partner Reports — Partners were invited to share impacts of the recent federal shutdown. Feedback will be submitted to NACD, which is gathering information nationwide.

A. University of Guam, Drone Corp — Andrea Velasquez

Andrea Velasquez leads the farm mapping efforts for SG-SWCD. She reported that (24) farms have been mapped, with (9) remaining, and that the recent shutdown had minimal impact on operations.

B. USDA NRCS, Jay Doronila

Jay Doronila reported the USDA NRCS office recently returned from furlough and is receiving guidance on resuming normal operations. He noted that the FY26 CSP and EQIP application deadline has been extended to January 25, 2026, and provided leadership updates, including the reassignment of Aster B. and the appointment of Emily F. as the new West Regional Director. Also reported that CSP payment delays occurred due to the shutdown and that guidance is pending for releasing payments. Additionally, it was suggested to invite the new NRCS Chief, Aubrey, to the Pacific Southwest Meeting and to encourage annual leadership visits.

C. USDA Wildlife Services, Chad Richardson

Chad Richardson leads the USDA APHIS WS feral swine control program and noted that cooperative agreements allowed work to continue during the shutdown. He reported that active traps are deployed in the southern region with multiple recent captures. Funding support is expected to continue pending DOA signature approvals.

D. Northern Guam SWCD

The Northern Guam Soil & Water Conservation District announced that its first board and staff training is scheduled for December, with ongoing collaboration planned with SGSWCD and the local working group. The partnership agreement with Island Girl is progressing, and both boards are scheduled to review the 2027 budget draft.

District Director Bill McDonald (NG-SWCD) shared that he is assisting a producer with tunnel construction, which was temporarily paused during the shutdown. He expressed concerns regarding federal benefits but noted that he was able to manage overall. He also emphasized his primary role as a farmer.

District Director Frank Santos Jr. (NG-SWCD) shared ongoing challenges with erosion, downed trees, fire ants, and wet-season conditions. He stated that the federal shutdown added stress and contributed to delays in addressing these issues.

E. District Member/Farmer, Rey Llaneta

Rey Llaneta, a retired military member and farmer, encouraged the use of informal potluck gatherings as a way to share information and strengthen community connections. He noted that the military-affiliated group discusses food security concerns daily, with the shared goal of building community resilience.

F. Guam Environment Protection Agency, Margaret Aguilar

Margaret Aguilar from Guam EPA shared that Guam currently has (31) impaired fresh and marine water bodies, with the TMDL plan addressing fish tissue contamination, including PCB issues. She reported that GEPA is collaborating with the Coral Reef Initiative and partner agencies to address litter and watershed impacts, and that a coral mortality event occurred in Piti following heavy rainfall. GEPA is updating its non point-source plan and integrated report and is seeking public feedback.

G. Guam Department of Agriculture (DOAG), Chelsa Muna-Barnes

Director Chelsa Muna-Barnes of Guam DOAG reported that the FY26 budget was cut by over 400,000, leaving \$32,000 after obligations. Efforts are ongoing to access lapsed funds and continue hiring. The nursery is operational following minor fire ant treatments, with two new trucks secured for farm visits. She shared that anticipated federal impacts on staffing and operations are being monitored and that funding for pig management and GHURA CDBG VR funds for nursery improvements are being pursued. Additional vehicles and trapping equipment have also been secured. Funding for the micro-grant program, paused during the shutdown, is back on track, and the FY26 state plan is awaiting federal approval. Forestry community grant applications will open in January (\$45,000 total, \$10,000 per project) to support urban forestry and community planting, and the Sentinel Landscapes MOA finalized. A (\$250,000) sub-grant is allocated for feral pig and dog trapping, with additional conservation officer hires planned. Low applicant turnout was noted for grant-funded positions requiring skills in trees, native plants, or animal handling.

- **Technical Guidance - Permits**

A surge in grading permit requests was noted, with approximately (12) received in one week. Positions remain available for endangered species and wildlife conservation work.

