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California State Controller

February 10, 2017

District Fiscal Officer
Elsinore - Murrieta - Anza Resource Conservation District
P.O. Box 2078
Temecula, CA 925932078

SUBJECT: 2016 Government Compensation in California Report

Dear District Fiscal Officer:

This letter is to provide information to prepare the 2016 Government Compensation in California (GCC) report. **If you are not responsible for completing the GCC report, please route this letter to the appropriate department (e.g., Payroll or Human Resources).**

Government Code section 53891 requires completed reports to be submitted to the State Controller's Office (SCO) for the previous calendar year no later than April 30th. Please submit your 2016 GCC report by **April 30, 2017**.

The 2016 GCC reporting templates and instructions are available on the SCO website at: http://www.sco.ca.gov/ard_locinstr_gcc_reporting.html. To submit your report using file transfer protocol, use the file folder address: <ftp://sd82gbnv:Cw7r2ahy6S@ftp.sco.ca.gov>.

Information regarding the Special Districts Financial Transactions Report will be sent in a separate mailing.

For questions concerning the 2016 GCC reporting requirements, please contact the Government Compensation Section at GCCsupport@sco.ca.gov or (916) 445-5153. Additional information is available on the SCO's GCC website at www.publicpay.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Karen Garcia".

KAREN GARCIA, Manager
Government Compensation Section

Subject **Re: 2017-18 Renewal Questionnaire**
From Rose Corona <rose.corona@teamrcd.org>
To Ellen Doughty <edoughty@sdrma.org>
Date 2017-02-26 08:32



- EMARCD Audit Report 2015 (2).pdf (334 KB)

Ellen,

On page 28 of the audit there are two findings from the auditors. Item #2 was addressed since we don't have any furniture etc. It was all liquidated just after the completion of our year end and if you need a list we can get you one. There is no office or anything which would involve insurance.

Item number one was addressed and the files rebuilt. If you go to our website and look on any of the agenda board packets you will now see a breakdown of Developer Deposits in our QuickBooks accounting program. So now every developer's funds and every project going forward will have it's own GL with appropriate expenses applied to their specific project and reports done.

As I also mentioned to you, we have finally gotten approval from the Board of Supervisors to do a compilation of our accounting every year to be submitted to the state with an Audit done every third year of just the third year. In the interim we are also required to forward a quarterly report to our County Auditor along with the year end compilation at the end of June. Our Board feels that now we have enough controls and checks and balances on the accounting part of our operation and better technology in order for us to provide the County, the state and the public with a clear picture of accounting for all the activities of our District.

I hope this completes our requirements for submission to SDRMA and should you have any questions, please don't hesitate to ask or call.

Best Regards,

Rose Corona
President TEAM RCD

On 2017-02-24 15:06, Ellen Doughty wrote:

Hi Rose,

Sorry for the delay. Please see the renewal questionnaire attached. If you need any assistance don't hesitate to let me know.

Thank you,

Ellen

Ellen Doughty, ARM

Chief Member Services Officer

Special District Risk Management Authority
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Sacramento, California 95814
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Profile Section

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Mailing Address 1: Post Office Box 2078

Mailing Address 2: _____

Mailing City/ST/Zip: Temecula, CA 92593

Mailing County: Riverside

Physical Address 1: _____

Physical Address 2: _____

Physical City/ST/Zip: _____

Physical County: _____

Phone Number: (951) 387 - 8992

Fax Number: (951) 387 - 8992

Number of Board Members,
Commissioners, Council Members or
Trustees: 5

Method of Selection (Elected or Appointed): Appointed

If appointed, by whom: County Board of Supervisors

Population: 300,000

Service Area (acres): 505,000

Office Hours: varies

Year Formed: 1949

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Contact Roles

Primary Contact: Rose Corona

General Manager: Dave McElroy

Board President: Rose Corona

Finance Officer: _____

Safety Officer: _____

Broker/Agent: _____

Business Name: _____

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2016-17	Changes for 2017-18
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Yes	
Annually	Other - State/County
2014-2015	
NIGRO & NIGRO	
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No	
Yes	
No	
No	
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No	
DSL	

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N/A

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Construction Type*: _____

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Fire Rating: _____

Year Built: _____

Year of Last Major Renovation: _____

Renovation Cost: _____

Renovation Description***: _____

Last Appraisal: _____

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Auto Sprinklers (Y/N): _____

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Earthquake Coverage (Y/N): _____

Building Bolted to Foundation (Y/N): _____

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Contents Value: _____

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Metal	Tile	Plumbing
Non-Combustible	Metal	Seismic retrofitting
Wood Frame	Non-Combustible	Square footage additions
Other	Other	Roof replacements
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		Other (describe)

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Driver Information Section

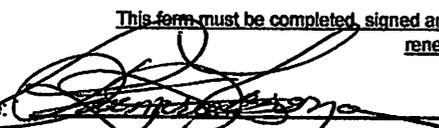
Please review the driver information below to ensure that it is complete, correct and current. If you need to delete a driver, please write "delete" on the line next to the driver and provide an effective date for the deletion.

