**Resolution 2024- (4)**

**A Resolution for the Members of the California Association of Resource Conservation Districts (CARCD) to Direct the CARCD Board of Directors to Establish and Convene a Standing Finance Committee**

WHEREAS, The California Association of Resource Conservation Districts (CARCD) is organized under the Nonprofit Public Benefit Corporation Law of the State of California, as set forth in the California Corporations Code; and

WHEREAS, The CARCD Board is required to manage the affairs of the CARCD consistent with the powers and purposes of the CARCD, the provisions of the Bylaws, and policies established by resolution of the general membership; and

WHEREAS, The CARCD Board is required to keep the Member Districts currently informed of the CARCD's affairs and activities; and

WHEREAS, The Bylaws establish five (5) Standing Committees: Nominating, Policy, Forestry, Land and Soil, and Water; and

WHEREAS, Per the Bylaws the CARCD Board may establish other standing committees and define their functions; and

WHEREAS, there is a fiduciary duty and need for a Standing Finance Committee for the purposes of:

- Developing and Managing an Operating Budget;
  - Establishing Financial Goals and Objectives;
  - Presenting Financial Goals to Board of Directors;
  - Establishing and Managing Funding Strategies;
  - Complying with Federal, State, and Local Reporting Requirements

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the CARCD Membership does hereby direct to CARCD Board of Directors to take the following actions:

a. Direct the CARCD Policy Committee to determine whether a Standing Finance Committee currently exists; and, if so, to initiate the process for soliciting and appointing Resource Conservation District representatives from throughout the state to serve on the committee and to develop policies and procedures governing all CARCD financial matters; or
b. If no Standing Finance Committee exists, follow the procedures set forth in the Bylaws to establish such a committee and appoint member district representatives with demonstrated interest, knowledge, and expertise in nonprofit financial management.