

Humboldt
County



RESOURCE
CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Board of Directors Meeting

The Mission of the Humboldt County Resource Conservation District is to enhance and improve the sustainability of natural resources by educating, providing training, and assisting private and public landowners and land users.

AGENDA

Thursday February 13, 2014

8:00 A.M.

Agriculture Center Auditorium

5630 South Broadway - Eureka

(Items marked with * are attached to director packets)

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – Dan Cohoon, Chairman
2. **INTRODUCTIONS**
3. **ADDITIONS OR CHANGES TO AGENDA**
4. **PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**
5. **DISTRICT CORRESPONDENCE** (Circulated at meeting)

Incoming:

- State Water Resources Control Board – Notice of surface water shortage and potential for curtailment of water right diversions
- Blomberg and Griffin Accountancy Corporation – Request to be considered for future audit services
- Ducks Unlimited – Letters (2) transmitting Completed Project Acceptance forms for phase 1 of the Salt River Ecosystem Restoration Project for signature
- California Northern Regional Land Trust Council – Invitation for membership
- Northcoast Regional Land Trust – Autumn newsletter
- Salmonid Restoration Federation – Conference Announcement
- Yager/Van Duzen Environmental Stewards – Winter Newsletter

Outgoing:

- Chief Tom Hein, CalFire – Letter of appreciation for work completed by crews to remove vegetation from Phase 2 footprint of the Salt River Ecosystem Restoration Project

- Arijs A. Rakstins, US Army Corps of Engineers – Letter declining US Army Corps of Engineers request for a letter of intent to execute a Feasibility Cost Sharing Agreement
- John Spolar, Ducks Unlimited – Cover letter transmitting signed copies of project acceptance forms

6. DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES FROM January 9, 2014 – ACTION *

7. DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL OF GRAZING COMMITTEE MINUTES FROM January 9, 2014 – ACTION *

8. HCRCD DIRECTOR'S REPORTS, REQUESTS, OR ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a) Reports From Other Meetings Attended By Board Members
- b) Board Requests For Future Agenda or Information Items
- c) Other Announcements from Board Members

9. FINANCIAL REVIEW AND REPORT – L. Barnwell (Handout)

- a) Review February Financial Statement
 - 1) Review of checks issued since last Board meeting
 - 2) Current Status of Invoices and Payments Received
 - 3) Discuss and Approve List of Payments – **ACTION**

10. OLD BUSINESS

- a) Distribute Annual Statement of Economic Interest forms and information to Board

11. NEW BUSINESS – ACTION

a) FRGP FUNDING PROPOSALS & PARTNER COORDINATION - DISCUSSION

BACKGROUND: California Department of Fish and Wildlife annually releases a solicitation through the Fisheries Restoration Grant Program (FRGP). The solicitation is now open and will close March 15th. In the past the RCD has both submitted proposals of its' own and worked with various partners to sponsor proposals. The purpose of this agenda item is to discuss current staff capacity to determine if it's feasible for the RCD to sponsor additional proposals this year.

b) RESOLUTION # 14-01 FRGP FUNDING PROPOSALS

BACKGROUND: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife is accepting proposals for the 2014-2015 cycle of the Fisheries Restoration Grant Program. A Provisional Resolution authorizing the Executive Director to submit proposals is required. Any additional action that may come out of the grants and contracting process is subject to review and ratification by the Board.

***Staff Recommendation:** Approve and Adopt Resolution No. 14-01 authorizing staff to develop and submit proposals for projects that support priorities outlined in the 2012-2015 Long Range Plan.*

12. SALT RIVER PROJECT UPDATE - STAFF

13. NRCS DISTRICT CONSERVATIONIST REPORT - Jon Shultz, NRCS District Conservationist

14. DISTRICT STAFF ACTIVITIES REPORTS and OTHER RCD PROJECT UPDATES - STAFF
15. NEXT REGULAR MEETING: Thursday, March 13, 2014 at 8 a.m.
16. ADJOURNMENT

NOTE: GRAZING COMMITTEE MEETING DIRECTLY FOLLOWING THE BOARD MEETING