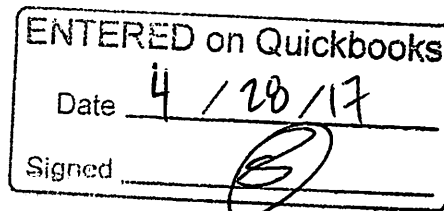


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QUANTITY	DESCRIPTION	RATE	AMOUNT
	Agric Evaluations		
1	1.0 to 5.0 Acres: Whieter	335.00	335.00
1	5.1 to 10.0 acres: Oslund	415.00	415.00
		Total	\$750.00

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QUANTITY	DESCRIPTION	RATE	AMOUNT
1	CROP SWAP 15.1 to 20.0 acres: Schaffer	575.00	575.00
		Total	\$575.00

Dave McElroy Services and expenses Invoice April 28, 2017

<i>Date</i>	<i>Activity</i>	<i>Hours</i>	<i>Mileage</i>	<i>Supplies</i>	<i>Supply Cost</i>
3/31/2017	Earth Day prep	6			
4/3/2017	Agenda Crop Swap Earth Day Prep	4			
4/4/2017	Agenda and Dist Files	2			
4/5/2017	Nursery Visits for earth day and Agenda	3	66		
4/6/2017	Finnemex visit for earth day plants	2	24		
4/7/2017	files , agenda, computers	4			
4/9/2017	agenda posting bank dep drop box	2			
4/12/2017	Easement Meeting at Murrieta	2			
4/13/2017	Grant Budget Re Write	1			
4/14/2017	Computer set up and filing	6			
4/17/2017	Printer and contacts	2			
4/18/2017	Board Mtg Prep and Filing	3			
4/19/2017	Board Meeting	1			
4/21/2017	Pick up for Sat and office	4	40		
4/22/2017	Earth Day at Stampede	5			
4/24/2017	Agenda Filing Contacts	7			
4/26/2017	Conf Call Adaline	1			
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\$850.00

DUE DATE
04/27/2017

DATE	ACTIVITY	QTY	RATE	AMOUNT
03/14/2017	CropSwap 1.0 to 5.0 Acres CropSwap Management for: Prestofilippo 1.0 to 5.0 Acres.	1	850.00	850.00

TOTAL DUE

\$850.00

THANK YOU.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Correspondence

Subject **Are you with us, Rose?**
From The Nature Conservancy – California
<contact@conserveca.org>
To <rose.corona@teamrcd.org>
Date 2017-04-18 11:53



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Rose,

Science and the role it plays in policymaking is under threat. One of the earmarks of a thriving future for nature and people is value for its scientific community. On Earth Day, it's up to you to fight for the science underpinning the progress we drive here in California, in D.C., and around the world.

We are proud to sponsor the **March for Science** in D.C. and participate in satellite marches throughout California, and hope you will stand with us to defend and safeguard evidence-based policies that benefit our livelihoods and natural systems.

Details on how you can stand up for science with us are below:

- **Print and post your sign**
Show your support for both the March and the Conservancy by printing a sign to hold at the march and posting the sign in your social media channels. Don't forget to tag your photos with **@ca_conserve** and **#natureunitesus**.
- **Rally in support of science**
Join us, as we march in San Francisco, Los Angeles, and **five other cities** across California, along with the nationwide community. If you don't live near these cities, find one of the **40 satellite marches** planned throughout the state.

CALIFORNIA RUNS ON SCIENCE

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March for Science - Los Angeles:

When: Saturday, April 22

Conservancy Group Meetup Point: In front of 445 S. Figueroa St. (Union Bank Building - 2nd Level, outside of Starbucks)

Meetup Time: 10:30am

March Route: Starts at Pershing Square Park, ends at City Hall

March for Science - San Francisco:

When: Saturday, April 22

Conservancy Group Meetup Point: In front of 201 Mission St. (corner of Mission & Beale)

Meetup Time: 10:30am

March Route: Starts at Justin Herman Plaza (Embarcadero), ends at Civic Center Plaza

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Rose/Dave -
Need to update?

OK 4/19/17

Done 4-18 DM

A Message from the Director, U.S. Census Bureau:

We are requesting your cooperation with the **2017 Census of Governments, Survey of Public Employment & Payroll**. This survey is the only source of comprehensive information on the employment and payroll for state and local governments in the United States. The information collected serves as an integral part of the foundation for developing national economic and public policy by measuring public activity.

Please report online for the pay periods that include March 12, 2017, using the information below. Keep this letter for future reference:

Website: <https://respond.census.gov/aspep>
User ID: 064137428
Password: Q&c34628
Due Date: April 27, 2017

We estimate the time to complete this survey varies from 10 minutes to 15 hours. Information about the authority, confidentiality, and burden of this data collection can be found on the back of this letter.

If you need assistance completing this survey, please call our customer help line at 1-800-832-2839, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Eastern time.

Thank you in advance for your voluntary participation, and for helping the U.S. Census Bureau measure America's people, places, and economy. Your response makes a difference.

Sincerely,

John H. Thompson
Director
U.S. Census Bureau





April 20, 2017

Ms. Mazi Soltani
Centex Homes
c/o Pulte Homes
27101 Puerta Real, Ste. 300
Mission Viejo, CA 92691

Dear Ms. Soltani,

Enclosed you will find our check for the refund of deposit monies pursuant to the original agreement with Centex Homes regarding the Temecula Creek Project from April of 2007. The total of \$8,333.75 is the amount due back to your firm. With payment of this refund, we now will consider this particular project and agreement with Centex Homes completed and closed.

Thank you and if you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact our Office Manager, Dave McElroy at manager@teamrcd.org.

Best Regards,



Rose Corona



April 20, 2017

Ms. Jarnne Gardner
Lennar Homes-Crown Hill Project
980 Montecito Ave, Ste 302
Corona, CA 92879

Dear Ms. Gardner,

Enclosed you will find our check for the refund of deposit monies pursuant to the original agreement with Lennar Homes regarding the Crowne Hill Project from October 2011. The total of \$7050.00 is the amount due back to your firm. With payment of this refund, we now will consider this particular project and agreement with Lennar Homes completed and closed.

Thank you and if you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact our Office Manager, Dave McElroy at manager@teamrcd.org.

Best Regards,



Rose Corona



April 20, 2017

Mr. Tony Pauker
Brookfield Residential Homes
12265 El Camino Real, Ste 180
San Diego, CA 92130

Dear Mr. Pauker,

Enclosed you will find our check for the refund of deposit monies pursuant to the original agreement with Brookfield Homes regarding Charlois Channel project from October 2011. The total of \$9280.00 is the amount due back to your firm. With payment of this refund, we now will consider this particular project and agreement with Brookfield Homes completed and closed.

Thank you and if you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact our Office Manager, Dave McElroy at manager@teamrkd.org.

Best Regards,



Rose Corona

Subject **Re: The environmental impacts of pot**
From The Nature Conservancy – California
<contact@conservca.org>
To <rose.corona@teamrcd.org>
Date 2017-04-17 10:45



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Rose,

Pot is enjoying its last days in legal limbo in California, and we want to make sure you have access to the content that we shared in the "Growing Pains: The Environmental Impacts of Cannabis Cultivation in California" discussion at the Exploratorium: After Dark. The event featured the Conservancy's Jen Carah, who led the scientific research to minimize the controversial plant's environmental impact.

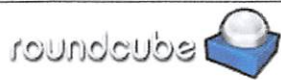
- **Read about the role we played** in successfully securing strong environmental provisions and mandates for state agencies to regulate environmental impacts--a first for the nation.
- **See photos from the event.**

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CARCD Board Meeting

From James Earsom Date Thu 16:35

Greetings All,

I attended the CARCD April Board meeting through Video Teleconference on April 25th.

Don Butz was elected Vice President to fill Paul's position since Paul moved to President when Glenn Franklin resigned. Don is from RCD of Greater San Diego County.

There were 55 RCDS that received funding from DOC. Some funding out of the 2.5 million was held in reserve to help the other 40 RCDS that didn't meet the legal requirements (no regular meetings, no budget, no audits, etc.) to receive funding by helping them meet the legal requirements for the state to give them funding.

I've attached a legislative update from Conservation Strategy Group (CSG) on bills the state legislature is considering. I hope CARCD will be able to continue receiving donations for using CSG. This incredible organization has access to information from the State Legislature and Federal that CARCD neither has the time or staff to obtain.

Be Well,

Jim

Sent from my iPad
909.771.8330

CARCD Bill and Budget Overv...



2017 CARCD Bill List & State Budget Overview April 24, 2017

Bonds:

AB 18 (Garcia, Eduardo D) California Clean Water, Climate, Coastal Protection, and Outdoor Access for All Act of 2018.

Summary: Would enact the California Clean Water, Climate, Coastal Protection, and Outdoor Access For All Act of 2018, which, if approved by the voters, would authorize the issuance of bonds in an amount of \$3,105,000,000 pursuant to the State General Obligation Bond Law to finance a clean water, climate, coastal protection, and outdoor access for all program. This bill contains other related provisions.

SB 5 (De León D) California Drought, Water, Parks, Climate, Coastal Protection, and Outdoor Access for All Act of 2018.

Summary: Would enact the California Drought, Water, Parks, Climate, Coastal Protection, and Outdoor Access For All Act of 2018, which, if approved by the voters, would authorize the issuance of bonds in an amount of \$3,000,000,000 pursuant to the State General Obligation Bond Law to finance a drought, water, parks, climate, coastal protection, and outdoor access for all program. This bill contains other related provisions.

Climate:

AB 151 (Burke D) California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006: market-based compliance mechanisms: scoping plan: report.

Summary: Would require the State Air Resources Board to report to the appropriate policy and fiscal committees of the Legislature to receive input, guidance, and assistance before adopting guidelines and regulations implementing the scoping plan and a regulation ensuring statewide greenhouse gas emissions are reduced to at least 40% below the 1990 level by 2030. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

AB 378 (Garcia, Christina D) California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006: regulations.

