



AGENDA

DATE: **Wednesday, July 8, 2026**

PLACE: **Marin Farm Bureau Conference Room, 520 Mesa Road, Point Reyes Station, CA 94956**

REMOTE OPTION: Members of the public may participate remotely by Zoom:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87864206727> or by phone: +16699009128,,87864206727# meeting ID: 878 6420 6727. Please contact Elise Suronen at (415) 663-1170 ext. 314, or sarahs@marinrcd.org if you have concerns about accessibility. **(Note that we may move agenda items in this meeting to meet time constraints of participants.)**

1. Regular meeting opens at **9:00 a.m.** Roll call, introduction of guests

ACTION ITEMS: 9:15 - 10 a.m.

2. DISTRICT/ADMIN: (15 min)

- A. Board approval of regular Meeting Minutes. ~ *Cora Richard, Bookkeeper*
- B. Board approval of the Financial Report. ~ *Cora Richard, Bookkeeper*
- C. Approval of the Marin RCD Records Retention Policy ~ *Nancy Scolari, Marin RCD Executive Director*

3. PROGRAMS: (45 min)

- A. Approve the 2026-2030 Nature Conservancy-Marine Resource Conservation District Cooperative and Task Agreements for work in the Point Reyes National Seashore. ~ *Nancy Scolari, Marin RCD Executive Director*

4. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS: (9:45-11 a.m.)

- **Marin RCD Strategic Implementation Plan** ~ *Elise Suronen, Marin RCD Ops and Impacts Director (20 min)*
- **Walker Creek Fish Counts** ~ *Mary Olswang, CA Dept of Fish and Wildlife (20 min)*

Partner Updates: 3 min each

- USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS)– Petaluma Field Office Staff
- Marin Agricultural Land Trust/SAP – MALT Stewardship Staff
- Point Blue & Students & Teachers Restoring a Watershed (STRAW)– Point Blue Staff
- All Hands Ecology/ACR - Jim Jensen, Tomales Bay Land Steward and Preserve Mgr
- Marin Farm Bureau - Farm Bureau Representative
- Marin County Weights and Measures - Joe Deviney, Ag Commissioner
- Point Reyes National Seashore / The Nature Conservancy

RCD Program Updates (See staff report for details):

- **Richard L Plant Scholarship Fund** - *George Clyde, Marin RCD Associate Director*
- **Water Expansion:** *John Dolcini, Marin RCD Associate Director*

- **Federal Funding:** The new Agricultural Marketing for Producers (AMP) program is now open for applications.
- **Justice Equity Diversity Inclusion (JEDI):** FIGR is reviewing a new Tribal Consultation document for MRCD staff and will report back with feedback. The JEDI Committee met this spring to discuss an RCD DEI statement and will continue the discussion this summer.
- **Media/Messaging/Outreach:** We are working on our next newsletter.
- **Biomass Project:** The Marin Biomass Project is conducting outreach and pursuing implementation of recommendations in *The Marin Biomass Study*.
- **Permit Coordination Program (PCP):** Ongoing review of Vegetation Treatment Plan for All Hands Ecology's Preserves: Martin Griffin, Cypress Grove and Tom's Point. Exploring options for updating PCP analysis.
- **Urban Streams Program:** During the month of June, Phillips has been focused on the final preparation and release of the Request for Proposals (RFP) for NOAA's Tomales Bay Tires Assessment/Study. Phillips partnered with WSP and Marin Water to offer a restoration day for volunteers at a former Landowner Assistance Program project site. Phillips invited SPAWN to support restoration on a private property in Forest Knolls. She held another well-attended Lagunitas TAC meeting at Marin Water's headquarters as Vice Chair. Finally, she attended a plethora of various meetings and toured Corte Madera Creek project site, as well as assisted numerous partners and landowners with their requests.
- **Conserving Our Watersheds Program (COW):** COW MILC is the most recent Nonpoint Source Pollution Water Board grant. Of the six projects at dairies selected in the Stemple Creek watershed, three are in the design and permitting phase and three are entering implementation. In the National Seashore, design is ~75% for manure pond decommissioning at historic A, B and C ranches. NEPA is underway. Targeting bid process and a tour next month.
- **Carbon Farming Program:** We received over 30 applications for the federal AMP grant on our new website application portal. The team will review and rank applications this month.
- **Walker Creek Watershed:** Significant numbers of salmonids were counted at the outmigration smolt trap by CA Dept Fish & Wildlife (late March-early June).
- **Funding Opportunities:** RCD staff are working on several grants: Wildlife Conservation Board creek projects, CalFire Forest Health, CDFA Healthy Soils, NFWF Carbon Farm Plans, DOC Sustainable Ag Lands GHG monitoring, SCC Climate Resilience, Rural Climate Partnerships
- **Finance Committee:** The next FC meeting is scheduled for July 20.
- **District:** ED is exploring new staff positions to handle workload.
- **Landowner Assistance Provided:**
 - Urban Streams: 15 individuals requested assistance and were consulted, 80 individuals were educated in the USC Program, and 0 site visits were conducted.
 - Conserving Our Watersheds: 2 or 3 consultations
 - Carbon Farming: 35

5. 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.

6. MEETING ADJOURNED