Name	DL Number	Date Of Birth	Position	Class	Vehicle Driven		
					Agency	Own	
<i>N/A - no vehicles</i>						<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Non-Member Certificate Renewal Reminder

<p>Participating Member: Temecula-Elsinore-Anza-Murrieta Resource Conservation District Post Office Box 2078 Temecula, CA 92593</p> <p>Certificate Holder: Rancho California Water District Insurance Compliance Post Box 12010-RW Hemet, CA 92546</p> <p>Expiration Date: 07/01/2018</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Renew this Certificate? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes If renewing, please fill in dates below. <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Coverage period requested: From <u>7/1/2017</u> To <u>7/1/2018</u></p>															
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<p>Description: Rancho California Water District, its Board of Directors, each member of its Board of Directors, its officers, employees and agents are named as additional covered parties with respect to the contract for an agricultural irrigation system audit.</p>																
<p><u>This form must be completed, signed and returned along with all supporting documentation to SDRMA for renewal of the foregoing certificate.</u></p>																
<p>Signature: <u></u> Title: <u>President</u></p>																

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Please review all information to ensure that it is complete, accurate and current. Be advised that any misrepresentation contained in this renewal questionnaire could potentially void coverages for your Agency and its Employees, Officers and Board Members. For questions and/or assistance, please call Member Services at 800.537.7790.

ATTEST

I have reviewed the attached Renewal Questionnaire and warrant that to the best of my knowledge, the information contained herewithin is complete and correct and as the signer I am authorized on behalf of our Agency and its Employees, Officers and Board Members to attest to its accuracy.

Signature:  Title: PRESIDENT Date: 2-24-17

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Physical County:	
Phone Number:	(951) 387 - 8992
Fax Number:	(951) 387 - 8992
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Method of Selection (Elected or Appointed):	Appointed
If appointed, by whom:	County Board of Supervisors
Population:	300,000
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General Manager: Dave McElroy

Board President: Rose Corona

Finance Officer: _____

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Broker/Agent: _____

Business Name: _____

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Please review all information to ensure that it is complete, accurate and current. Be advised that any misrepresentation contained in this renewal questionnaire could potentially void coverages for your Agency and its Employees, Officers and Board Members. For questions and/or assistance, please call Member Services at 800.537.7790.

ATTEST

I have reviewed the attached Renewal Questionnaire and warrant that to the best of my knowledge, the information contained herewithin is complete and correct and as the signer I am authorized on behalf of our Agency and its Employees, Officers and Board Members to attest to its accuracy.

Signature: **Ellen Doughty**

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HAVE YOU RSVPED FOR NACD'S FLY-IN?



We are a month away from NACD's 2017 Legislative Fly-In on March 21. If you haven't made plans to attend, you have until March 7, 2017 [to RSVP!](#)

While NACD works hard to be your advocate in Washington, D.C., nothing can replace in-person meetings between you – the conservation district officials who do the critical work of implementing and promoting conservation on the ground – and your members of Congress.

If you have any questions about where you should stay, how to get around the city, or the best way to schedule meetings with your members of Congress, please [visit our Fly-In webpage](#) or reach out to Director of Government Affairs Coleman Garrison at coleman-garrison@nacdn.net.org.

A QUICK NOTE ON OUR ANNUAL MEETING

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“Healthy Soils Are Full of Life!” materials now available on NACD's website

[Click here](#) to be redirected to NACD's Marketplace where the 2017 stewardship and education materials are available for FREE download.

Soon districts will be able to place orders for print-on-demand 2017 materials. Stay tuned for updates regarding on-demand printing options!

NACD has more than 1,500 “likes” on Facebook!

Help us reach 2,000 by heading to [our page](#) and “liking” it. We post news clips, conservation district announcements, photos, and resources to our Facebook page. When you “like” it, you'll receive periodic updates on what NACD is doing on your personal “Facebook newsfeed.”

