



AGENDA

NAPA COUNTY RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT

1303 Jefferson Street, Suite 500B, Napa, CA 94559, 707-252-4188

Thursday

April 14, 2016

8:00 A.M.

District President: Beth Painter

Vice President: Jon Kanagy

District Directors: Ashley Anderson Bennett, Rainer Hoenicke,

Gretchen Stranzl McCann, Jim Lincoln, Bill Pramuk

Executive Director: Leigh Sharp District Secretary: Anna Mattinson District Counsel: Susie Altman

GENERAL INFORMATION

The Napa County Resource Conservation District (RCD) will hold a regular Meeting on Thursday, April 14, 2016 at 8:00 A.M. The meeting room is wheelchair accessible. Assistive listening devices and interpreters are available through the Secretary of the Board. Requests for disability related modifications or accommodations, aids or services must be made to the RCD office no less than 72 hours prior to the meeting date by contacting 707-252-4188, ext. 100 (707-252-4219 FAX). Time for public commentary will be provided prior to Consent Calendar. Time limitations for individual speakers may be set at the discretion of the Chair. All materials relating to the agenda are available for public inspection at the District Office Monday through Friday, between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M., except for District Holidays.

1. WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER BY CHAIR, 8:00 A.M. ROLL CALL. The meeting is to be called to order and roll call taken at 8:00 A.M.

A. Roll Call

The District Secretary will take attendance.

B. Approval of Meeting Minutes.

The Board will consider approval of minutes from the February 11, 2016 and the March 10, 2016 regular meeting.

C. Ratification of District Bills.

The Board will review and ratify bills that have been approved by the Executive Director.

D. Approval of District Bills

The board will review and consider approval of the District bills for March 2016.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

In this time period anyone may comment to the Board regarding any subject over which the district has jurisdiction. No comments will be allowed involving any subject matter scheduled for hearing, action, or discussion as part of the current agenda other than to request discussion on a specific consent item. Individuals are requested to limit their comment to three minutes. No action will be taken by the Board as a result of any item presented at this time.

3. EDUCATIONAL PRESENTATION

4. REPORT FROM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, DISTRICT CONSERVATIONIST AND DIRECTORS' COMMENTS Leigh and Rita will give an update on current projects and activities. Board Directors comments and updates may also be given.

5. CONSENT CALENDAR

All items on the consent calendar are considered ministerial or non-substantive and subject to a single motion approval. With the concurrence of the Chair, a Board member may request discussion of an item on the consent calendar.

A. RCD Activity Report for February

B. NRCS Activity Report for February

C. Authorization for the President to sign Landowner Right of Entry Agreements for Bale Slough Planning Project.

These Right of Entry Agreements provide RCD employees, agents and contractors the right to enter private property for the purpose of conducting field surveys to inform completion of conceptual-level restoration plans in the Bale Slough and Bear Creek watersheds.

6. SET ITEMS OR PUBLIC HEARINGS

There are no set items.

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Update on the Water, Forest and Oak Woodland Protection Initiative of 2016.
Leigh

B. Update on implementation of the Fund Development Strategy. *Leigh*

8. NEW BUSINESS

A. Review and Discussion of District Financial Reports *Anna*

Accounts Receivable and Cash Flow will be presented.

B. Approve Budget Amendment No. 2 for Fiscal Year 2015/2016

The proposed budget amendment adds \$31,000 in revenue and expense. It reallocates funds in the categories of “salaries and benefits,” “services,” “and “supplies and other.” It also adds \$38,000 to fixed asset: land improvement for work at the Huichica Creek Sustainable Demonstration Vineyard, \$7,000 which is reallocated from “supplies and other” and \$31,000 in “new” revenue (primarily from an existing NRCS grant). Total revenue and expenses rise by \$31,000 for a revised total budget of \$1,487,990.

C. Award of Napa County RCD Directors’ Environmental Scholarship. *Ad-hoc Review Committee*

An Ad-hoc advisory committee was formed to review the applications for the Directors’ Environmental Scholarship Award and will recommend a recipient for the \$500 award.

D. Discussion about possible opportunity to provide services to sustain Napa Youth Ecology Corps in Napa County. *Leigh*

The Napa-Lake Workforce Investment Board anticipates re-releasing a Request for Proposals (RFP) for the Napa Youth Ecology Corps (NYEC) Employer of Record, after their initial RFP was unsuccessful in obtaining any respondents. NYEC is a county-wide workforce training and ecology education program aimed at employing youth and young adults (“at-risk” youth, ages 18-24) while teaching environmental stewardship. NYEC must have an Employer of Record for the program to continue in Napa County and RCD may be in a position to provide all of the requested services or to partner with another entity and provide some of the services. For more information on the NYEC, please visit the following website:

<http://www.napaworkforce.org/AboutUs/NapaYouthEcologyCorps.aspx>.

E. Update and discussion regarding formation of a Northern Inner Coastal Range State Conservancy.

Senator Wolk and Assemblymember Dodd introduced legislation (SB1396) to establish a state conservancy to protect, preserve and restore the “Northern Inner Coast Range’s” natural, historical, cultural, and other attributes. While no financial appropriations are dedicated to the newly proposed conservancy, the legislation would establish the new conservancy, making it a viable entity to receive future funds (e.g., future bond funds). Counties eligible for inclusion are all or part of Colusa, Del Norte, Glenn, Humboldt, Lake, Mendocino, Napa (eastern portion), Shasta, Siskiyou, Solano, Trinity, Tehema, and Yolo Counties.

F. Discussion about finding of Cape Ivy (*Delaria odorata*) in Napa River watershed and RCD role in invasive plant management and monitoring. *Bill Pramuk*

G. Discuss Upcoming Events and Possible Director Participation. *Leigh*

- RCD Rotary Screw Trap Community Event. Spring, 2016. Date TBD.
- CARCD Bay Delta Meeting in Dixon, CA. Proposed date: April 20, 2016. (*Gretchen*)
- Healthy Pollinator Symposium sponsored by Napa Agricultural Commissioner's Office. Thursday, April 21, 2016. 8:00 – 2:00. Yountville Community Center plus Field Tour. (*Gretchen, Jim*)
- North Bay Watershed Association Conference. The Future of Water is Now: Innovation, Integration, Adaptation. Friday, April 22, 2016. 8:00 – 4:30. Embassy Suites, Napa. (*Beth*)
- Napa Earth Day Clean-Up and Downtown Event. Saturday, April 23, 2016. Clean-up, 9:00 – 11:00 at sites TBD. Downtown event at Oxbow Commons, 11:00 – 4:00. Come hang out at the RCD table, play with kids and talk to the public.

H. Identify possible agenda items for future meeting(s).

I. Correspondence

1. Invitation to celebrate 41 years of preserving and promoting Napa Valley's world-class vineyards. Napa Valley Grapegrowers.
2. Industry statement on the Water, Forest and Oak Woodland Protection Initiative of 2016.
3. Special District Leadership Academy Conference: a comprehensive governance conference for elected and appointed directors/trustees. July 10 – 13 at Embassy Suites, Napa Valley.
4. CSDA Publication. Jan-Feb, 2016.
5. 2015 NACD Annual Report.
6. Napa County Farm Bureau 2016 Ag Directory & Resource Guide.

9. ADJOURNMENT

UPCOMING DATES AND EVENTS:

May 12 – Board Meeting 8:00 A.M.

June 9 – Board Meeting 8:00 A.M.

July 14 – Board Meeting 8:00 A.M.

August 11 – Board Meeting 8:00 A.M.

September 8 - Board Meeting 8:00 A.M.