Summary: Current law requires the Department of Food and Agriculture, prior to awarding a grant using moneys from the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund, to review the applicant's analysis identifying the potential adverse impacts of a proposed project. Current law prohibits a project from receiving funding from the department unless the applicant has made certain demonstrations to the department. Current law requires the department to prioritize projects based on the criteria pollutant emission benefits achieved by the project. This bill would exempt from those requirements the Healthy Soils Program and the State Water Efficiency and Enhancement Program.

AB 1433 (Wood D) Climate Adaptation and Resilience Based on Nature Act.

Summary: Would create the Climate Adaptation and Resilience Based on Nature Account in the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund and would transfer, beginning in the 2017–18 fiscal year, 20% of the annual proceeds of the fund to the account. The bill would, upon appropriation by the Legislature in the annual Budget Act, make available the moneys in the account to the Wildlife Conservation Board for grants and programs that facilitate actions to protect and improve the resilience of natural systems and to reduce emissions of greenhouse gases.

Water:**SB 276 (Dodd D) State Water Efficiency and Enhancement Program.**

Summary: The Department of Food and Agriculture has established the State Water Efficiency and Enhancement Program to provide financial assistance in the form of grants to implement irrigation systems that reduce greenhouse gases and save water on agricultural operations. The Sustainable Groundwater Management Act, provides for the sustainable management of groundwater basins. This bill would require the Department of Food and Agriculture, upon appropriation of moneys by the Legislature for this purpose, to administer the State Water Efficiency and Enhancement Program to provide financial assistance in the form of grants to implement irrigation management systems that reduce greenhouse gas emissions, save water, and reduce energy use in agricultural operations in the state, offer technical assistance to program applicants, and perform outreach to groundwater basins designated as high- or medium-priority basins, as prescribed.

SB 667 (Atkins D) Department of Water Resources: riverine and riparian stewardship improvements.

Summary: Current law authorizes the Director of Water Resources to establish a program of flood control and urban creek restoration, known as the Urban Streams Restoration Program, consisting of the development of the capability by the Department of Water Resources to respond to requests from local agencies and organizations for planning and design assistance for efficient and effective urban creek protection, restoration, and enhancement. This bill, upon an appropriation of funds from the Legislature, would require the department to establish a program to implement watershed-based riverine and riparian stewardship improvements by providing technical and financial assistance in support of projects with certain benefits.

SB 780 (Wiener D) Water Conservation in Landscaping Act.

Summary: Would require state and local agencies to adhere to specified principles of the watershed approach in landscaping. The bill would require the Department of Water Resources to develop watershed approach-focused landscaping policies and incentives, including an enhanced model water efficient landscape ordinance, as provided. The bill would also require the Department of Water Resources to promote watershed approach-focused education and training for homeowners, contractors, certified community conservation corps, and other landscape professionals who plan, develop, or implement projects complying with the enhanced model ordinance.

Forestry/Fire Protection:

AB 288 (Obernolte R) State responsibility areas: fire prevention fees.

Summary: Would extend the time when the fire prevention fee is due and payable from 30 to 60 days from the date of assessment by the State Board of Equalization and would authorize the petition for redetermination to be filed within 60 days after service of the notice of determination, as specified.

AB 1530 (Gonzalez Fletcher D) Urban forestry.

Summary: The California Urban Forestry Act of 1978 has as a stated purpose the promotion of the use of urban forest resources for purposes of increasing integrated projects with multiple benefits in urban communities. This bill would provide that the purpose of the act is also to promote policies and incentives that advance improved maintenance of urban forest canopy to optimize multiple benefits, among other purposes. This bill contains other related provisions and other current laws.

Williamson Act:

AB 925 (Frazier D) Williamson Act: contracts.

Summary: The Williamson Act requires that each contract both (1) provide for the exclusion of uses other than agricultural and related uses for the duration of the contract and (2) be binding upon, and inure to the benefit of, all successors in interest of the owner, as provided. This bill, if the governing body of the city or county provides, as authorized by law, tax relief in addition to the valuation of the land under specified law, would additionally require that the contract require the owner to provide additional public benefits as consideration for that additional tax relief.

AB 1564 (Arambula D) Agricultural preserves: Williamson Act.

Summary: The California Land Conservation Act of 1965, otherwise known as the Williamson Act, authorizes a city or county to contract with a landowner to limit the use of agricultural land located in an agricultural preserve designated by the city or county. This bill would instead provide that the act name is the Williamson Act, and would make conforming changes. The bill would also make various nonsubstantive changes to provisions of the act, delete obsolete provisions, and make various conforming changes.

SB 435 (Dodd D) Williamson Act: payments to local governments.

Summary: Would, under the Williamson act, reduce the amount per acre paid to a city, county, or city and county under these provisions to \$2.50 for prime agricultural land, \$0.50 for all other land devoted to open-space uses of statewide significance, and, for counties that have adopted farmland security zones, \$4 for land that is within, or within 3 miles of the sphere of influence of, each incorporated city.

Natural Resources:

AB 1608 (Kalra D) Vibrant landscapes for climate, people, and multiple benefits.

Summary: Would require the Department of Conservation to develop and implement the Vibrant Landscape Program to assist eligible applicants in the development of county and regional plans that integrate the conservation and management of natural and working lands with other sectors to reduce the emissions of greenhouse gases and to provide other environmental cobenefits and to provide funding for land management and conservation activities that reduce the emissions of greenhouse gases and achieve other environmental cobenefits.

AB 1617 (Bloom D) Department of Fish and Wildlife: funding.

Summary: Current law declares the intent of the Legislature that the Department of Fish and Wildlife cooperate with the Legislature, recreational users, conservation organizations, the commercial fishing industry, and other interested parties to identify and propose new alternative sources of revenue to fund the department's necessary marine conservation, restoration, and resources management and protection responsibilities. This bill would declare the intent of the Legislature that the department, in cooperation with those parties and the hunting community, identify and propose new and alternative sources of revenue to fund the department's necessary wildlife and land conservation, restoration, and resources management and protection responsibilities.

SB 287 (Dodd D) Habitat restoration: invasive species: *Phytophthora* pathogens.

Summary: Current law establishes the Department of Fish and Wildlife and sets forth the powers and duties of the department with regard to the implementation and administration of, among other things, projects and programs to protect wildlife and wildlife habitat in the state. This bill would require the department, on or before December 31, 2019, to adopt regulations to minimize the risk of *Phytophthora* pathogens in plant materials used for habitat restoration projects authorized, funded, or required by the state.

Other:

AB 1348 (Aguiar-Curry) Farmer Equity Act of 2017.

Summary: Would enact the Farmer Equity Act of 2017 and would require the department to ensure the inclusion of socially disadvantaged farmers and ranchers, as defined, in the development, adoption, implementation, and enforcement of food and agriculture laws, regulations, and policies and programs, as specified. The bill would require the secretary to create a position within the department's executive office to support the department's efforts to include socially disadvantaged farmers and ranchers in its policies and programs, as specified. This bill contains other related provisions.

SB 424 (Allen D) The California Regional Environmental Education Community Network.

Summary: Would establish the California Regional Environmental Education Community Network under the direction and control of a 5-member governing board appointed, as specified, for the purpose of facilitating the implementation of high quality environmental literacy in California public schools, as specified. The bill would require the Superintendent of Public Instruction, with the approval of that governing board, to contract with a local educational agency or consortium of local educational agencies to serve as the fiscal agent for the California Regional Environmental Education Community Network who shall be charged with specified duties.

SB 448 (Wieckowski) Local government: organization: districts.

Summary: Would require a local agency formation commission to dissolve any special district that is an inactive district. The bill would additionally require a local agency formation commission to initiate proceedings for the dissolution of idle districts, as specified. This bill would define the terms "inactive district" and "idle district" for these purposes. By increasing the duties of local officials, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

SB 558 (Glazer) Property taxation: new construction exclusion: rain water capture system.

Summary: The California Constitution generally limits ad valorem taxes on real property to 1% of the full cash value of that property. For purposes of this limitation, "full cash value" is defined as the assessor's valuation of real property as shown on the 1975-76 tax bill under "full cash value" or, thereafter, the appraised value of that real property when purchased, newly constructed, or a change in ownership has occurred. This bill would exclude from classification as "newly constructed" and "new construction" the construction or addition, on or after January 1, 2018, of a rain water capture system, as provided.

State Budget:

On January 10th, the Governor released his 2017-18 Budget Proposal which relies heavily on fiscal prudence and a large budgetary reserve as revenues continue to grow, but at a slower rate. The Governor expressed concerns over the Federal budget and programmatic actions that have undermined environmental protection and could impact California's priorities.

The Governor's proposed budget includes a \$2.2 billion expenditure of Cap and Trade auction revenue from the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund that includes \$900 million for continuously appropriated programs. There is considerable uncertainty to these numbers given the high level of volatility in recent allowance auctions. The most recent auction, which occurred at the end of February, only brought in \$8 million in revenue. It is likely the next auction, to be held in May, will bring in low results as well. This will force the Governor to rethink his \$2.2 billion proposal. There are currently two legislative measures proposing to extend the Cap-and-Trade mechanism, which will help provide greater certainty to the auction market for future auctions. More information about these bills is below.

The budget process continues to progress and will culminate on June 15, 2017, the date by which the Legislature is required to pass a budget bill and submit same to the Governor for his signature or veto.

In February, the Assembly and Senate conducted informational hearings. Going forward there will be weekly hearings to discuss items in the budget proposal. CSG will provide updates on these hearings and other relevant budget news.

Cap-and-Trade:

On March 1st, the California Air Resources Board released the results of the February 22nd Cap and Trade Auction. The Auction result underperformed with only 1.38% of State-owned Current and Future Vintage Allowances being sold, resulting in expected proceeds of about \$8.1 million. The proceeds from the quarterly auction of these State-owned Allowances are what fund the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund (GGRF). These results are very similar to the August 2016 auction, which also saw none of the current vintage State-owned Allowances being sold. A full summary results report is available [here](#).