NACD sent attendees a highlight reel of our 71st Annual Meeting in Denver last week. If you didn't receive it, here are two of the most important take-aways:

Visit [NACD's Newsroom](#).... To find 2017 meeting resources, including recaps of the week's activities, four press releases, links to photos, presentations, and [archived video](#) of our general sessions, Expo Stage presentations, and Appreciation Banquet.

Complete the [Annual Meeting survey](#)... To help us improve next year's meeting experience! Please take a few minutes to complete our brief 10-question survey on your annual meeting experience.

HOT OFF THE PRESSES!

NACD is pleased to support bipartisan legislation reintroduced last week in both the Senate and House to exempt America's conservationists from SAM and DUNS requirements. These time-consuming requirements unnecessarily complicate conservation delivery and can discourage landowners from participating in NRCS cost-share programs.

To read the full press release, head to [our Newsroom](#).

NACD TRAVELS TO NASHVILLE FOR NWTF CONFERENCE

Last week, NACD's Government Affairs Associate Chris Heck attended the [41st Annual National Wild Turkey Federation Convention](#), participating in the Conservation Conference. Thursday morning entailed a plenary session with U.S. Forest Service, Natural Resources Conservation Service, State Wildlife Agencies, American Forest Foundation, Hunting Heritage, and the Wildlife Management Institute. The rest of the conference consisted of presentations and discussion on state action plans, leveraging partnerships, threatened and endangered species, and prescribed fire.

WHERE ARE THEY NOW? ENVIROTHON ALUM SERVES

Mark your calendars: Invasive Species Week

Next week, February 27 – March 3, is [invasive species awareness week](#). As part of awareness week, there will be several webinars – sign up by clicking on the links below.

Monday – [Impacts on Prevention](#)

Tuesday – [Early Detection and Response](#)

Wednesday – [Innovative Methods](#)

Thursday – [Creating Behavior Change](#)

Friday – [Public-Private Partnerships](#)

Brownfield grants deadline approaches

Brownfield grants from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) can support redevelopment of contaminated sites. This EPA webinar, February 28 from 1:00-2:30pm EST, will highlight a number of redevelopment resources available from the National Park Service (NPS), the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), and the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) to leverage your brownfield dollars. The webinar will also feature a presentation from a community that has successfully used grants, loans and other support from these agencies for its revitalization efforts. You can register by [clicking here](#).

Field-to-Market farmer spotlight nomination period closes February 28

Are you working with a farmer who demonstrates outstanding stewardship and is helping to advance sustainable agriculture?

AS DISTRICT CONSERVATIONIST



Melissa Erdman, the NRCS district conservationist for Juniata County in Pennsylvania, has been with the agency for 12 years now – owing her start in voluntary conservation to [Envirothon](#).

“Envirothon is near and dear to my heart. Both my sister and I joined as 5th graders and stayed in the club until we graduated from high school. It went from being ‘just for fun,’ to ‘fun and interesting,’ to ‘fun, interesting, and I want to go to college for this stuff.’”

“As a high school senior, my Envirothon advisor’s wife, Tamara Wagner, worked for USDA-NRCS and she came in after school and gave a presentation on soils. Tamara (later) got me an application to be a student trainee with NRCS, and I started at our local field office in Pottsville just after graduating high school. I interned with NRCS in the summer while I attended Penn State, eventually deciding to major in agricultural science.”

“I never would have known about NRCS without the people I met through Envirothon. To ‘pay it forward,’ every year I try to do a soils study session with the local high school Envirothon clubs.”

If you or someone you know has participated in or volunteered for Envirothon, NACD wants to hear your stories! Please contact Director of Development [Melisa Augusto](#) to learn how you can have your story featured in an upcoming edition of eResource.

Nominate them to be recognized as a champion of conservation through the 2017 [Farmer Spotlight series](#) nomination process, which closes on February 28, 2017. To submit a nomination, complete the 2017 Farmer Spotlight nomination form at www.fieldtomarket.org and send to sustag@fieldtomarket.org; winners will be announced at the June General Assembly meeting.

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Opportunity to Engage in State Mandates Working Group

Does somebody at your district handle state mandate reimbursement claims? If so, they may be interested in joining the Local Government Mandated Services Working Group. The group regularly meets to review and discuss items related to securing payment for state mandated programs and services for special districts, counties, and cities.