- **Local Produce Procurement**

Agencies are encouraged to purchase locally, with (70) farmers expressing interest in becoming government suppliers. Efforts continue to match produce needs quarterly and streamline processes.

- **Community Listening Sessions**

Quarterly sessions continue with leadership present to address public questions. The RFSI Grant is in final review, with MOA's expected by December.

- **Mentored Hunts**

In partnership with Guahån Sustainable Culture, free hunter education courses were offered on November 22, 2025, with mentored hunts planned January-April 2026 at the Hamamoto property and an island-wide corporate hunt scheduled for May during pig harvest season. These events also provide opportunities to monitor invasive species such as hornets.

- **Ayap Workshop**

Facilitated with support from SG-SWCD Director Martha T., the workshop focused on the sterile ayap (pandanus) used for weaving. Plans are underway

to plant ayap in public spaces, and tree planting was conducted on campus during Arbor Month.

VII. Announcements

- Next Bi-Monthly Partner Meeting: January 14, 2025

VIII. Adjournment

- The meeting was adjourned at 5:15 PM.

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Yvonne Manglona-Juaneza
Secretary



Michael E.D. Aguon
Chairperson



Southern Soil and Water Conservation District
Regular Board Meeting
Wednesday, November 26, 2025 5:00 PM
University of Guam, College of Agriculture and Life Sciences Building, Rm 202

MEETING MINUTES

I. Call to Order & Roll Call

- The meeting was called to order at 4:59 PM.
- District Director Martha Tenorio conducted a roll call, confirming a quorum.

Board of Directors:

- Chairperson: Michael Aguon - Present
- Vice Chairperson: Glenn Takai - Unexcused
- District Director: Glenn Dulla - Excused
- District Director: Yvonne Manglona-Juaneza - Present (online)
- District Director: Martha Tenorio - Present

Staff Present:

- District Administrator: Erica Pangelinan - Present
- Conservation Planner: Madeline Flores - Present
- Project Director: Geraldine Datuin - Excused
- Conservation Associate: Jonathan Borja - Present
- Conservation Associate: Daeline Pangelinan - Present

Also Present:

- UOG Technical Advisor: Mark Acosta
- Northern Guam SWCD: Savannah V. Garcia

II. Acceptance of Meeting Agenda — District Director Martha Tenorio motioned to accept the agenda as presented and published in the Pacific Daily News as required, which carried without objection.

III. Approval of Meeting Minutes — (10/15/2025)

- District Director Dr. Glenn Dulla motioned to approve the meeting minutes of October 15, 2025.
- District Director Yvonne Manglona-Juaneza seconded the motion. Motion carried without objection.

IV. Treasurer's Report — District Director Martha Tenorio presented the Southern District Treasurer's report. As follows

- Account Balances as of 11/26/2025
 - Savings: \$1.20
 - Checking: \$103,624.71
 - Feral Swine Account: \$4,462.24
- Statement of Activity and Balance Sheet were made available via WhatsApp and email.
- Director Yvonne Manglona-Juaneza motioned to accept the Treasurer's Report. Director Martha Tenorio seconded the motion. Carried without objection.

V. Administrator Report, Erica Alvarez (EA) —

- EA reported that the federal shutdown has been lifted and technical staff are back in office at NRCS. Coordination with Mark continues on the Technical Assistance Grant, including ongoing outreach and training efforts. Collaboration with Dr. King on a potential GIS position is being explored, and branding efforts are progressing with a new secured consultant. Updates on the Islandwide Poster Contest included received submissions, development of student materials, an extended NACD deadline, and a proposed (\$1,000) budget for top winners. Additional updates included participation in the Farmer Focus Conference, Arbor Month tree planting collaboration with DOAG and the Yona Mayor's Office, Chairman Aguon's involvement in the NACD Legislative Committee meeting, and preparations for both the NACD Annual Meeting and an upcoming General Membership Meeting.
- Director Martha Tenorio motioned to accept the Administrator's Report as presented; Director Yvonne Manglona-Juaneza seconded. Motion carried without objection.