Two bills, AB 151 (Burke) and AB 378 (Garcia) have been introduced to extend the Cap-and-Trade mechanism in an attempt to reduce the volatility being witnessed in the carbon market. As previously reported, the Governor has proposed a \$2.1 billion GGRF Expenditure Plan, but these auction results will likely change the size of any final GGRF Expenditure Plan. The expectation is that programs by Cap-and-Trade are likely to get little to no money

for the 2017-2018 budget due to poor auction performances. However, if one of the previously mentioned bills passes with a two-thirds vote, there will be greater certainty for higher auction returns.

CSG will continue to provide updates as information becomes available.


Tree Armageddon!


Saturday, May 27th from 9:00 AM to noon


Riverside-Corona Resource Conservation District, Building F conference room
4500 Glenwood Drive, Riverside 92501 (free parking)

Join us for a symposium!

**with Drs. Richard Stouthamer, Akif Eskalen, & Tom Scott
(UC Riverside and UC Cooperative Extension)**


 polyphagous shothole borer (PSHB)


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 goldspotted oak borer (GSOB)

Hear about the invasive insects and diseases that are killing native and other trees in urban and wildland habitats of southern California.

Can we save our trees? Learn what local research teams are doing to slow and limit the spread of the insects and diseases.

 *Fusarium* dieback

 *Xylella* leaf scorch diseases

 *Phytophthora* water molds



PSHB galleries on arroyo willow.
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PSHB on western sycamore.
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CITY OF LAKE ELSINORE

Community Development Department
130 South Main Street, Lake Elsinore, CA 92530
(951) 674-3124

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY AND INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

An Initial Study (ER 2017-00002) for a Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) has been prepared pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) for the Third Street Storm Drain Project and is available for public review.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City Council of the City of Lake Elsinore, California, will hold a public hearing on May 23, 2017, at the Lake Elsinore Cultural Center, 183 North Main Street, Lake Elsinore, California, 92530, at 7:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, to consider the MND and the proposed project, as described below. ALL INTERESTED PERSONS are hereby invited to attend this public hearing to present written information, express opinions or otherwise present evidence in the above matter. If you wish to legally challenge any action taken by the City on the above matter, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City prior to or at the public hearing.

Project Name:

Third Street Storm Drain Project

Project Location:

The proposed Third Street Storm Drain Project (Project) is located in southwestern Riverside County in the City of Lake Elsinore. The Project is situated within the Santa Ana River Basin and the Riverside County Flood Control and Water Conservation District (RCFC&WCD) Zone 3 watershed. More specifically, the Project site is located south of State Route 74 (Central Avenue), in the central portion of the City of Lake Elsinore, and is generally aligned within Third Street, but also includes portions of Collier Avenue, Cambern Avenue, Conard Avenue, and Welch Drive. The project site is located on the Lake Elsinore, California, United States Geologic Survey 7.5-minute quadrangle map, Township 5 South, Range 4 West, Section 31 (Latitude 33°41'26" North; Longitude 117°19'59" West).

Project Description:

The Project proposes the phased installation of an underground reinforced concrete pipe (RCP) and a reinforced concrete box (RCB) structure in order to adequately collect and convey the drainage flows of approximately 704 tributary acres under a 100-year flood event. More specifically, the Project involves the construction of a master drainage facility which would provide flood protection to the existing Third Street channel watershed and adjacent properties. Existing flood control improvements on the southern side of Collier Avenue include an existing earthen trapezoidal channel aligned along portions of Third Street beginning on the north side of Collier Avenue. This Initial Study will analyze the potential environmental impacts associated with two phases of drainage improvements located primarily along Third Street (Phase 1 and 2 of the proposed Project) which will connect to the existing flood control improvements.

- **Vick Knight Community Library**, 32593 Riverside Drive, Building 200, City of Lake Elsinore, CA 92530

Written comments and any questions regarding the project should be directed to:

Richard J. MacHott, Planning Manager
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City of Lake Elsinore
130 South Main Street
Lake Elsinore, CA 92530
951-674-3124 Ext. 209
rmachott@lake-elsinore.org



Date: April 18, 2017

Signature: _____

Richard J. MacHott
Title: Planning Manager
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NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY/NOTICE OF COMPLETION OF A DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT

DATE: April 17, 2017

TO: Interested Agencies, Organizations and Individuals

FROM: City of Lake Elsinore
Community Development Department – Planning Division
130 South Main Street
Lake Elsinore, CA 92530

The City of Lake Elsinore, as lead agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), is issuing notification that it has completed the Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) (State Clearinghouse Number 2016111029) for the project described below and that the completed document is available for review:

PROJECT TITLE: East Lake Specific Plan Amendment No. 11 Project

PROJECT LOCATION

The Project site is located in the City of Lake Elsinore within the westernmost portion of Riverside County, California. Surrounding cities include Canyon Lake and Menifee to the east and Wildomar to the south. United States Forest Service lands within the Cleveland National Forest border the City to the west. Interstate 15 (I-15) provides north-south regional access to the City and the Ortega Highway – State Route 74 (SR-74) extends in a northeast to southeast direction through the City. The Project site is bounded on the west by Lake Elsinore, on the east by Mission Trail and Corydon Road, on the north by Lakeshore Drive and Malaga Road, and on the south by undeveloped land and residential neighborhoods. The project site is depicted in the attached Land Use Map (Figure 1). (Latitude/Longitude: 33°38'43" North/117°19'06" West)

PROJECT BACKGROUND

The East Lake Specific Plan (ELSP) is a blueprint guide for the development of approximately 2,950 acres at the southern end of the City of Lake Elsinore. Adjacent to both the southeasterly shore of Lake Elsinore and Diamond Stadium, it has become home to "Dream Extreme" active sports facilities such as skydiving, hang-gliding, motocross, as well as an 18-hole golf course; making the City of Lake Elsinore the "Action Sports Capital of the World". As part of this project, the City of Lake Elsinore seeks to encourage and promote the "Dream Extreme" character of the area by updating the existing ELSP in order to accommodate opportunities for a wide variety of sporting venues and accessory support uses. In achieving its goal as a premier recreation destination, the proposed Project would offer both residents and visitors alike unique sporting experiences.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The ELSPA No. 11 is the proposed "Project". The proposed Project consists of amending the existing ELSP to:

NOA for the EAST LAKE SPECIFIC PLAN AMENDMENT NO. 11 PROJECT
APRIL 17, 2017
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Mr. Richard J. MacHott, Planning Manager
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PUBLIC WORKSHOP

The City of Lake Elsinore will conduct a public workshop to provide agencies and interested members of the public with an opportunity to ask questions and learn more about the East Lake Specific Plan Amendment No. 11 and the supporting draft EIR.

Date: Wednesday, May 3, 2017
Time: 6:00-8:00 PM
Location: Cultural Center
183 North Main Street
Lake Elsinore, CA 92530

PUBLIC HEARINGS

No hearing dates have been set at this time. Notification of the date, time, and place of future public hearings will be provided in compliance with City and CEQA requirements.

Date: April 17, 2017

Signature: 
Richard J. MacHott
Title: Planning Manager
Telephone: 951.674.3124 Ext. 209
E-mail Address: rmachott@lake-elsinore.org

Attachments:

- Figure 1: Land Use Plan



May 1, 2017

SUBJECT: Adopted Proposed LAFCO Budget for FY 2017-2018

To Distribution:

On April 27, 2017, the Riverside Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) adopted its FY 2017-18 Proposed Budget. The most significant change from the prior year's budget is appropriating necessary funding to resume its comprehensive Municipal Services Review (MSR) program. During the 2007 recession and post-recession years, the Commission implemented several permanent and short-term cost saving strategies. One of the short-term strategies was the deferral of statutorily required MSRs. Due to recent legislative efforts and the increased focus on MSRs by the State, it is critical that the Commission begin another comprehensive MSR initiative. This can be analogous to a city or county deferring its General Plan Update or a special district deferring a Capital Improvement Plan, which eventually would need to be completed. Largely as a result of the increased appropriations related to MSR related work, the local agency cost apportionment will be increasing by over 11 percent in FY 2017-18. Total appropriations were increased by 14.48 percent over the FY 2016-17 Budget. The increase represents a relatively small sum for most agencies (most cities will experience an increase of less than \$600 and the increase for most special districts will be below \$50).

The Commission is continuing its trend of fiscal responsibility by meeting its goal to fully fund its Compensated Absences Liability Reserve (CALR) and nearly meeting its General Reserve target by the close of FY 2017-18. As such, future year reserve allocations are expected to be minimal.

The adopted Proposed Budget is attached for your review. Adoption of the Final Budget is scheduled for May 25, 2017. For additional details, please refer to the staff report, which can be found within the April Agenda under the Meeting Information tab (previously transmitted) on the Commission's website at www.lafco.org. Please feel free to submit any comments to our office prior to the scheduled hearing on the Final Budget, but preferably by May 18th. If you have any questions, please contact George Spiliotis, Executive Officer at (951) 369-0631 or gspiliotis@lafco.org.