At the first meeting of 2017 participants received updates on the National Association of Counties (NACo) Letter on Unfunded Federal Mandates to U.S. House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform; Assembly Bill 216, which would require prepaid postage on vote by mail ballots; and a recent Sexually Violent Predator mandate ruling on the state's renewed obligation to pay between \$20 million to \$25 million to counties annually. The working group typically meets the day before the Commission on State Mandates hearings to discuss what's on the Commission's agenda, current legislation that may contain mandates, current and past litigation related to mandates and their implications, as well as anticipated future test claims. [Read more...](#)

New Session, New Legislative Measures

Friday, February 17, marked the deadline for new measures to be introduced in both houses of the California Legislature. CSDA staff closely monitors all bills to distinguish which will affect special districts, and to monitor any impacts of the proposals. Keep yourself and your district informed by making use of CSDA's [Bill Tracking website feature](#).

The up-to-date information provided on the bill tracking page can be sorted by subject area, issue area, or by district type. In addition, you can browse all bills CSDA has taken a position on (e.g. "support" or "oppose"). Each tracked bill includes a short summary, current status of the bill, as well as which CSDA legislative representative is assigned to the bill. Make use of this tool to stay informed on bills

February 21, 2017

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<p>CALTRUST POOLED INVESTMENT FUNDS FOR LOCAL AGENCIES</p>	<p>CSDA Career Center</p>
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For the CSDA District Purchasing Card, go west.

BANK OF WEST

EDUCATION CALENDAR

February 21
[HR Boot Camp for Special Districts](#)
 Rancho Cucamonga

February 22
[Who Does What? Best](#)

important to your district. The [CSDA website](#) also provides special districts with other helpful tools, including information on setting up a meeting with your legislator, how to get involved in advocacy issues, and many other beneficial guides.

Register for CSDA's March 30 Legislative Roundup webinar to learn more about the proposals directly impacting special districts. This webinar is free for CSDA members. [Click here](#) to register.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

March Webinars

[Register here](#) for one or all of our webinars happening in March!

- **FREE! Financing Mission Critical Infrastructure**
- **Best Practices in Agenda Prep & Taking Minutes**
- **Required Ethics AB1234 Compliance Training** *Free to SDRMA members*
- **Legislative Round-Up** *Free to SDRMA and CSDA members*

SDLA Governance Foundations

Join us for the first module of Governance Foundations on March 28, 2017 at the Hilton Arden West in Sacramento! This workshop will take place during SDRMA's Safety/Claims Education Day.

The Governance Foundations workshop will provide the basic information needed by board members, general managers, and staff to build an effective and functional governance team. This course teaches the foundational knowledge and skills that identify and define the essential building blocks of a successful board. Directors will learn to develop a unity of purpose; understand the board's role in the district; build a strong, positive, functional board culture; and organize the formal structure of the board.

Free to SDRMA members

CSDA member \$125

Non-member \$225

[Click here](#) to register now!



Volunteers Needed!!

Interested in becoming a coach for general managers? Volunteer now to help us during our next speed coaching session on Monday, March 27, 2017. The speed coaching will take place during the **So You Want to Be a General Manager? Workshop** in the CSDA Training Center at 1112 I Street, Suite 200 in Sacramento. Please let CSDA know if you are able to participate by Wednesday, March 22. Help us bring this valuable program to our attendees!

If you are interested, please email Madison Burton at madisonb@csda.net or call the CSDA office at (916) 442-7887.

MEMBER SERVICES

U.S. Communities & Amazon Business Make Purchasing Easier for Local Governments

CSDA's Endorsed Affiliate, [U.S. Communities](#), just announced a new contract for the purchase of goods and services on the [Amazon Business](#) online marketplace.

[Practices in Board/Staff Webinar](#)

February 23
[Board Member Best Practices](#)
Anderson

February 26
[2017 SDLA Conference](#)
La Jolla

March 1
[Financing Mission Critical Infrastructure Webinar](#)

March 7
[Best Practices in Agenda Prep & Taking Minutes Webinar](#)

March 8
[Financial Management for Special Districts](#)
Rancho Cucamonga

EMPLOYMENT AND RFPS

Listed below are the most recent employment positions posted to www.csda.net:

[Controller | Goleta Water District](#)

[SENIOR ENGINEER | Central Contra Costa Sanitary District](#)

[Accounting Technician I | West County Wastewater District](#)

[Financial Manager | Olivehurst Public Utility District](#)

[Deputy Executive Officer | Local Agency Formation Commission for the County of Los Angeles \(LA LAFCO\)](#)

[Planning Technician | Santa Clara Valley Open Space Authority](#)

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

This means that CSDA member agencies registered with the U.S. Communities purchasing cooperative can now create a free Amazon Business account that includes access to tax-exempt purchasing, free two-day shipping on eligible items, purchase approvals, and purchase-order tracking.

