



AGENDA

DATE: **Wednesday, July 10th, 2019**

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 – 20 min.
 - A. Board approval of regular meeting minutes.
 - B. Board approval of RCD Financial Report and bills to be paid.
 - C. Board approval of Resolution to Borrow up to \$350,000 in the 19/20 Fiscal Year to make full and timely payments for work completed by improved ranch practices.
 - D. Board approval of letter requesting County financial support of RCD programs in the amount of \$125,000.
3. CARBON FARMING- 30 min.
 - A. Board approval to contribute funding to Project #2018-04, a hedgerow installation.
 - B. Board approval to execute Point Blue STRAW contract for project #s 2019-07 and 2019-06 to install critical area planting and hedgerows.
4. CONSERVING OUR WATERSHEDS- 15 min.
 - A. Board approval of cost proposal(s) for Project #2019-02, a Dairy Heavy Walkway.
5. SAN GERONIMO LANDOWNER ASSISTANCE PROGRAM – 15 min.
 - A. Board approval of revised Landowner Authorization Agreement for San Geronimo Landowner Assistance Program.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS – 10:30 a.m.

6. Presentations & Highlights: 30 min
 - **Introducing CalTrout** – Patrick Samuels, Bay Area Program Manager

Partner Updates – 15 min.

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

RCD Program Updates – 15 min:

- **Urban Streams Program:** The USC assisted 12 residents/stakeholders in Marin whereas one landowner received a site visit. USC attended an MKAT (Marin Knotweed Action Team) meeting. Progress is continuing with the Landowner Assistance Program; cost proposals were submitted and a contractor was selected based on contingency that a couple of issues are to be resolved regarding access and project materials (wood). USC held the first native plant propagation class for 2019 at the Red Barn which was

well attended with 19 participants who all learned about non-native invasive plant identification and management, Integrated Pest Management, and pollinators in the garden. The USC chaired another Lagunitas TAC meeting on the 14th and will be working with the TAC to determine the next Vice Chair to be nominated at the November meeting. Finally, USC met with a consulting firm to discuss how mitigation funds could potentially fund Marin RCD projects in the future- to be determined.

- **Conserving Our Watersheds Program (Construction Update):** Two projects are lining up for construction; one is hung up in the permitting phase. Prunuske Chatham Inc. completed a design to fix a new headcut that threatens an old COW project.
- **Carbon Farming Program:** Staff is participating in County's Drawdown Marin program. Staff is gearing up to implement three projects this year. One previously implemented project will be maintained. Soil samples will be collected sometime in September prior to implementation of projects.
- **Stemple Creek:** Stemple Creek Cleanup project will be gearing up.
- **Pine Gulch Creek:** One pond is seeping; therefore, Marin RCD is assisting with Division of Water Rights Time Extension Request to delay appropriate water licensing.
- **Media/Outreach:** Provided George with information on Walker Creek proposal.
- **Grant Opportunities:** Communicated with CA RCDs on monarch opportunity. Potential groundwater recharge grant.
 - \$45,000. Anonymous. Regenerating Landscapes. *Awarded!*
 - \$350,782. Walker Creek Estuary Study. Dept Fish and Wildlife. *Pending*
 - \$10K. Workshops at Farmers Markets for beginning farmers. *Pending*
- **Finance Committee:** Meeting scheduled July 9th.
- **District:**
 - Let's go on a 60th Anniversary Tour for Board of Supervisors - FALL
 - Staff will be meeting at a couple flooded road locations with landowners and the county of Marin in July.
 - Darrylin is closing FY1819 and scheduling for CPA and Audit.
- **Landowner's calling for assistance:** 1 agricultural and 12 urban landowners requesting assistance.

7. ANNOUNCEMENTS & 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