Sincerely,

George J. Spiliotis
Executive Officer

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FY 17-18 Adopted Proposed Budget
April 27, 2017

		FY 16-17 Final Budget	FY 17-18 Proposed Budget	Pct. Diff. from FY 16-17
OBJ:	Description			
510040	Regular Salaries	\$444,630	\$445,580	0.21%
510440	Leave Buydown	\$29,936	\$30,542	2.02%
517000	Workers Comp	\$3,390	\$6,433	89.76%
518100	Benefits	\$185,733	\$191,958	3.35%
	Total Appropriation 1	\$663,689	\$674,513	1.63%
520260	Computer Lines	\$0	\$0	
520330	Communication Svs	\$3,072	\$2,916	-5.08%
520930	Insurance- Liability/Property	\$6,364	\$6,946	9.15%
521340	Maint-Communications-Equip	\$300	\$0	-100.00%
521360	Maint-Computer Equip	\$15,140	\$12,890	-14.86%
521640	Maint-Software	\$0	\$0	
523100	Memberships	\$9,227	\$10,002	8.40%
523230	Misc Agency Exp	\$400	\$400	0.00%
523240	Non County Agency Exp	\$1,250	\$1,250	0.00%
523250	Refunds	\$100	\$100	0.00%
523620	Books/Publications	\$274	\$100	-63.50%
523680	Office Equip/Furn	\$500	\$500	0.00%
523700	Office Supplies	\$2,000	\$2,000	0.00%
523760	Postage/Mailings	\$5,649	\$4,483	-20.64%
523840	Computer Equip-Software	\$2,800	\$1,000	-64.29%
524560	Auditing/Accounting	\$9,378	\$8,422	-10.19%
524660	Consultants	\$10,000	\$150,000	1400.00%
524700	County Counsel	\$13,594	\$15,400	13.29%
524740	County Support Svs	\$0	\$0	
525020	Legal Svs	\$1,000	\$1,000	0.00%
525120	Micrographic Svs	\$4,371	\$728	-83.34%
525140	Personnel Svs	\$4,530	\$4,587	1.26%
525300	Peoplesoft Financials	\$0	\$0	
525310	Peoplesoft HRMS	\$0	\$0	
525330	RMAP Svs	\$90	\$27	-70.00%
525340	Temp Help Svs	\$100	\$100	0.00%
525440	Professional Svs.	\$0	\$0	
525600	Security	\$516	\$516	0.00%
525820	RCIT Pass-Thru Support	\$4,888	\$6,365	30.22%
525860	RCIT Device Support	\$3,189	\$0	-100.00%
526410	Legally Required Notices	\$7,656	\$6,258	-18.26%
526520	Rent/Lease-Copiers	\$2,740	\$2,640	-3.65%
526700	Rent/Lease-Bldgs	\$33,217	\$33,880	1.99%
526720	Rent/Lease Storage	\$1,048	\$986	-5.92%
527880	Training-Other	\$250	\$250	0.00%
528120	Commission Exp	\$15,010	\$14,846	-1.09%
528140	Conf Reg Fees	\$3,400	\$3,100	-8.82%
528900	Air Transportation	\$1,300	\$2,000	53.85%
528960	Lodging	\$2,400	\$2,400	0.00%
528980	Meals	\$600	\$500	-16.67%
529000	Misc Travel Exp	\$500	\$500	0.00%
529040	Mileage	\$13,086	\$12,150	-7.15%
529080	Rental Vehicles	\$300	\$100	-66.67%
	Total Appropriation 2	\$180,239	\$309,342	71.63%
581000	Approp For Contingency	\$17,357	\$20,000	15.23%
308100	Reserve-General	\$52,000	\$52,000	0.00%
	Reserve-Comp. Absences Liab.	\$71,500	\$71,500	0.00%
	TOTAL APPROP./EXPEND.	\$984,785	\$1,127,355	14.48%
	REVENUE:			
740020	Interest	\$1,200	\$1,800	50.00%
777520	Fee Revenue	\$100,000	\$100,000	0.00%
	PY Fund Balance	\$52,120	\$95,501	83.23%
	Trans from General Reserve	\$0	\$0	
781560	Local Agency Share	\$831,465	\$930,054	11.86%
	TOTAL REVENUES	\$984,785	\$1,127,355	14.48%
	SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	\$0	\$0	
	RESERVE BALANCES:			
	General	\$172,381	\$224,381	
	Compensated Absences Liab.	\$137,500	\$209,000	

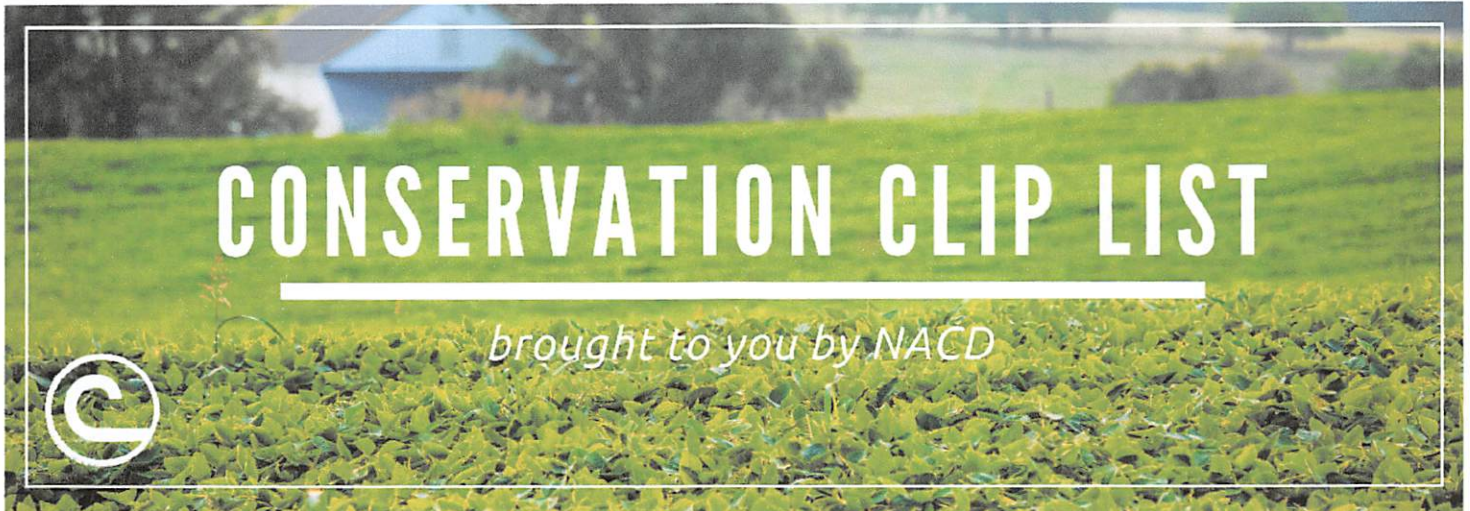
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NACD Blog: [Soil Health PSAs: A great way to spread the message](#)

The Redlands Community College (El Reno, Oklahoma), USDA Southern Plains Climate Hub, and Oklahoma NRCS recently teamed up to produce three public service announcements (PSAs) on soil health.

NACD Blog: [NACD participates in Field to Market meetings](#)

Field to Market committees gathered for face-to-face meetings in Washington, D.C., last week, where NACD was represented by Director of Development Melisa Augusto and Communications Specialist Bill Berry.

NACD Blog: [Forestry Notes Q&A: Sustainable Urban Forests Coalition](#)

Gerry Gray and Paul Ries serve as co-chairs of the Sustainable Urban Forests Coalition (SUFC). The Coalition's 35 members represent state and federal agencies, non-governmental organizations, private industry, and other urban forestry interests.

[Thune calls for raising cap on CRP acres via Agri-Pulse](#)

Thune, a Republican who serves on the Senate Agriculture Committee, proposed a CRP cap of 30 million acres and expanded haying and grazing on land under a contract. The cap would be a 6 million acre increase from the current 24 million acre limit imposed by the 2014 farm bill.

[Wildfires Scorch Parts of Florida; Gov. Declares Emergency via U.S. News](#)

Firefighters are battling wildfires from the top of Florida near the Georgia line to Miami-Dade County in the south. Agriculture Commissioner Adam Putnam said this is the most active wildfire season since 2011, with some 107 fires statewide.

Push to dismantle Water Works likely dead in Legislature via The Des Moines Register

A bill to dismantle the Des Moines Water Works is likely dead in the Iowa Legislature this session, although some lawmakers want talks to continue on regional representation for central Iowa water customers.

Salt from icy roads is contaminating North America's lakes via The Washington Post

NaCl kept roads free from slippery ice, but it also changed the nature of North America's freshwater lakes. Of 371 lakes reviewed in the new study, 44 percent showed signs of long-term salinization. Extrapolating that finding for all of North America, at least 7,770 lakes are at risk of elevated salt levels.

California governor declares end to drought emergency via Reuters

One of the worst droughts in California history has officially ended, Governor Jerry Brown declared, but not before it strained the state's farm economy and threatened water supplies for millions of residents. The drought cost the agricultural economy billions, killed an estimated 100 million trees, led a half-million acres of farmland to be fallowed, and deprived some communities of reliable sources of drinking water.

Trump Administration Lifts Hiring Freeze via Roll Call

New guidance from the Trump administration will officially end the federal hiring freeze implemented days after the president took office. Instead, agencies are instructed to act wherever possible to bring their workforce size and activities in line with Trump's fiscal 2018 budget plan.

Yellowstone Grizzly Expands Habitat via Wyoming Public Media Statewide Network

Grizzly bears are expanding the range of their habitat in the Greater Yellowstone area. Management could be given to states as early as June when the Yellowstone-area grizzly bear may be taken off the Endangered Species List.

Trump approves funds for California relief, including \$274 million for Oroville Dam via The Sacramento Bee

President Donald Trump announced more than a half-billion dollars would be coming to California to help cover the damage from the winter storms, including \$274 million for repairs to the Oroville Dam spillway.

Critics: Lawmakers continue to defy will of voters on land conservation via New Chief

(Opinion) The Florida House is moving forward with a budget for next year that sets aside no money for the state's marquee land conservation program, Florida Forever, or a separate program that ranchers have used to put conservation easements on their properties. The Florida Senate is proposing to fund Florida Forever at a tiny fraction of what the state once spent, and also has no money for the agriculture easements program.

Trump Proposes EPA Cuts via DTN/The Progressive Farmer

Though the appetite for scaling back the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's influence in the countryside may be palpable, potential budget cuts to the agency may come in some areas critical to agriculture.

Wildfire risk is getting higher in 11 N.J. counties, weather service warns via NJ.com

Last week, New Jersey was saturated with rain and worried about flooding. Now, some forests and other wooded areas are getting very dry, which generates a whole new concern. The combination of low humidity and gusty winds has increased the risk of wildfires in 11 counties across the Garden State, as well as in eastern Pennsylvania.

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NACD Blog: [Team effort in Oklahoma promotes conservation education](#)

Teamwork and community partnerships have propelled a team of high schoolers in Oklahoma to the highest levels of the international Envirothon competition.

NACD Blog: [Putting Firewise to work in Washington](#)

Trilogy at Redmond Ridge, an active adult community of more than 1,500 homes, lies next to extensive forested areas in eastern King County, Washington. A group of Trilogy homeowners came together in 2015 with a goal of reducing the risk of wildfire to their homes and lives.