Learn more about this opportunity by registering for one of [U.S. Communities Webinars](#) on February 22 or 23. To take advantage of this new contract, enroll with [Amazon Business](#) today.

Call for Nominations: 2018-20 CSDA Board of Directors

Last week nomination information and forms were mailed to every CSDA voting member agency. The leadership of CSDA is elected from its six geographical networks. Each of the six networks has three seats on the board with staggered three-year terms. Candidates must be affiliated with an independent special district that is a CSDA Regular Member in good standing located within the [geographic network](#) they seek to represent.

The CSDA Board of Directors is the governing body responsible for all policy decisions 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...](#)

DISTRICT PRESS

2017 Cal-ICMA Coaching Program Webinars & Benefits



Coaching offers value for people at any stage in their careers. As in sports, coaching helps even the best players do better. Why? Because everyone can benefit from sharing best practices and gaining perspectives from others who can help them see their situation and opportunities from a fresh perspective. That's why ICMA organizes the Coaching program webinars to serve as whole team learning experiences. It's also why

the Speed Coaching and 1-1 Coaching models provide a structure for advice at multiple stages in a career.

This [flyer outlines all of the webinars and other benefits](#) of the 2017 ICMA Coaching Program.

Just Added - Creating SB 1029 - Compliant Debt Policies

March 16, 2017 10:00 - 11:15 a.m.

[Register](#) for "Creating SB 1029 - Compliant Debt Policies" a CDIAC webinar offered in conjunction with CSDA and School Services of California. The webinar is offered to support the efforts of local issuers to comply with SB 1029 and will cover: the legislative intent of SB 1029; what constitutes "certification" by a legislative body; the five items now required to be included in a local debt by Section 8855(i) and the framework provided by GFOA's Debt Management Policy Best Practices; filing CDIAC's Report of Proposed Debt Issuance - which box to check.

SOCIAL MEDIA

Open RFPs & RFQs

RFP - Engineering Services

RFP - Auditing Services

RFP - Healthcare Services

MSR/Sphere of Influence

Updates

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

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

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CEO JEREMY PETERS TESTIFIES BEFORE HOUSE LAWMAKERS



This morning, NACD CEO Jeremy Peters testified on behalf of the organization before the House Agriculture Subcommittee on

Conservation and Forestry. In his opening statement, Peters explained to the panel how conservation districts provide a crucial public service by offering on-the-ground conservation planning and tailored technical assistance to landowners.

You can read Peters' full testimony, as prepared for Lee McDaniel, NACD's immediate past president, [here in NACD's Newsroom](#). To read today's press release, [click here](#), and to read a blog post on NACD's nine farm bill principles, [click here](#).

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Tim Palmer represents NACD at Oklahoma state association meeting



First Vice President Tim Palmer traveled to Oklahoma this week to give an NACD update to attendees of the Oklahoma Association of Conservation Districts' annual meeting.

Palmer (in the back row, all the way to the left) is pictured here with past presidents of Oklahoma's association. Thank you to Rick Jeans (seated in the right-most chair in the front row) for sending this photo in.

DID YOU KNOW?



Interesting Facts & Anecdotes
 from your District Operations and Member Services Committee

As part of a six-month series on district operations, the Did You Know? monthly feature in eResource will highlight chapters of the NACD District Outlook Task Force report: “Blueprint for Locally-Led Conservation – A Strategy for District Success and Sustainability” ([available here](#) on our website). **This month’s chapter tackles communications.**

For most conservation districts, many of their residents, landowners, and local and state government officials have little or no knowledge of what a district is, much less what a district can or is currently doing to conserve their community’s valuable natural resources.

Conservation districts can’t afford to be a ‘best kept secret’ any longer. [Click here to read more on NACD’s blog.](#)

INTERESTED IN CONDUCTING YOUR OWN RESEARCH?



USDA’s Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education program (SARE) just released a 32-page bulletin with detailed instructions for producers on how to conduct farm-level research.

“How to Conduct Research on Your Farm or Ranch” is available for free download ([click here to be redirected to SARE’s website](#)) and includes a comprehensive list of in-depth resources and real-life examples of on-farm research, like the story of a Missouri crop and livestock farmer who tested the effect of additional cover cropping on forage.