VI. Old Business

A. Pig Brig Program Proposal

- Proposal submitted to the committee for review. Hiring of a technician is essential for implementation. Updated job announcement shared; board action required to proceed with hiring.
- Director Martha Tenorio moved to table the Pig Brig Proposal and begin the hiring process. Director Yvonne Manglona-Juaneza seconded. Motion passed.

B. SWCD Director Educational Training Program

- Jonathan Borja reported that training certificates are ready for filing. All directors have completed training except for Director Takai. Board commended Jonathan for developing the training modules. Recommended to offer training for District members.

C. 2026 NACD Annual Meeting

- Lodging secured; TAs to be submitted at the next board meeting. Resolution drafts have been completed.

- Approved Breakout Sessions:
 - Feral Swine - February 18, 2026, 1:30 PM (30 minutes)
 - The Stewardship Blueprint - February 18, 2026, 4:00 PM (1 hour)
- Outreach Booth Options:
 - Standard: \$875 (includes one free registration)
 - Premium: \$1,500 (includes 1.5 free registrations)
- **Discussion:** Chairman Aguon initiated a discussion on partnering with NG-SWCD for booth collaboration.
- Director Martha Tenorio motioned to purchase the Premium Outreach Booth package; Director Yvonne Manglona-Juaneza seconded. Motion passed.

VII. New Business

A. USDA NRCS MOA — Approval

- Review of MOU and UCA drafts underway.
- Director Martha Tenorio moved to approve the USDA NRCS MOA pending completion of the review. Director Yvonne Manglona-Juaneza seconded. Motion passed.

B. Islandwide Poster Contest Budget — Approval

- IPC Coordinator Jonathan Borja announced winners have been selected for the poster contest. A proposed budget and updated timeline was presented.
- Director Martha Tenorio moved to approve the submitted budget. Director Yvonne Manglona-Juaneza seconded. Motion passed.

C. 2025 NACD Executive Board Member Retreat

- NACD Executive Board Member Michael Aguon to attend. Board approval required. Travel Authorization forms presented.
- Director Martha Tenorio moved to approve Chairman Michael Aguon's attendance at the NACD Executive Board Member Retreat. Director Yvonne Manglona-Juaneza seconded. Motion passed.

D. Joint SWCD Committee Appointments

- The board agreed to table the recommended appointments.

E. NACD Grant Applications — Approval

- Friends of NACD Grant: Restoring Resilience (R&R)
- TA2025 NACD Grant: SG-TACT: Southern Guam Technical Assistance for Conservation & Training
- Director Martha Tenorio motioned to submit both grant applications; Director Yvonne Manglona-Juaneza seconded. Motion carried.

F. Taiwan Travel Abroad Program — Approval

- Request to send (4) representatives to accompany Dr. Kuan to Taiwan. Board approval required.

- Director Yvonne Manglona-Juaneza motioned to approve sending Chairman Aguon, District Director Martha and Administrator Erica, and staff Maddy to accompany Dr. Kuan to Taiwan, with costs of \$2,500 per person covered by the District; Director Martha Tenorio seconded. Motion carried without objection.

VIII. Collateral Board and Committees Served

- NACD Legislative Committee - December 5, 2025. 7::00 AM
- GISC Meeting - December 4, 2025, 10AM
 - Savannah Garcia (NG-SWCD) drafted the letter; Dr. Dulla assisting with revisions. EA to send final version to the board, Savannah, and Director Chelsa (Guam DOAG). Recommendation to submit to NACD for review and input, then send to GISC for formal adoption and submission.

IX. Public Announcements

- Governor’s Meeting on PACSW — December 3, 10:00 AM
- Guahån Sentinel Landscape Meeting — December 18, 1:00–5:00 PM

X. Next Meeting

- The next board meeting session is scheduled for 12/17/2025 (appreciation dinner).

XI. Executive Session

- Personnel Action Items
- Active Membership Application Review

XII. Adjournment

- The meeting was adjourned at 5:46 PM.

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