



AGENDA

DATE: **Wednesday, November 11th, 2020**

PLACE: **Marin RCD Office, 80 4th Street, Suite 202, Point Reyes Station, CA 94956** *(note change)*

REMOTE OPTION: Due to the COVID-19 health emergency - and to protect our Board Members, staff, and members of the public - the regularly scheduled board meeting will be held remotely. Members of the public are encouraged to participate remotely by using the following options:
by Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85806950980> or by phone:
+16699009128,,85806950980# , meeting ID#: 858 0695 0980. Please contact Michelle Katuna at 707-774-5047 or michelle@marinrcd.org if you have concerns about accessibility.

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

ACTION ITEMS: 9:45 am

2. DISTRICT, MINUTES, FINANCIALS: 40 min
 - A. Board approval of regular meeting Minutes.
 - B. Board approval of Financial Report and bills to be paid.
 - C. Board approval of Marin RCD FY20/21 Budget.
 - D. Board approval to request \$125,000 from Marin County Board of Supervisors.
4. CARBON FARMING PROGRAM: 45 min
 - A. Board approval of the selection process for 15-20 Carbon Farm Designs on 10 Carbon Farms.
 - B. Board approval of Technical Advisory Committee (Design-TAC) members for the selection of Carbon Farm Plan projects receiving design assistance.
 - C. Board approval of selection process to identify new Carbon Farm Plan recipients.
 - D. If required by Board decision in Action C: Board selection of Technical Advisory Committee (Plan-TAC) members for the selection of new Carbon Farm Plan recipients.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS: 11:15 a.m.

5. Presentations, Updates & Highlights:
 - RCD Website - Oia Walker Van-Aalst, Marin RCD GrizzlyCorps MemberPartner Updates:
 - **USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service** – Petaluma Field Office Staff
 - **Marin Agricultural Land Trust/SAP** – MALT Stewardship Staff
 - **Students & Teachers Restoring a Watershed** – Isaiah Thalmayer, STRAW

RCD Program Updates:

- **Marin Monarch Working Group:** David Sherwood, RCD Assoc Director/Marshall Rancher
- **Coastal Permitting & Incentivizing Stewardship:** Provided Supervisor Rice with copy of RCD presentation and description of permitting challenges.
- **COVID grant:** This grant is now complete!

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- **Urban Streams Program:** USC spent time supporting MMWD’s new Fisheries Program Manager in getting caught up to speed on the role of the Lagunitas TAC and various ways in which MRCD and MMWD support one another. USC worked with Chair of Lagunitas TAC to begin working out the agenda for the November meeting. USC presented to the west Marin Rotary Club about the USC Program and MRCD’s other programs, per invitation to do so. A total of 12 residents/stakeholders were assisted and 18 were educated in the month of October. Finally, USC checked in with CDA on the status of the development of the SCA for San Geronimo which is currently at a standstill.
- **Conserving Our Watersheds Program:** Three out of five sites completed. One project is halfway complete and another might start this year. STRAW will plant one site this fall.
- **Carbon Farming Program:** Staff and partners presented elements of the Marin Climate Action Plan to 8 different ag groups. WCB Committee meeting #2 will be November 19 from 1-2:30 to review selection criteria for allocating WCB Carbon Design funds and to approve of the 10 carbon farms receiving design assistance. Blakes Landing Hedgerow project with STRAW delayed to Fall 2021. Technical Assistance provided to True Grass Farm, a CDFA awardee.
- **Walker Creek Watershed:** Road surveys are continuing. Staff and consultants have begun working with landowners to conduct an assessment of the estuary.
- **Pine Gulch Creek Project:** No activity
- **Media/Outreach:** Our new GrizzlyCorps member, Oia, is working on a social media policy which will be presented to the Board at a later date.
- **Grant Opportunities:** Elise has attended several CARCD calls focusing on whether or not Californian RCDs want to send in a joint NRCS RCPP proposal. An RCPP proposal looks unlikely because it doesn’t allow for planning money which most RCDs need. PWA proposed submitting a 319(h) proposal for the Walker roads work. MRCD might consider the State Coastal Conservancy’s Prop 68 funds.
 - \$25,000 USDA Conservation Innovation Grant for training and education. *Denied*
 - \$55,000 CA Wildlife Conservation Board for technical assistance. *Denied*
 - \$430,000 DOC Stemple Creek Riparian Corridor Restoration. *Awarded!*
- **Finance Committee:** FC reviewed the RCD Budget and initiated review of the FY 21/22 MALT Stewardship Assistance Program (SAP) Grant Agreement. The budget is provided for board approval while the MALT SAP agreement will be presented in the spring.
- **District:**
 - Darrylin is working on a Federal Indirect Cost Rate and closing out the FY.
 - Staff completed a Public Records Act request.
- **Landowners assisted:** 5 agricultural and 12 urban landowners requesting assistance.

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS & CORRESPONDENCE

- None

7. 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.

8. MEETING ADJOURNED