AGENDA

Napa County Resource Conservation District
Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors

When: Thursday, February 14, 2019 at 8:00 A.M.
Where: 1303 Jefferson St., Suite 500B, Napa, CA

Jim Lincoln
President
Ashley Anderson Bennett
Vice President
Rainer Hoenicke
Director
Jon Kanagy
Director
Beth Painter
Director
Bill Pramuk
Director
Gretchen Stranzl McCann
Director
Lucas Patzek
Executive Director
Anna Mattinson
District Secretary
Shana Bagley
District Counsel

GENERAL INFORMATION

The Napa County Resource Conservation District (RCD or District) will hold a regular meeting of its Board of Directors on Thursday, February 14, 2019 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 District office no less than 72 hours prior to the meeting date by contacting 707-690-3110, anna@naparcd.org. 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. The agenda is available online at: http://naparcd.org/.

1. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL

A. Roll Call – The meeting is to be called to order by the Chair at 8:00 A.M., and the District Secretary will take attendance.

B. Approval of the Agenda – The Board will consider approval of the agenda for this meeting.

C. Approval of Meeting Minutes – The Board will consider approval of minutes from the January 3, 2019 regular meeting.

D. Ratification of District Bills – The Board will review and ratify bills approved by the Executive Director.
E. Approval of District Bills – The Board will review and consider approval of the District bills for January 2019.

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

Molly Moran Williams will provide an update from the Napa Valley Grapegrowers’ Vineyard Burning Task Force.

4. 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. Authorize President to Sign Agreement with the Regents of the University of California (University).

RCD seeks to enter into a contract with the University for a not-to-exceed amount of $42,432 in order to support the project entitled “Developing sustainable and climate smart vineyards through sheep integration”. The University received a California Department of Food and Agriculture grant to fund this project.

B. Authorize President to Sign Agreement with Robert Bruce Irwin dba Kaos Sheep Outfit.

RCD seeks to enter into a contract with Kaos Sheep Outfit for a not-to-exceed amount of $18,000 for the purpose of managing all aspects of sheep handling and grazing management related the project “Developing sustainable and climate smart vineyards through sheep integration”. Kaos Sheep Outfit is identified as a subrecipient of the University grant referenced above.

C. Authorize President to Sign the Agreement with the Napa County Flood Control and Water Conservation District (FCD).

RCD seeks to enter into a contract with FCD for a not-to-exceed amount of $31,000 to coordinate 5-8 events with volunteers and students to plant native riparian plants. The FCD received a California Coastal Conservancy grant to fund this project.

D. Authorize President to Sign the Agreement with WRA, Inc.
RCD seeks to enter into a contract with WRA, Inc. for a not-to-exceed amount of $8,000 to receive biological support related to weekend Napa River Rotary Screw Trap checks during the 2019 operating period. A donation received by the RCD will fund this agreement.

E. Authorize President to Sign the Agreement with San Francisco Estuary Institute (SFEI).

RCD seeks to enter into a contract with SFEI for a not-to-exceed amount of $30,000.00 to obtain services related to the Re-Oak North Bay project. These services were outlined in and will be paid through the agreement with the North Bay Watershed Association executed in November 2018.

F. Authorize President to Sign the Right-of-Entry Agreement with Carole McGrath for the Pope Creek Weed Management Project.

RCD seeks to arrange access for Horizon Water & Environment to conduct biological and cultural surveys on Carole McGrath’s property for the Measure A funded Pope Creek Weed Management project. The purpose of the currently funded phase of the project is to: 1) Complete environmental review and permitting for control of problematic weeds along a 2.7-mile reach of Pope Creek.

G. Authorize Lucas Patzek to Travel to Penticton, BC, Canada to Attend the Enology & Viticulture Conference and Tradeshow.

The BC Wine Grape Council has invited Lucas to present on the topic of carbon farming and soil health at its annual conference on July 15-16, 2019. The Council will cover all related expenses including hotel, meals, and transportation costs to and from Penticton.

5. SET ITEMS OR PUBLIC HEARINGS

There are no set items or public hearings scheduled.

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Opportunities for Collaboration with the Friends of the Napa River (FONR). Lucas Patzek

An update on FONR-RCD collaboration options will be presented.

7. NEW BUSINESS

A. Review and Discuss District Financial Reports. Anna Mattinson

Accounts Receivable and Cash Flow Reports will be presented.

B. Update from the Finance Committee. Lucas Patzek & Anna Mattinson

Lucas and Anna will summarize the outcomes from the 2nd Quarter FY2018 meeting of the Finance Committee.
C. Discussion About Proposed HCV Strategic Visioning and Stakeholder Engagement Process. *Lucas Patzek*

The RCD aims to undertake a strategic visioning and stakeholder engagement process with the goal of developing a community-driven, multi-year vision for the property. Discussion will focus on the preliminary design and desired outcomes of this process.

D. Discuss Upcoming Events and Possible Director Participation. *Lucas Patzek*

   a. 37th Annual Salmonid Restoration Conference, Apr. 23-26, 2019 in Santa Rosa, CA.
   b. Napa County Watershed Symposium, May 16, 2019 in Napa, CA.

E. Identify possible agenda/discussion items for future meeting(s). *Lucas Patzek*

There was interest in scheduling the following public presentations in the near future:

   a. Humberto Izquierdo, Napa County’s new Agricultural Commissioner
   b. Congressman Mike Thompson’s office concerning his post Measure C efforts.
   c. PG&E’s vegetation management strategy in Napa County
   d. Re-oaking Initiative – Robin Grossinger

These are other potential agenda/discussion items for future meetings:

   a. Napa Valley Community Foundation activities
   b. Climate Action Plan
   c. Waste Discharge Requirements for Vineyards (Periodic updates on program)
   d. Land Trust of Napa County – Stewardship Program

F. Correspondence.

   b. 2019 Special District Board Member Handbook, CA Special Districts Association Publication.
   c. CSDA’s 2019 Special District Leadership Academy Conference.

8. REPORT FROM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND DISTRICT CONSERVATIONIST, AND DIRECTORS’ COMMENTS

Lucas Patzek (RCD Executive Director) and Wendy Rash (NRCS District Conservationist) will give an update on current projects and activities. Directors may also provide comments and updates.

9. ADJOURNMENT