

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, March 10, 2016

8:00 A.M.

Agricultural Center – 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** (Gov. Code 54954.2(B))
4. **PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**  
Any person may address the Board regarding any matter within the Board's jurisdiction that is not on the agenda. Speakers are asked to limit comments to three minutes. Members of the public may also comment on agenda items when they are discussed. (Gov. Code 54954.3(a))
5. **PRESENTATION** - Evan Engber of BioEngineering Associates - Miranda Family Dairy Bank Erosion
6. **DISTRICT CORRESPONDENCE** (Circulated at meeting)  
**Incoming:**
  - SRF - Salmonid Restoration Conference April 6 – 9 at River Lodge
  - SDRMA – No increase on Property/Liability Program Package for 2016-17
  - SDRMA – No increase on Workers' Compensation Program for 2016-17
  - CSDA – CSDA Board of Directors Call for Nominations
  - SDRMA – Property/Liability Longevity Distribution
  - CSDA – Investment Options for Special Districts**Outgoing:**
  - NRCS - HCRCD Response to NRCS February 4, 2016 Memo Regarding Salt River Ecosystem Restoration Project Proposed Sediment Management Area on the NRCS Vevoda/Albin Floodplain Easement
7. **HCRCD DIRECTOR'S REPORTS, REQUESTS, OR ANNOUNCEMENTS**
  - 6.1 Reports from Other Meetings Attended by Board Members
  - 6.2 Board Requests for Future Agenda or Information Items
  - 6.3 Other Announcements from Board Members
8. **BOARD ACTION ITEMS**

- 7.1 Minutes for meeting of February 11, 2016\* presented for approval
- 7.2 February Financial Report presented for approval (Handout)
- 7.3 Resolution 16-02 authorizing staff to submit a proposal to the CDFW Fisheries Restoration Grants Program and sign contracts as necessary

- 9. **NRCS DISTRICT CONSERVATIONIST REPORT** - *Jon Shultz, NRCS District Conservationist*
- 10. **UCCE Report** – *Jeffery Stackhous, UCCE Livestock Advisor*
- 11. **SALT RIVER PROJECT UPDATE\*** - *Staff*
- 12. **DISTRICT STAFF REPORTS and RCD PROJECT UPDATES\*** – *Staff*
- 13. **NEXT REGULAR MEETING: Thursday, April 14, 2016 at 8 a.m.**  
Meeting location: Agriculture Center Auditorium, 5630 South Broadway (Humboldt Hill exit) Eureka, CA
- 14. **ADJOURNMENT**

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# Humboldt County Resource Conservation District

Board of Directors Meeting  
Minutes of February 11, 2016

## 1. Call to Order-

Dan Cohoon Chairman, 8:06 a.m.

## 2. Introductions-

Directors Present: Dan Cohoon, Mark Moore, Gary Markegard, Gary Belli, Hugo Klopper, Pete Bussman

Directors Excused: Jim Renner,

Staff Present: Jill Demers, Curtis Ihle, Lauri Barnwell, Frances Tjarnstrom, Summer Daugherty, Doreen Hansen

Staff Excused:

Guests: Jon Shultz-NRCS District Conservationist; RaeAnn Dubay NRCS Area Resource Conservationist; Evan Engber, President, BioEngineering Associates, Inc.

## 3. Additions or Changes to the Agenda-

Two additional correspondence received for review; State Controller 2015 Government Compensation Report and Jim Regli landowner letter.

## 4. Public Comment-

Bio Engineering Associates request for presentation to the Board to discuss current erosion on Miranda Property river bank near Fernbridge. Board directed Executive Director to coordinate for March Board Meeting Agenda item.

## 5. District Correspondence-

Summary provided and all documents circulated at meeting for review by the Directors and others present. Discussion held in regards to the landowner letter received. Board directed staff to extend invitation for presentation to the Board in regards to Williams Creek.

## 6. HCRCD Director's Reports, Request or Announcements-

Director Moore updated that the Buckeye is pursuing additional information regarding Wolf related issues.

## 7. Board Action Items-

7.1 Discussion and Approval of Board Minutes from January 14, 2016.

*Motion by Director Markegard to approve Humboldt County Resource Conservation District Board Minutes as presented from January 14, 2016. Second by Director Moore. Ayes-Director Belli, Klopper, Bussman. Noes-None.*

7.2 Discussion and Approval of January 2016 Financial Report.

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Staff provided an update on status of all grants, funds availability, and potential funding. Discussion held on status of payments received and those in process from the funding agencies. Open grants were discussed and their role in current operations. An update was provided on current cash flow constraints and the measures being taken to keep the RCD staff and operations moving forward.

*Motion by Director Markegard to approve Humboldt County Resource Conservation District staff recommendation to pay operating expenses as presented, continue to manage expenditures to reduce costs, retain contractor/consultant project payment retention, pay contractors/contractor invoices as matching funds are received and to request disbursement from the Lytle Foundation Line of Credit if no additional payments received. Second by Director Moore. Ayes-Director Belli, Klopper, Bussman. Noes-None.*

- 7.3 Resolution 16-01 authorizing staff to submit a full proposal to the Ocean Protection Council Proposition 1 Grant Program and sign contracts as necessary.

*Motion by Director Markgard to accept and adopt Resolution 16-01 authorizing staff to submit a full proposal to the Ocean Protection Council Proposition 1 Grant Program and sign contracts as necessary. Second by Director Moore. Ayes-Director Bussman, Klopper, Belli. Noes-None*

**8. NRCS Report-Jon Shultz-District Conservationist NRCS**

Shultz provided the Board an update on current program activities on the Elk River Stewardship Program and Eel River Estuary Centerville Project, future program funding opportunities through NRCS programs such as EQIP and WRE, and an administrative update as related to staff and office space.

**9. UCCE Report-Jeff Stackhouse**

No Report

**10. Salt River Project Update**

Update provided in Summary of District activities provided in Board Packet. No further discussion held.

**11. District Staff Reports and Other RCD Project Updates**

Summary of District activities provided in Board packet.

**12. Next Regular Meeting**

Thursday, March 10, 2016 at 8 a.m.

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**13. Adjournment**

The Board adjourned at 9:16 a.m. and moved into Long-Range Planning Session, facilitated by RaeAnn Dubay NRCS.