

AGENDA

DATE: Wednesday, December 9th, 2015

PLACE: Marin County Farm Bureau, 520 Mesa Road, Point Reyes Station, CA 94956

1. Regular Meeting opening at <u>9:30</u> am. Roll call and introduction of guests.

ACTION ITEMS

- 2. MARIN RCD, MINUTES AND FINANCIALS 15 min.
 - A. Board approval of Regular Meeting Minutes
 - B. Board approval of RCD financial reports and bills to be paid
 - C. Board approval of Marin RCD FY 2014/15 Annual Audit.
- 3. CONSERVING OUR WATERSHEDS: PHASE III 30 min.
 - A. Request Board approval of concept sign proposal for Keyes Creek Restoration Project.
 - B. Request Board approval of revised scope of work, cost estimate and to execute Landowner Authorization Agreement amendment for Water Development Project #2010.06 on a tributary to Tomales Bay.
 - C. Request Board approval of scope of work, cost estimate and Landowner Authorization Agreement for Riparian Fencing Project #2015.11 on Lagunitas Creek.
 - D. Request Board approval of Categorical Exemption under California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines, Class 3 CCR §15303 for Project #2015.11.
- **4.** CONSERVING OUR WATERSHEDS: PHASE IV, V & MEASURE A 30 min.
 - A. Request Board approval of Technical Advisory Group recommended ranking of 2016 Conserving Our Watershed Projects and proceeding with design, cost estimation and the CEOA approval process.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS - 11:00 a.m.

- **5.** UPDATES/PROGRAMS/PRESENTATIONS 30 min.
 - Marin Municipal Water District Greg Andrew, Fishery Biologist
 - **Students and Teachers Restoring a Watershed –** Vanessa Wyant, Point Blue Students and Teachers Restoring a Watershed
 - USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service Kristan Flynn, Rangeland Manager
 - Marin Agricultural Land Trust/SAP Jim Jensen, Stewardship Team

Program Updates:

- Marin Coastal Permit Coordination Program Construction projects are all completed for the year! Revegetation projects are now in progress.
- Marin Carbon Project –13 site visits at ranches were conducted to rank projects for planning efforts. Results are being evaluated by the Marin Carbon Project Advisory Committee. Question remains: should planning recipients be approved by the RCD Board? RCD staff and partners presented to legislative aids at a field tour and at the CARCD training session in Yosemite. STRAW conducted carbon plantings at two sites: a hedgerow and riparian buffer.

- **Black Mountain Roads** 973ft of roads were addressed, installing 9 rolling dips, 425cy of road rock, 2 cross road drains, decommissioning 1 stream crossing, restoring 300 ft of streambanks, excavating and removing approximately 928cy of fill and unstable material from sensitive stream areas, and installing 3 grade control structures.
- Urban Streams
 Throughout the October November period the Urban Streams
 Coordinator carried out three creek clean-up events, three educational workshops, conducted five site visits and has been planning for a collaborative workshop in December. The USC and Executive Director will be meeting with county staff in December to discuss the future of the Program. Please see report for additional information.
- **Pine Gulch Restoration Project** A construction check was conducted on November 24th by CA Dept. Fish and Wildlife engineer and contract manager. A bulleted list of button up details will be followed up on prior to closing out the project.
- **Americano Creek Watershed** Gold Ridge and Sonoma RCDs have proposed to perform the dairy waiver water quality monitoring for the Farm Bureau's Dairy group and are waiting for a response.
- **Tomales Bay/Walker Watershed** All construction is now complete. Planting season is in full swing.
- **Dairy Waiver** Staff attended the Dairy Quality Assurance workshop presentation on the requirements of the dairy waiver. Workshops will be held in the ensuing year for dairies needing to complete Facility Monitoring, Waste Management, Grazing Management, Nutrient Management Plans.
- Media/Outreach: No media attention this month but take a look at our new RCD flyers!
- **Grant Proposals:** No activity. Nancy is arranging one on one meetings with partners to explore community needs.
- **District:** Completed audit! Developed website for purposes of transparency and accountability per recommendation of the Marin County Civil Grand Jury. Attended CA Association of RCDs Conference. Initiated work on RCD Leadership Academy. Hank provided Personnel Policy Manual for review.
- Landowner Requests: 30 calls were received in response to the Conserving Our Watersheds notice for funding. Projects were visited and are being evaluated by the Technical Advisory Committee.

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Jeff Creque receives NRCS Innovation Award at State Conference!
- Krystan Flynn receives NRCS Planner Award at State Conference and she is leaving us⊗!
- December 5th. Soil Bioengineering/Erosion Control/Rainwater Harvesting Workshop. Spirit Rock Center 12p-3p
- January 6th. Carbon Training for RCD Staff. Petaluma.

7. CORRESPONDENCE

None

8. PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comment for any matter not listed on this agenda, provided that no Board action is to be taken. All statements that require a response will be referred to staff to be placed on the next agenda.

9. MEETING ADJOURNED