NACD Blog: [Conservation Client Gateway available to more producers than ever](#)

A key gateway to NRCS and conservation district services just got bigger. Conservation Client Gateway, the secure online web application for landowners and land managers, is now available to business entities in addition to individual landowners.

[Water quality funding bill gets Iowa Senate OK; fate uncertain in House](#) via The Des Moines Register

Legislation to significantly increase state funding to clean up Iowa's waters was approved by the Iowa Senate, although it faces an uncertain fate in the Iowa House with time running out in the 2017 Legislature's session. When the plan is fully funded in 2021, the \$27 million would be matched with about \$23 million already being appropriated annually for water quality projects, providing a total of about \$50 million per year to clean up the state's waters.

[The trees that make Southern California shady and green are dying. Fast.](#) via Los Angeles Times

The trees that shade, cool, and feed people from Ventura County to the Mexican border are dying so fast that within a few years it's possible the region will look, feel, sound, and smell much less pleasant than it does now.

[USDA To Weigh In On Whether Organic Farming Means Using Soil](#) via Forbes

USDA's National Organic Standard Board (NOSB) will decide whether hydroponic and aquaponic techniques to grow produce can continue to be eligible for the USDA-organic label. The outcome will determine whether these farmers can target the \$39 billion market for organic produce.

[ND makes desperate attempt to keep sage grouse in state](#) via WDAY

Sage grouse are being airlifted into southwestern North Dakota with high hopes that this native bird can be saved. The once plentiful bird has declined to near extinction in the state.

[These policy changes will help California prepare for the next drought](#) via The Sacramento Bee

(Opinion) Gov. Jerry Brown has declared the drought over. What did we learn from more than five years of drought that could help us better manage the next one?

[USDA announces \\$6.3 million in available funding on resilient agroecosystems](#) via Science Magazine

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA) announced \$6.3 million in available funding for projects to support resilient agriculture and forestry production systems.

[Genetically-Engineered Moths Spark Debate Over Biotech Bugs](#) via Bloomberg News

Upstate New York is closer to seeing the release of moths that have been genetically engineered to produce non-viable larvae. The goal is to reduce populations of the diamondback moth, a pest that has caused significant damage to certain food crops.

[Monsanto Surpasses Pollinator Habitat Goal, Doubles Number of Certified Conservation Sites](#) via KTIC

Monsanto Company announced that it has reached key milestones in protecting species and promoting sustainable landscapes, two major components of its biodiversity strategy. In fiscal year 2016, Monsanto established 72 habitats at company sites across the U.S. for monarch butterflies and other pollinators.

[Pests, weeds, crop diseases arriving early](#) via Feedstuffs

A warmer-than-usual winter and wet spring are ushering in some crop diseases and weeds early in the season and could trigger more pest problems this summer.

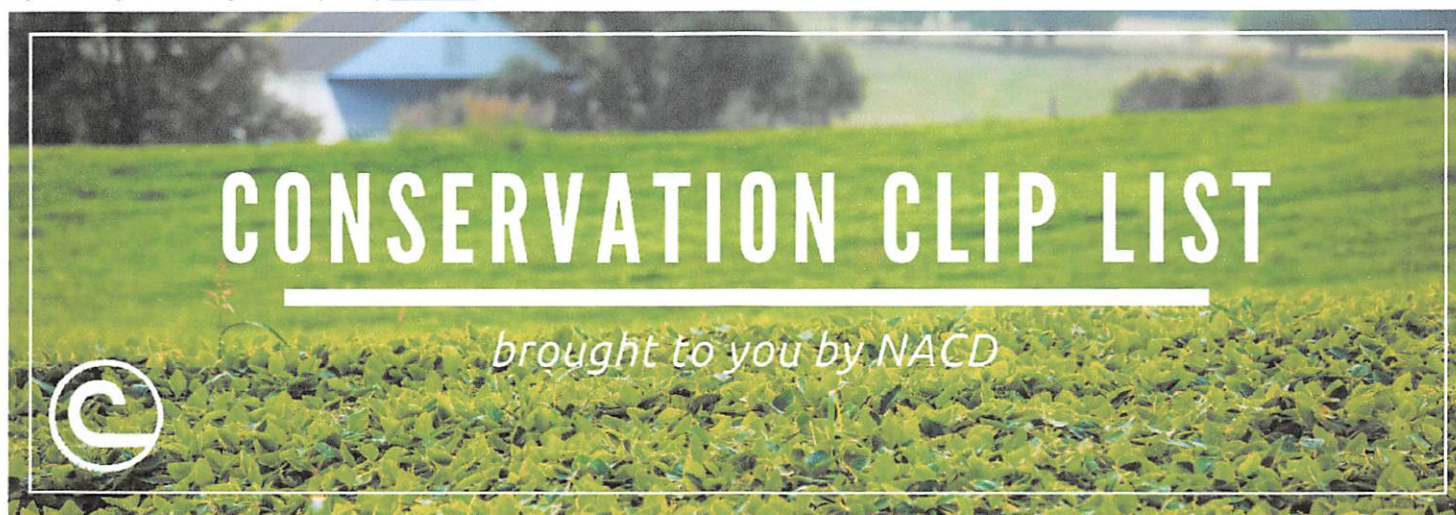
[In South Florida, green iguanas spread into suburban scourge](#) via Associated Press

Perched in trees and scampering down sidewalks, green iguanas have become so common across South Florida that many see them not as exotic invaders, but as reptilian squirrels. The damage, cleanup, and health concerns associated with iguanas, as well as their dramatic population growth, has prompted state officials to start thinking about management strategies.

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NACD Blog: [DOI review of designations under Antiquities Act underway](#)

Local communities should have the opportunity to review and comment on national monument designations prior to any designation being declared. National monument designations can sometimes inadvertently lead to the creation of permanent “museums” where conservation and effective natural resource management is excluded.

NACD Blog: [April is National Garden Month: Know the difference between 'non-native' and 'invasive'](#)

April is National Garden Month! While you're welcoming spring and the return of pollinators, make sure you're not introducing invasive species inadvertently.

NACD Blog: [The importance of Section 319 grants](#)

In the administration's justification for eliminating 319, it suggested all voluntary, nonpoint source conservation efforts should be conducted through USDA. This rationale ignores the unique and complementary role the Section 319 program plays in helping local communities address nonpoint source pollution from urban stormwater runoff, abandoned mine drainage, sediments from construction sites, and so many other non-agricultural sources.

NACD Blog: [Did You Know? District Structure and Governance](#)

This month's chapter from the NACD District Outlook Task Force Report tackles conservation district structure and governance.

[General Mills commits millions to soil health initiative](#) via Star Tribune

General Mills is committing \$2 million over three years to help improve soil health. This new funding will help The Nature Conservancy, along with the Soil Health Institute and the Soil Health Partnership, implement plans outlined last fall.

[Trump orders Agriculture Dept. to end unnecessary regulations, help farmers](#) via Fox News

President Trump signed an executive order telling the Agriculture Department to identify and eliminate potentially unnecessary regulations that “hurt farmers and rural communities.” The order also establishes a task force that will review policies, legislation, and regulations that potentially hurt agricultural and economic growth.

[Sonny Perdue is confirmed by the Senate as the next agriculture secretary](#) via USA Today

After months without a secretary of agriculture, the Senate voted to confirm former Georgia Gov. Sonny Perdue to the post. Perdue was sworn in as the 31st secretary of agriculture on Tuesday.

[Wolves Returned to State Management in Wyoming](#) via Tri-State Livestock News

The Circuit Court of Appeals in Washington, D.C., entered its final order upholding Wyoming's wolf management plan, which confirms Wyoming's management of wolves.

[Trump To Sign Executive Order That Could Shrink National Monuments](#) via NPR

President Trump signed an executive order that could end up shrinking — or even nullifying — some large federal national monuments on protected public lands. Interior Secretary Ryan Zinke said the order will direct his department to review all national monument designations on federal public land since 1996 that are 100,000 acres or more in size.

[Florida wildfires: More than 100 fires burning, thousands evacuated](#) via WCVB

Thousands of Floridians are under mandatory evacuation orders as more than 115 wildfires scorch the state. Nearly 30,000 acres of the Sunshine State have burned.

[Conservationists say honeysuckle is their top foe](#) via SFGate

Honeysuckle, particularly bush or Amur honeysuckle, is public enemy No. 1 of conservationists and naturalists. Honeysuckle not only keeps other species from blooming and growing properly, it has little benefit.

[Bad beasts, good treats: Feral hog slaughterhouse takes off](#) via The Washington Post

Feral hogs are believed to cause \$76 million or more in damage across the state every year, but in recent years, a small Louisiana slaughterhouse has begun butchering the hogs and selling the product to grocery stores and restaurants as part of an effort to help control the hogs' numbers.

[Some high plains farmers struggling after fires, drought](#) via Chicago Tribune

Deep snow is melting into Western mountain streams, but some farmers and ranchers on the high plains are struggling amid a lengthy dry spell and the aftermath of destructive wildfires. A swath of Colorado, Kansas, Oklahoma, and Texas has been in a drought or near-drought condition for six months.

[Waste Not, Want Not: Why Aren't More Farms Putting Poop To Good Use?](#) via NPR

Some places in the U.S. are already using digesters to capture the energy potential in food waste. Only about 200 farms in the U.S. have a digester, but the Environmental Protection Agency estimates that more than 8,000 farms could have them.

[Opinion: Crop insurance rules hinder soil health](#) via Agri-Pulse

(Opinion) To be eligible for crop insurance, farmers who use cover crops must meet specific management rules. These rules force many to choose between soil health and crop insurance coverage, posing three

Subject **CSDA e-News: 2017 CSDA Award Nominations Open!**

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2017 CSDA Award Nominations Now Open! Due July 21

Each year, CSDA presents various awards during the CSDA Annual Conference & Exhibitor Showcase. There are several different categories to enter your district, chapter, and/or an individual. All nominations must be submitted by July 21, 2017. [Read more...](#)

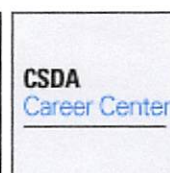
Bill Eliminates Local Services without Due Process and Repeals Audit Reforms

Earlier this month, SB 448 (Wieckowski) was amended to make a number of changes to existing law affecting special districts. SB 448 establishes new audit requirements for special districts, creates new categories of "inactive" and "idle" districts, and amends the dissolution process for these new categories of districts, and requires counties to include additional information on the county tax bill related to the services provided in the county. CSDA has taken an Oppose Unless Amended position and encourages districts to communicate the same position to the State Legislature. [Read more...](#)

Deadline to Guarantee Legislative Office Visits for Special Districts Legislative Days!