TEXAS ASSOCIATION HOSTS ‘SOIL HEALTH SHORT COURSE’



Last week, more than 250 producers attended the Texas Soil Health Short Course – a two-day event hosted in partnership by the Association of Texas Soil and Water Conservation Districts, the

Have you heard about Conservation Planning Boot Camp?

NRCS Conservation Planning Boot Camp is a three-week, intensive training course that gives district employees classroom and field training in the skills necessary for developing and implementing comprehensive conservation plans.

Each year for the next five years, 75 conservation district employees will have the opportunity to participate in this Lincoln, Nebraska-based program. To find out if you are eligible to participate, [click here to be redirected to NACD’s website.](#)

Webinars on RCPP program now available

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

To learn more about RCPP proposal requirements and best practices, consider tuning into one of the following upcoming webinars, to be held from 2:00 – 3:30 PM Eastern on:

- March 22, 2017
- April 5, 2017

For more information on these webinars, [head to the NRCS website.](#)

Visit NACD at Commodity Classic



Texas NRCS, and the Texas State Soil and

Water Conservation Board.

The short course featured presentations and demonstrations by scientists and [NACD Soil Health Champions](#), and was capped off with a field tour. Head over to [NACD's blog](#) for a full account!

NACD WEBINAR ON 'WATER POSITIVE LANDSCAPES'

NACD has joined The Scotts Miracle-Gro Company and a dozen other organizations to help homeowners use water more efficiently. This national initiative, "Water Positive Landscapes," will be featured on the next NACD Urban and Community Conservation webinar on March 16 from noon-1:00pm Eastern.

The Water Positive Landscapes initiative is an integrated program that shows consumers how they can help protect their community's water resources. One of the presenters – Mike Shelton, manager for corporate social responsibility at Scotts – will give an overview of the initiative and explain how it can support district efforts.

These popular, monthly webinars are sponsored by The Scotts Miracle-Gro Company in partnership with the NACD Urban and Community Resource Policy Group. There is no cost to participate, but please register to attend by emailing Debra Bogar at deb-bogar@nacdnet.org with your name, title, district or business name, and state.

TRUMP SIGNS EXEC ORDER TO REVAMP WOTUS

One of the promises President Donald Trump made during his campaign was to overhaul the EPA's Waters of the U.S. (WOTUS) rule. Today, Trump signed an executive order directing the EPA and the Army Corps of Engineers to begin revamping the rule, which is currently on hold due to pending lawsuits.

The executive order instructs both agencies to ensure the rule promotes economic growth and minimizes regulatory uncertainty, and according to the president, begins "paving the way for (its) elimination." To read

NACD President Brent Van Dyke and CEO Jeremy Peters are headed to San Antonio for the annual [Commodity Classic](#). Joining them will be two [Soil Health Champions](#): Donovan Taves from Louisiana and Kenneth McAlister from Texas.

Stop by booth 450 in the "Conservation and Renewable Fuels" section and pay NACD a visit!

RSVP soon for NACD's Spring Fly-In

NACD's Fly-In agenda is set for March 21. Have you RSVPed yet? Email Director of Government Affairs [Coleman Garrison](#) by next Tuesday, March 7, if you intend to join us on Capitol Hill!

We also have some updates to share with you. Breakfast will be served in the Senate Visitors Center in rooms 210/212. The evening reception will take place in room 1302 of the Longworth House Office Building where the House Agriculture Committee meets.

Head to [our website](#) to print off the agenda and research hotels!

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Districts a key windbreak partner across Great Plains

Conservation leaders from eight states gathered in Manhattan, Kansas, earlier this month for the Great Plains Windbreak Initiative, a three-day meeting designed to advance the “research, understanding, and use of windbreaks in the Great Plains.”

Windbreaks – one of five recognized agroforestry practices – are created by planting trees, shrubs, or grass in rows to protect crops, livestock, wildlife, or people from hazardous winds.

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Forestry News

How some trees can defend themselves against fire [\[link\]](#)

U.S. ambassador ‘optimistic’ about softwood talks [\[link\]](#)

Report: Solutions to Improving Wildlife Habitat in the Northeast [\[link\]](#)

Colorado’s 834 million dead trees threaten to worsen fires [\[link\]](#)

Calendar

March 21

[NACD Spring Fly-In](#)

Washington, D.C.

