



AGENDA

DATE: **Wednesday, September 9, 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 - 10:15 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*

3. PROGRAMS: (45 min)

- A. Board approval of Marin RCD Landowner Authorization Agreement template to be used in providing technical services to landowners participating in the Sonoma-Marine Ag Support Program. ~ *Sarah Skinker, Carbon Farming Program Manager (30 min)*
- B. Board approval to provide CEQA coverage for 4 projects and to close the 30-day public review of projects into the Marin Coastal Permit Coordination Program (PCP) on October 10, 2026 contingent upon receiving no public comment. ~ *Sarah Skinker, Carbon Farming Program Manager (30 min)*

4. INFORMATIONAL: (10:30-11:30 a.m.)

- **Tribal Collaboration Update** ~ *Michelle Katuna, MRCD Tribal Liaison and Matthew Johnson Cultural Programs Manager and citizen, Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria (FIGR)*

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):

- **Water Expansion:** *John Dolcini, Marin RCD Associate Director*

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- **Advancing Markets for Producers:** Selections for the new Agricultural Marketing for Producers (AMP) program are complete for the first round.
- **Justice Equity Diversity Inclusion (JEDI):** No report
- **Media/Messaging/Outreach:** Newsletter will now be distributed bi-annually.
- **Biomass Project:** The Marin Biomass Project is conducting outreach, seeking grant funding and pursuing implementation of recommendations in *The Marin Biomass Study*.
- **Permit Coordination Program (PCP):** See Item 3b. Also, following last month's presentation of the Vegetation Treatment Plan for All Hands Ecology's Martin Griffin, Cypress Grove and Tom's Point preserves, the CEQA action is expected to be agendized next month.
- **Urban Streams Program:** During the month of August, Phillips has tended to concerned streamside landowners in advance of the Super El Nino approaching. As well, she attended the monthly regulatory meeting, several meetings to coordinate samples of tires from Tomales Bay, and a Lag TAC subcommittee meeting. Additionally, she conducted several site visits. She also met with Marin Water's program manager to discuss roles and availability in place of Eric Ettlinger. Finally, Phillips attended the annual Coho Confab, a miniature conference in Mendocino to review coho recovery restoration projects.
- **Conserving Our Watersheds Program (COW):** COW MILC is the most recent Nonpoint Source Pollution Water Board grant. Six projects at dairies were selected in the Stemple Creek watershed and three in the National Seashore. Designs are mostly complete. Coordination with the Tribe is occurring. At historic A, B and C ranches in the Seashore the construction is currently out to bid, and a tour is scheduled for today. See agenda Item 7.
- **Carbon Farming Program:** We received 34 applications for the federal AMP grant, which are currently being ranked for implementation this fall.
- **Walker Creek Watershed:** Nothing to report other than amazing fish counts!
- **Funding Opportunities:** Marin Waste Management has awarded UCCE funding for a compost page!
- **Finance Committee:** Salaries were reviewed at the last meeting along with health care plans. The next FC meeting is scheduled for Sept 21th.
- **District:** Admin staff have been focused on FY25 financial audit which will not be a Federal audit this year! New health insurance is now provided for staff.
- **Landowner Assistance Provided:**
 - Urban Streams: 7 individuals requested assistance and were consulted, 7 individuals were educated in the USC Program, and 3 site visits were conducted.
 - Conserving Our Watersheds: 2 or 3 consultations
 - Carbon Farming: 30

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

7. **Optional public tour** to visit Point Reyes National Seashore Pond Decommissioning at B-Ranch at 1pm