It's not too late to register for the Special Districts Legislative Days and guarantee your spot for a pre-arranged legislative visit! Register by Friday, April 21 for an opportunity to meet with key legislative officials and staff. Special Districts Legislative Days provides attendees with the opportunity to interact with statewide policymakers and legislators, and hear first-hand about the latest legislative proposals directly affecting special

April 18, 2017



EDUCATION CALENDAR

April 19
[Public Engagement and Budgeting Webinar](#)

districts.

Register today for this important two-day conference, held at the Grand Events Center in Sacramento. For more information regarding Legislative Days, including the schedule, list of speakers, hotel accommodations and more, please visit legislatedays.csdanet.net.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

How to Find, Apply, and Secure Grant Funding - Webinar

Presenter: Christopher Townsend, Townsend Public Affairs
May 11, 2017 from 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

The webinar will provide members with an overview on the mechanics of the grant seeking and grant application process. The focus will be on the development of a grant funding strategy, the ability to research funding opportunities, the development and submittal of grant applications, the follow up related to grant applications, and preparation of grant administration. The course will educate participants on the importance of pursuing funding opportunities and will ensure that they are fully prepared for each step associated with the grant seeking process. This will include a discussion on how to: conduct grant research, identify funding opportunities, develop grant proposals, seek stakeholder support, review and edit grant proposals, finalize and submit grant proposals, advocate for funding, and ensure readiness for grant award compliance. Click here now to register.



Beyond the Basics: Implementing Funding - in Sacramento!

Presenter: John Bliss, SCI Consulting
May 24, 2017 from 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Funding for special districts throughout California continues to be a significant challenge, with important political and legal challenges. In this all-day workshop, participants will be presented with the entire process to establish new revenues, from first concept to final implementation. This interactive workshop will provide critical, "real-world" steps and important strategies, combined with case studies, on special taxes, benefit assessments, fees and charges, grants, and other approaches. Click here now to register.

MEMBER SERVICES

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PERMIT TECHNICIAN | San Ramon Valley Fire Protection District

Civil Engineering Department Manager | Turlock Irrigation District

Aedes Control Technician | Greater Los Angeles County Vector Control District

Mosquito Control Technician | Greater Los Angeles County

related to CSDA's member services, legislative advocacy, education and resources. The Board of Directors is crucial to the operation of the association and to the representation of the common interests of all California's special districts before the Legislature and the state administration. [Read more...](#)

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Bay Area Water District Offers More Than \$950,000 in Grants

As part of the voter-approved [Safe, Clean Water and Natural Flood Protection Program](#), the Santa Clara Valley Water District has opened a grant application process to award up to \$971,000 in a series of grant and partnership opportunities and a new mini-grant pilot program. To support and continue volunteer cleanup, education, outreach and watershed stewardship activities, such as National River Cleanup and Coastal Cleanup days, \$200,000 is available. Another \$571,000 is available for restoring wildlife habitat and providing access to trails and open space. [Grant applications are due by 3 p.m. on Wednesday, May 3.](#) For more questions regarding the 2017 grant cycle, email grants@valleywater.org.

Sonoma County Parks & Trails See Invasion of Poison Oak, Ticks, and Other Pests



Lush greenery, gurgling streams and cascading waterfalls are some of the welcome signs across the North Coast that five years of punishing drought are behind us. But be warned. Torrential rains also are fueling a bumper crop of poison oak along with copious numbers of ticks, mosquitoes and other pests. Many are learning that the hard way after getting home from an outdoor adventure and discovering they or their

pets are covered in ticks. Or days later, after they have broken out with a rash from contact with poison oak. Tick nymphs, which are no larger than poppy seeds, are of greatest concern for the bacteria that causes Lyme disease, said Nizza Sequeira, a spokeswoman for the Marin-Sonoma Mosquito and Vector Control District. [Read more...](#)

[Vector Control District](#)

[Distribution Operator I / II](#)
[Sacramento Suburban Water District](#)

To view all job opportunities, please visit the [Career Center](#).

Open RFPs and RFQs:

RFQ - On-Call Sanitation Engineering Consulting Services

RFP - Audit Services

RFP - Capital Plan/Replacement Reserve Study

RFP - Unified Corridor Investment Study

RFP - Redistricting Services

[View and download open RFPs and RFQs at the RFP Clearinghouse.](#)

For information on posting an RFP or job opportunity, call 877.924.2732.

NEW Scholarship Opportunity for GM Summit!

The [Special District Leadership Foundation](#) (SDLF)

now offers a **new**

scholarship opportunity, thanks

to the Wells Fargo Foundation. If you

are a manager or supervisor of a special district located in a community defined as "disadvantaged" or "severely disadvantaged" or otherwise defined as low income; please consider applying for the [Access to Excellence scholarship](#). This scholarship will provide registration fees for 10 people to attend the [CSDA General Manager Leadership Summit](#), held June 25-27, 2017.

[Apply for this scholarship today!](#)



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Legislature Voting on Priority Bills for Special Districts this Week

April 25, 2017

On Wednesday, April 26, the Assembly Local Government Committee will hear CSDA's sponsored legislation, [Assembly Bill 979 \(Lackey\)](#) regarding special district representation on local agency formation commissions. The same day, the Senate Governance and Finance Committee will hear [Senate Bill 448 \(Weickowski\)](#) related to inactive special districts. While CSDA supports the intent of SB 448 to promote transparency and accountability, the association is opposed to the bill until it is amended to address concerns over due process. CSDA is also strongly opposed to [SB 496 \(Cannella\)](#), which would force public agencies to pay for the legal defense of private engineers and is moving on a fast-track to the Governor's desk. Download a [sample oppose letter for SB 496](#) and a [sample support letter for AB 979](#), and review [CSDA's Legislative Hot Sheet](#) for this week.

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CSDA Supports Districts Rate Setting Discretion in Prop 218 Case

CSDA recently joined a court case pending before the Second District Court of Appeal involving the amount of deference provided to reasonable rate-making supported by a district's record and the ability to respond to costs arising from drought. The amicus brief, filed on behalf of CSDA, the League of California Cities, and the California State Association of Counties in *Goleta AG Preservation v. Goleta Water District, et al.* (B277227), specifically addresses the scope of discretion for a governing body of a local agency to apportion the cost of water service to recover costs, as well as to encourage conservation and prevent inefficient water use in the effort to preserve water for all Californians. [Read more...](#)

Don't Forget - Join Green California Leaders this Week

Join special district and other local government leaders in Sacramento at the [11th Annual Green California Summit and Expo](#) to learn about strategies, best practices, and products focused on sustainability. The Summit, held April 26-27, provides a forum to learn new innovations in policy, technology, and practice. The Summit's Expo offers attendees a chance for hands-on exposure to technologies and services that can play a critical role in the planning, design, and execution of green projects. Attendees can also [register](#) for education sessions led by expert practitioners sharing their knowledge and successful actions.

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PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

2017 General Manager Leadership Summit Keynote Speakers

Join us at the [2017 General Manager Leadership Summit](#) this June and hear from our keynote speakers Keni Thomas and Michael Grabow!

Keni Thomas, U.S. Army Ranger Veteran of "Black Hawk Down" Mission, will be starting off the conference with his presentation "Get It On! What It Means to Lead the Way." Keni's inspiring stories from his Army Ranger days are extraordinary examples of leadership and he helps attendees see themselves in the light of extraordinary.



Michael Grabow will kick off the second day of the conference with his presentation "Communication 360 Starts with YOU!" This speech will allow attendees to learn valuable skills such as listening and mastering feedback, that they can take away with them to their districts. Michael's tips and tools on better communication will soon have your district standing out from the rest.



Need funds to go? Apply for the Special District Leadership Foundation's (SDF) [Access to Excellence Scholarship](#). The scholarship will cover registration fees for 10 special district managers, supervisors and other management staff that are employed at districts in disadvantaged and/or low income communities. More information is available at www.sdlf.org.

MEMBER SERVICES

CSDA Welcomes New Members

Sixteen new members were approved at last week's meeting of the CSDA Board of Directors. Please join us in welcoming the following agencies and businesses:

Bear Mountain Recreation and Park District
 Borrego Water District
[Buckmaster Office Solutions](#)
 City of Jurupa
[CV Strategies](#)
 Desert Water Agency
[Devaney Pate Morris & Cameron, LLP](#)
 Hombrook Community Services District
 Kelseyville County Waterworks District
[Porter Scott](#)
[RBC Capital Markets](#)
 Richgrove Community Services District
 Salton Sea Authority
[SmartWatt Energy](#)
 Strawberry Fire Protection District
[Wallace Group](#)

DISTRICT PRESS

Southern CA Water District Unveils Ocean Friendly Garden at City Hall

Legislative Days

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EMPLOYMENT AND RFPS

Listed below are the most recent positions posted to CSDA's [Career Center](#):

[Risk Management Officer | Contra Costa Water District](#)

[General Manager | East Palo Alto Sanitary District](#)

[General Manager | Contra Costa Mosquito & Vector Control District](#)

[Management Analyst | Tuolumne Utilities District](#)

[Vector Control Aide I/II \(Seasonal\) | San Mateo County Mosquito and Vector Control District](#)

To view all job opportunities, please visit the [Career Center](#).



West Basin Municipal Water District and the City of Inglewood hosted a [ribbon-cutting ceremony last week to unveil an Ocean Friendly Garden](#) (OFG), as part of West Basin's Ocean Friendly Landscape Program, at Inglewood City Hall. The 1,503 square-foot sustainable garden, located in front of City Hall, features drought-tolerant plants that thrive in dry climates and will conserve water during times of drought. Installed

with the help of service area residents, the OFG demonstrates drought-tolerant techniques and encourages residents to implement similar gardens at home.