March 23

[Sustainable Urban Forests Coalition \(SUFC\) Annual Meeting and Reception](#)

When properly designed, located, and managed, windbreaks can produce environmental and economic benefits. [Read more>>>](#)



Forestry at NACD's 2017 Annual Meeting

There was plenty of forestry to go around at the 2017 NACD Annual Meeting in Denver. Partners representing the U.S. Forest Service, National Association of State Foresters, National Wild Turkey Federation, Western Forestry Leadership Coalition, Wildland Fire Leadership Council, and Society of American Foresters participated in this year's annual meeting.

"It was good to see so many of our forestry partners in Denver," said NACD Forestry Resource Policy Group (RPG) Chairman Steve Hedstrom. "So much of what we do depends on the cooperation of our partners." [Read more>>>](#)



NACD attends NWTf Annual Convention

NACD's Government Affairs Associate Chris Heck attended the 41st Annual National Wild Turkey Federation (NWTf) Convention. Heck took part in a plenary session with the U.S. Forest Service, Natural Resources Conservation Service, state wildlife agencies, American Forest Foundation, Hunting Heritage, and Wildlife Management Institute. The conference agenda covered a wide array of topics, including State Forest Action Plans, leveraging partnerships, threatened and endangered species, and prescribed fire.

Attendees also discussed the NWTf's 10-year initiative "Save the Habitat. Save the Hunt." One of the goals of the initiative is to conserve or enhance four million acres of critical upland habitat. In order to achieve this goal, NWTf established six regions, collectively called America's Big Six of Wildlife Conservation. They are the America's Western Wildlands, America's Great Open Spaces, America's Crossroads, America's Colonial Forests, America's Southern Piney Woods, and America's Mid-South. Each region will work to improve forest management, overall forest health, and water quality among other objectives.

Forestry Briefs

Ohio

Conservation district offers scholarship for forestry camp

The Geauga Soil and Water Conservation District is helping area high school students attend the 2017 Ohio Forestry and Wildlife Conservation Camp, sponsored by the Ohio Forestry Association. Students learn about a number of topics at the week-long camp, including wildlife and forestry management. Scholarship applicants must submit an application form and short essay to the district office to be considered. [Click here](#) to read more.

Oregon

Districts among partners updating CWPP

Columbia County received a \$9,000 grant from the Oregon Department of Forestry to update a Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP). Agencies

Washington, D.C.

March 28 - 30

[International Mass Timber Conference](#)

Portland, Oregon

April 10-12

[International Biomass Conference](#)

Minneapolis, Minnesota

June 20-22

[NACD Forestry RPG Summer Meeting](#)

Deadwood, South Dakota

June 27-29

[2017 North American Agroforestry Conference](#)

Blacksburg, West Virginia

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involved in the process include the U.S. Forest Service, Oregon Department of Natural Resources, the Columbia County Conservation District, the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation, the Bureau of Indian Affairs, and the Oregon Department of Forestry.

Leaders hope to have a draft ready by March 31 for the community to review. Anne Higgins of Columbia County Emergency Management told the Union-Bulletin, "We are going to have wildfires. We want to make sure we do everything we can to protect our community, but this plan is only going to work if we all work together on it." [Click here](#) for more.

Alabama

Local district teaches students about impact of urban forestry

The Jefferson County Conservation District hosted an urban forestry and conservation fair for Birmingham fifth- and seventh-grade students. The district also provided students with a tree to plant to help celebrate Alabama Arbor Week. Read more on this story [here](#).

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Commissioner Suggests Sunset Date for Special Districts

During the Little Hoover Commission's February 23 business meeting, Commissioner Scott Barnett suggested special districts should have a sunset date. The Commissioner suggested districts should be required to hold an election every 10 years to reauthorize their existence.

The Little Hoover Commission held its business meeting in part to review a draft report on special districts, written by Commission staff following three public hearings in 2016. Commissioner Barnett participated via conference call along with Commissioners Janna Sidley and Don Perata. Commissioners attending in person included Commission Chair Pedro Nava and Vice-Chair Jack Flanigan, along with Commissioners Helen Iris Torres and Sean Varner. [Read more...](#)

Healthcare Districts Oversight Hearing

The Assembly Committee on Local Government has announced it will be holding an oversight hearing on healthcare districts entitled "The Evolution of Healthcare Districts," on March 8 at 1:30 pm in room 447 of the State Capitol. The anticipated focus of the agenda will be to provide oversight, education, and history on the role and evolution of healthcare districts, and to better understand the relationship between healthcare districts and Local Agency Formation Commissions (LAFCOs).

