



AGENDA

DATE: **Wednesday, June 5, 2018**

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

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

ACTION ITEMS

2. DISTRICT, MINUTES, FINANCIALS – 10 min.

- A. Board approval of regular meeting minutes.
- B. Board approval of RCD financial report and bills to be paid.

3. RANCH ROADSIDE CLEAN-UP – 10 min.

- A. Board approval to execute Contract #C05-2018 with the Conservation Corps, North Bay in the clean up and planting of the Spicer Stemple Creek Clean Up Project.

4. CONSERVING OUR WATERSHEDS (COW) – 40 min.

- A. Board approval of Marin RCD Landowner Authorization Agreement form for 2018 COW projects.
- B. Board approval of riparian fence design and cost proposal for Project #2017-05 on a tributary to Nicasio Reservoir.
- C. Board approval of engineers cost estimate in preparation of bid solicitation for Project #2018-03 in the Tomales Bay watershed.

5. MARIN PERMIT COORDINATION PROGRAM (PCP) – 20 min.

- A. Board approval of Resolution #05-2018 of the Marin Resource Conservation District adopting an Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act for the Marin Permit Coordination Program, and adopting a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program.
- B. Board approval of the 2018 Marin Permit Coordination Program.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS – 10:20 a.m.

6. Presentations & Updates:

- Conserving Our Watersheds Tour – Elise Suronen, MRCD Conservation Program Mgr

Partner Updates – 15 min.

- **USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service** – Petaluma Field Office Staff
- **Marin Agricultural Land Trust/SAP** – Jim Jensen, Stewardship Mgr.
- **Students & Teachers Restoring a Watershed** – Isaiah Thalmayer, Restoration Mgr.

RCD Program Updates – 15 min:

- **Urban Streams Program:** During the first two weeks of May, US Coordinator attended the monthly regulatory Marin Project Coordination meeting, conducted two site visits

and coordinated more Japanese knotweed meetings. As well, USC has been asked by the Director of DPW in Corte Madera to help the town develop more ecologically sound practices for their flood control program..

- **Pine Gulch Ponds & Instream Flow Enhancement Project:** Licenses must be prepared to follow up on permits. Changes of Petitions are required.
- **Carbon Farming Program:** To date 10 CFP have been completed; 5 are underway and 1 is in the waiting room. A total of 6 plans will be written in 2018. Nancy provided an update on carbon farming at the Sonoma Marin Ag Roundtable.
- **Conserving Our Watersheds Program:** Seven projects are in the design phase.
- **Americano Creek Watershed:** Gold Ridge RCD completed a Carbon Farm Plan in Valley Ford and applied for the Healthy Soils Initiative funding for compost application and riparian planting. The Valley Ford Cheese Co. rainwater catchment project will be constructed soon.
- **Media/Outreach:** Darrylin will be coordinating our outreach/messaging for social media platforms. Let us know how you like to get your news!
- **Grant Opportunities:** Staff assisted 4 dairy producers with grant applications alongside UCCE staff. CEQA coverage will be required for each producer's application and the RCD's new PCP will be able to provide coverage. The County is recommending the Urban Streams position for two additional years! Staff coordinated with CA Association of RCDs on 2 applications to the Wildlife Conservation Board.
 - \$13K. NRCS Conservation Innovation – Rangeland Soils Monitoring. *Pending*
 - \$50K. Anonymous Foundation – Walker Creek Outreach and Seashore. *Awarded!*
 - \$25K. USDA NRCS – Biological and Permitting Services. *Pending*
 - \$239K. WCB – Carbon Farming designs, cost estimates and materials. *Pending*
 - \$436K. WCB – Carbon Farm Implementation. *Pending*
- **Finance Committee:** A rebate program description was created and submitted to an attorney to prepare for a Department of Industrial Relations formal determination to exempt prevailing wage requirements when using a rebate program.
- **District:** Darrylin is working on our Annual Report and updating the RCD mailing list.
- **Landowner's calling for assistance:** 14 agricultural (9 MRCD Carbon, 1 Wildlife Conservation Board, 0 Healthy Soils and 4 Alternative Manure Applications) and 7 urban landowners requesting assistance.

7. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- June 27. 9:30-5. Carbon Farming for RCDs. San Mateo.

8. CORRESPONDENCE

- None

9. 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.

10. MEETING ADJOURNED