Monterey Water Districts Launch Pure Water Monterey Project

Pure Water Monterey, a recycled water project launched by the Monterey Regional Water Pollution Control Agency and the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District, will deliver 3,500 acre-feet of water annually to the Monterey Peninsula beginning in 2018. [Read more...](#)

Open RFPs and RFQs:

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RFP - Audit Services

RFP - Redistricting Services

View and download open RFPs and RFQs at the [RFP Clearinghouse](#).

For information on posting an RFP/RFQ or job opportunity, call 877.924.2732.

New Transparency Certificate of Excellence Renewals

The [Highlands Recreation District](#) and [San Bernardino Valley Water Conservation District](#)

have been renewed for the Transparency Certificate of Excellence through the [Special District Leadership Foundation](#) (SDLF). This program promotes transparency in the operations and governance of special districts and provides them with an opportunity to showcase their efforts in transparency. This is an SDLF-sponsored program, so it is free for districts to participate in and receive recognition by completing the application requirements.

Submit your application for the Transparency Certificate of Excellence by [clicking here](#) or contact Beth Hummel, program assistant, at (916) 231-2939 or by email at bethh@sdlf.org for more information.



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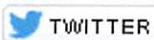
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CSDA Voices Opposition to District Dissolution without Due Process

CSDA staff [testified in opposition](#) to SB 448 (Wieckowski) during last week's Senate Governance and Finance Hearing. SB 448 seeks to provide a definition for "inactive" and "idle" districts, makes changes to the dissolution process for special districts, and

increases special district financial reporting requirements. As outlined in its [position letter](#), CSDA pointed out the need for amendments to allow local agency formation commissions (LAFCOs) to consider other options besides dissolution when appropriate, allow special districts to testify on their own dissolution, and reduce redundant paperwork requirements. SB 448 ultimately passed out of committee with the Author and Chair committing to work with CSDA on our concerns. In addition to hearing SB 448, last week the Legislature passed SB 496 (Cannella) and postponed a hearing on AB 979 (Lackey). [Read more...](#)

Little Hoover Commission Refining Special Districts Review

At its business meeting last week, the Little Hoover Commission set direction for the next steps in its review of special districts that began last August. Several Commissioners articulated an evolution in their opinion on special districts and the approach the Commission should be taking. Generally, the Commission expressed a desire to focus on how special districts and the State can provide the public with better information about local services providers. The Commission will now call a "roundtable" meeting in June with key stakeholders in order to refine the recommendations it is drafting for its final report. [Read more...](#)

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

The ABC's of the PRA

Wednesday, June 14, 2017

9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Pleasant Valley Recreation and Park District

Join us for this [FREE](#) workshop and find out new updates and best



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practices for records retention!

There will be three sessions included in this workshop including:

- The Public Records Act and Records Retention
- Making Records Management Real
- The Journey to Digital Transformation

Click [here](#) to register now for this FREE workshop!

Download the complete [2017 Professional Development Catalog](#) for more information on all CSDA conferences, workshops, webinars, and on-demand webinars.

MEMBER SERVICES

Dozens of Job Opportunities Listed in the CSDA Career Center

Thinking about a change? Have you visited the [CSDA Career Center](#) lately? Current job listings include dozens of opportunities in special districts all over the state:

General Manager
Finance Director
Recreation Supervisor
Human Resources Manager
Public Affairs Specialist
Risk Management Officer

Browse these jobs and many more, and access resources to help you succeed in your career path. Visit the [CSDA Career Center](#) today!

DISTRICT PRESS

Celebrate Water Awareness Month - Photo Contest!



With the start of Water Awareness Month this month, the [San Diego County Water Authority](#) wants to see, and share, what water means to the region's residents – how they experience it, use it, appreciate it and know of its importance in everyday activities and their surroundings – through the month long Live WaterSmart photo contest. Hosted on Instagram, the contest will offer prizes for something people do every day on social media. Entering is easy – all participants have to do is submit a photo by email to the Water Authority at sdcw@sdcw.org that demonstrates how water is an essential part of their lives or in what they see around them. [Click here](#) for more information.

Representatives Needed for Environmental Justice Advisory Group

The San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District is seeking two people to represent Merced County and Madera County on its Environmental Justice Advisory Group (EJAG). Residents who have experience in air quality issues and representing low-income or ethnic communities are encouraged to apply for the volunteer positions. The EJAG works to educate the public and community stakeholders about air quality and current Valley Air District activities. The group also reviews and provides feedback on the district's programs and strategies. Applications can be submitted to the Valley Air District at 1990 E Gettysburg, Fresno, CA 93726 before 5 p.m. of May 18. For more information on EJAG or for an application go to www.valleyair.org/ejag.

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EMPLOYMENT AND RFPS

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[LAFCO Executive Officer | Solano Local Agency Formation Commission](#)

[MANAGEMENT ANALYST | Central Contra Costa Sanitary District](#)

[General Manager | Big Bear City Community Services District](#)

[Administrative Assistant | Kinneloa Irrigation District](#)

[Director of Finance | Ventura Regional Sanitation District](#)

NEW District of Distinction Reaccreditations

The [Temecula Public Cemetery District](#) and [Vista Irrigation District](#) have been reaccredited as a District of Distinction through the [Special District Leadership Foundation](#) (SDLF). The District of Distinction accreditation is one of the most prestigious local government awards in the state of California. This award clearly validates the district's commitment to good governance and to ethical and sound operating practices.

Submit your application to become a District of Distinction by clicking [here](#) for the application. Or contact [Beth Hummel](#), SDLF program assistant, at (916) 231-2939.



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Commitment and Expectations:

Attend all Board meetings, held every other month at the CSDA office in Sacramento.

Participate on at least one committee, meets 3-5 times a year at the CSDA office in Sacramento.
(CSDA reimburses Directors for their related expenses for Board and committee meetings as outlined in Board policy).

Attend CSDA's two annual events: Special Districts Legislative Days (*held in the spring*) and the CSDA Annual Conference (*held in the fall*).

Complete all four modules of CSDA's Special District Leadership Academy within two years.
(CSDA does not reimburse for expenses for the two conferences or the Academy classes even if a Board or committee meeting is held in conjunction with the events).

Nomination Procedures: Any Regular Member in good standing is eligible to nominate one person, a board member or managerial employee (as defined by that district's Board of Directors), for election to the CSDA Board of Directors. **A copy of the member district's resolution or minute action and [Candidate Information Sheet](#) must accompany the [Nomination Form](#).**

The deadline for receiving nominations is May 19, 2017. Nominations and supporting documentation may be mailed, faxed, or emailed.

CSDA will mail ballots on June 2. The ballots must be received by CSDA no later than 5:00 p.m. August 4, 2017. The successful candidates will be notified no later than August 8. All selected Board Members will be introduced at the Annual Conference in Monterey, CA in September 2017.

Expiring Terms (Seat C. 2018-2020 term)

Northern Network: Fred Ryness, Burney Water District*

Sierra Network: Pete Kampa, Saddle Creek Community Services District*

Bay Area Network: Stanley Caldwell, Mt. View Sanitary District*

Subject **eResource - This Week's NACD News Briefs**
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NACD ASKS CONGRESS TO REJECT PROPOSED SLASHING OF 319 GRANTS

NACD is deeply concerned that the president's Fiscal Year 2018 budget proposes eliminating a voluntary program critical to improving watersheds and providing cleaner drinking water across the country.



"The Section 319 grant program routinely provides communities with the resources they need to keep our nation's streams, rivers, and lakes healthy and productive," NACD President Brent Van Dyke said. "This program has been proven effective at improving impaired watersheds across the country in a diversity of circumstances. We strongly encourage Congress to

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New to NACD's Blog:

Soil Health PSAs: A great way to spread the message

Oklahoma NRCS teamed up with a local community college and the USDA's Southern Plains Climate Hub to produce three public service announcements (PSAs) on soil health. These made-for-radio PSAs will be broadcast to promote soil health practices as a cost-savings strategy that also helps mitigate the effects of extreme weather events. Click on the link above to hear the PSAs and learn more.

Forestry Notes Q&A with the Sustainable Urban Forests Coalition

In this Forestry Notes Q&A, NACD's Forestry Specialist Mike Beacom sits down with Gerry Gray and Paul Ries, co-chairs of the Sustainable Urban Forests Coalition (SUFC), to discuss the future of the urban forestry movement and how local conservation districts can get

disregard this proposal.”

[Click here to read the full release](#) NACD put out yesterday on the importance of the EPA's Section 319 program.

NACD REPRESENTED AT MEETING ON RCPP – HAS YOUR DISTRICT SUBMITTED ITS PRE-APPLICATION?

Last Friday, NACD Past President Lee McDaniel and Northeast Region Representative and Policy Specialist Eric Hansen attended a meeting on the Regional Conservation Partnership Program (RCPP) hosted by the Baltimore County Soil Conservation District and Maryland NRCS.

With the RCPP pre-proposal deadline approaching this month, the meeting focused stakeholder attention on how to build successful projects and get more conservation on the ground in the Chesapeake Bay. Is your conservation district or state association interested in participating in a RCPP project? **Pre-proposals will be accepted by NRCS until April 21.**

To learn more about RCPP proposal requirements and best practices, [head to the NRCS website](#).

NATIONAL CONSERVATION PLANNING PARTNERSHIP PUBLISHES GUIDE

The National Conservation Planning Partnership has published a comprehensive guide on the importance and future of conservation planning in the United

States.

NCPP is made up of five partners committed to advancing conservation planning: NACD, NRCS, the [National Conservation District Employees Association](#)

involved.

NACD participates in Field to Market meetings

Field to Market is a diverse group of grower organizations, agribusinesses, retail companies, and conservation groups like NACD committed to defining, measuring, and advancing the sustainability of food, fiber, and fuel production. Members of Field to Market committees – including NACD's Melisa Augusto and Bill Berry – gathered in Washington, D.C., last week. Read this blog post to learn more.

Interested in participating in Conservation Planning Boot Camp?

Are you a technician or planner employed by a conservation district? Do you work with customers to develop or implement conservation plans, conservation systems, and conservation practices? You may be eligible to attend Conservation Planning Boot Camp.

April 19 is the last day for state/territory associations to submit Boot Camp participant information to NACD for the May 9 – May 25 session. For more information on participant eligibility, requirements, and reimbursement, check out [NACD's Conservation Planning Boot Camp webpage](#).

Stewardship Week is just around the corner...

NACD's 62nd Stewardship Week will take place April 30 to May 7.



(NCDEA), the [National Association of State Conservation Agencies \(NASCA\)](#), and the [National Association of RC&D Councils \(NARCDs\)](#).

You can read it on NACD's [Partners webpage](#) (under the first accordion option: "National Conservation Planning Partnership").

The publication is also available [on NRCS' website](#).



PERRY COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT, ARKANSAS

The Perry County Conservation District (CD) is located in rural central Arkansas in the Ouachita Mountains, roughly 55 miles northwest of Little Rock. Many of the county's residents must travel over 25 miles to reach the closest supermarket; and the local food bank in Perryville is often only able to stay open two hours a day because they run out of food so quickly.

To help make sure healthy fresh food is available to all citizens in the county, the Perry County CD launched "The Garden" in October 2016, along with its Perry County Youth Garden Club. The community space covers three city blocks behind the district office in Perryville. There, residents can raise fresh fruits, vegetables, and herbs as well as plants, trees, and flowers to sell at mobile stands across the district. The profits will be shared with two elementary schools in support of their Take Home Backpack food program.

Will you join us in celebrating the 2017 theme "**Healthy Soils are Full of Life!**"? If you haven't made plans for Stewardship Week yet, [visit this page](#) for ideas. There you'll find links for a sample public service announcement, a template news release, a proclamation, and all of [2017's downloadable education materials](#).

NACD's Eric Hansen and Diana Blackwood will celebrate Stewardship Week at the Delaware state association's Governor's Conservation Awards and Legislator of the Year Award event on May 3, where the association will recognize a young person from Delaware who had a winning entry in the 2016 NACD poster contest.



Pictured above is Grace Nordmeyer, a sophomore student at Ursuline Academy in Wilmington, Delaware. Rick Mickowski, New Castle Conservation District's conservation planner and public outreach coordinator, presented her 2nd place certificate for the 2016 NACD photo contest last Friday during a school ceremony.

Mark your calendars... and show your Envirothon spirit!

Join us in celebrating the first Envirothon Spirit Day on Wednesday, April 26, as we ramp



In addition to support from Perryville Mayor John Roland, the Perry County CD has connected with the county sheriff, churches in the county, and other concerned citizens. Together they are working to ensure the initiative serves county citizens in the best possible way.

To learn more about Perry County CD's Urban Agriculture Conservation Initiative project, [visit NACD's Urban and Community webpage](#).

up for the 2017 NCF Envirothon this July! This year's issue – Agricultural Soil and Water Conservation Stewardship – focuses on sustaining our natural resources and improving the land's capacity to sustain life.



Show your #envirothonspirit by eating local, taking a photo with your #envirothon team, or sharing your Envirothon story. Submit your photos of how you're spending #envirothonspiritday to administration@envirothon.org, [@NCFEnvirothon](https://www.facebook.com/NCFEnvirothon), or on the [NCF Envirothon Facebook page](#).

Share your voluntary conservation success story!

The National Association of State Conservation Agencies ([NASCA](#)) is seeking success stories based on voluntary, incentive-based, locally-led conservation for their next webinar, scheduled for 10:00am Eastern on May 16, 2017. Call 208-301-4728 or email [Ray Ledgerwood](#) to volunteer for a presentation on your state's conservation success stories.

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NACD'S 62ND STEWARDSHIP WEEK CELEBRATION TO SHARE DAY WITH USDA FARMERS MARKET OPENING

Help NACD recognize the important conservation work being done around the country at this year's Stewardship Week celebration on the National Mall! Meet us in the People's Garden - located on Jefferson Drive and 12th Street SW, Washington, D.C. - on May 5 between 9:00am and 2:00pm Eastern to join the festivities.



All are welcome to join us in celebrating our 2017 stewardship theme: "Healthy Soils Are Full of Life!" Our special helper from NRCS, Sammy Soil, knows just how

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NACD's Summer Meeting will take place in just a few months!

Join us for the NACD Summer Conservation Forum and Tour in Altoona, Iowa, this July 15 - 18, 2017! NACD and the Conservation Districts of Iowa (CDI) will be jointly hosting the meeting at the Prairie Meadows Hotel.

The closest airport to the hotel and conference center is the Des Moines International Airport. More information on transportation, accommodations, and an agenda will be posted shortly on NACD's website and relayed via eResource.

New to NACD's Blog:

Conservation Client Gateway available to more producers than ever

NRCS' Conservation Client Gateway is a secure online application that gives landowners

to make learning about soil conservation fun. We'll challenge you to a soil quiz and award the winner a set of NACD's 2017 educational materials. And there is more! Come and share your passion for conservation and the healthy use of our natural resources. For more information, you can reach us at stewardship@nacdnet.org.

NACD WATCHING CONGRESS AS DEADLINE TO PASS BUDGET LOOMS

The federal government is currently only funded through the end of next week, April 28. While leaders in Congress have indicated that we shouldn't expect a shutdown of the federal government like in fall 2013, NACD is closely monitoring Congress' actions and speaking with the appropriate congressional committees to ensure they know the importance of conservation programs districts utilize.



While Congress still has work to do to finish out this fiscal year, it is important that Congress hears why programs such as Conservation Technical Assistance are important in the future as well. NACD has created a [new Grassroots Advocacy webpage](#) stocked with information and templates to help you contact Congress and advocate for issues important to conservation districts. Whether you serve on your local district board, are a landowner who has benefited from technical assistance, or are just someone who cares about conserving our natural resources, Congress needs to hear from you.

Have you personally contacted your member of Congress yet? For more talking points, [click here](#).

More updates from Capitol Hill:

and land managers the ability to track their payments, report completed practices, request conservation assistance, and electronically sign documents online anytime, anywhere. Now, the Gateway is available to business entities in addition to individual landowners. [Click here](#) to learn more about the Gateway's capabilities.

Show your Envirothon spirit!

State Envirothons are in full swing, with Utah, New Mexico, and West Virginia all hosting their competitions this weekend.



Texas hosted their Envirothon competition at the beginning of the month at Texas Tech University in Lubbock. For the second consecutive year, the Academy of Science and Technology (pictured above) were crowned champions and will represent the state at the upcoming 2017 NCF-Envirothon competition this July 23-29. Island City Academy from Wisconsin – crowned last week – will join them.

As we count down the days to July 23, join us in celebrating the first annual Envirothon Spirit Day! Next Wednesday, April 26, show your Envirothon pride – post photos of your team on the NCF-Envirothon [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) pages, and share your Envirothon story with [NACD Director of](#)

- Agriculture Secretary nominee Sonny Perdue is expected to be confirmed by the full Senate on Monday, April 24. Stay tuned for a press release or update from NACD on Monday.
- President Trump has lifted his hiring ban on federal employees, but don't expect to see many new hires. By June 30, each federal agency is required to submit a budget that aligns with the cuts proposed by the president. (USDA agencies will need to find ways to reduce the department's budget by 21 percent.) What's more, Congress isn't expected to pass Fiscal Year 2018 appropriations for USDA until September, so NACD expects there will be some uncertainty around budgets and hiring for several months.

DEADLINE APPROACHING: NACD URBAN AG GRANT PROPOSALS

Earlier this month, NACD held an [informational webinar](#) to answer district questions regarding our second round of Urban Agriculture Conservation Initiative grants. This year, NACD will award grants to 20 urban or suburban districts through this initiative to build technical capacity for agriculture conservation.

Development Melisa Augusto.

RCPP pre-proposals due this week!

Is your conservation district or state association interested in participating in a Regional Conservation Partnership Program (RCPP) project? **Pre-proposals will be accepted by NRCS until April 21.**

In 2017, a record 25 district-led conservation projects were funded through RCPP. To learn more about RCPP proposal requirements and best practices, [head to the NRCS website.](#)

Tune-in: Managing water webinar series

The Irrigation Association is bringing back a popular webinar series where participants hear from industry experts on issues affecting irrigated agriculture and the benefits of water management. Registration is free and each webinar begins at 2:00pm Eastern:

May 18 - "The Plant Something Initiative"

June 8 - "Agricultural Irrigation in the Mississippi River Basin"

June 20 - "WaterSense & SWAT – What's the Difference?"

June 29 - "Telling a Positive Story about Irrigated Agriculture"



This [webinar](#) provides guidance for the application process, as well as advice from Muskingum SWCD, one of 42 2016 Urban Agriculture Conservation Grant recipients. **The deadline for 2017 proposals is May 14.** For more information, head to [NACD's Urban and Community webpage](#).

July 13 - "Water Infrastructure in America – Challenges & Opportunities for Irrigated Agriculture"

Archived webinar content will be made available via the [Irrigation Association's YouTube channel](#). Visit the [Irrigation Association's website](#) to get more detailed descriptions of these webinars and to register to attend. "Bringing Water to Life" also has a [weekly podcast](#) available.

For your calendar: Workshops on effective forest landowner outreach

The Sustaining Family Forests Initiative (SFFI) is seeking hosts for 12 Tools for Engaging Landowners Effectively (TELE) workshops, funded in part through the Forest Service. TELE workshops train individuals and organizations on effective landowner outreach using social marketing techniques and landowner attitudinal data. SFFI is seeking proposals from partnerships with projects involving woodland owner outreach and behavior change, especially in well-defined landscapes or watersheds.

If you are interested in hosting one of these workshops, please contact Katherine Hollins at katherine.hollins@yale.edu for an application, which must be submitted by **Friday, May 19, 2017**. For more information about TELE, please go to sffi.yale.edu or www.engaginglandowners.org.

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