While the agenda is still being developed, and will not be finalized until it is posted to the [Committee's website](#) one day before the hearing, it will likely include: an overview by the Legislative Analyst's Office, a panel of local healthcare district

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officials, and a panel of local LAFCO officials, followed by public comment. As soon as more information regarding the hearing are available CSDA will post details to the [CSDA Blog](#).

Receive Support for Sustainable Climate and Water Projects

Special districts are encouraged to apply for a CivicSpark fellow who can support climate and water related projects. CivicSpark is an initiative between the Governor's Office of Planning and Research (OPR) and the Local Government Commission to build the capacity for local governments to address climate change and water management needs. During the program's two years of existence, CivicSpark fellows have provided over 130,000 hours of support in implementing 80 sustainable projects to support climate and water priorities. [Read more...](#)

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Bay Area - Prop 218, Prop 26, and Rate Setting



Oakland - March 15, 2017

Presenters: Kelly Salt, Best Best & Krieger & Chris Fisher, Willdan Fiancial Services

On November 2, 1996, the California voters approved Proposition 218, which amended the California Constitution by adding new substantive and procedural requirements for the adoption of taxes, assessments, and property-related fees and charges. On November 2, 2010, the voters approved Proposition 26, another ballot initiative that further restricts the ability of the state and local governments to raise revenues to fund government services, facilities, and regulatory programs, by reclassifying certain fees and charges as taxes. This workshop will provide an update on recent court cases and legislation interpreting and clarifying property-related fees and charges under Proposition 218 and an overview of the provisions of Proposition 26 and the impacts that they may have on local governments and their ability to raise revenues.

[Register here.](#)

Webinar: Best Practices in Agenda Preparation and Taking/Recording Minutes

Webinar - March 7, 2017

Presenter: Atkinson, Andelson, Loya, Ruud & Romo

Agendas and minutes drive the various meetings special district staff and elected officials participate in regularly. Understanding the essential and required components in agendas and how you can assist with agenda items is a key function for staff. Accurately recording minutes at meetings is also a critical function as they serve to reflect the general discussion and action taken at a meeting as well as being historical documents for the district. In this webinar, attendees will learn some best practices and legal requirements as they relate to agendas, minutes, and Brown Act requirements.

One of the webinar options for the Board Secretary/Clerk Certificate program.

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March 8
[Financial Management for Special Districts](#)
Rancho Cucamonga

March 15
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[Supervisory Skills for the Public Sector](#)
Marina

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[Hammering Out a Framework: Construction & Business Matters](#)
Fountain Valley

April 23
[2017 Special District Leadership Academy Conference](#)
San Luis Obispo

EMPLOYMENT AND RFPS

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[Department Assistant I | Olivenhain Municipal Water District](#)

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Nearly \$26 Thousand in Rebates to be Distributed



Participants of CSDA's [District Purchasing Card](#) program will receive rebates totaling nearly \$26,000, with some agencies receiving checks of more than \$1,000. Developed by Bank of the West especially for CSDA members, the District Purchasing Card program aggregates the spend of all participating agencies to

determine the annual rebate rate. The potential for rebates has grown as more and more agencies use the card for their essential purchases. Not yet a program participant? [Application forms and step-by-step instructions](#) for enrollment are available on the CSDA website.

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Take the Cal-ICMA Talent Development Survey by April 1, 2017

The Cal-ICMA Talent Development Team is seeking feedback on the recruitment, talent development and retention challenges that are facing cities, counties, and special districts in the Golden State. The survey results, along with feedback from statewide focus group meetings, will be part of a Talent Development Report to be released this summer. [Complete the survey here.](#)

For more information about the Cal-ICMA Talent Development Initiative, please contact:

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Looking to Further Your Special District Career?

The [Coaches Corner](#) is housed in the [Career Center](#) of the CSDA website and offers a variety of senior management volunteer coaches who are willing to offer one on one, periodic, or ongoing advice. You can view a brief biography of the coach and request a match using our convenient online form. If you are interested in serving as a coach, or for more information, contact Megan Hemming, CSDA professional development director, at meganh@csda.net.



[District Manager of Muir Beach](#)
[Muir Beach Community](#)
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To view all job opportunities, please visit the [Career Center](#).

Open RFPs & RFQs:

RFP - Executive Recruiting Services

RFP - 2017 Healthcare Services MSR

RFQ - On-call Geotechnical Engineering Consulting Services

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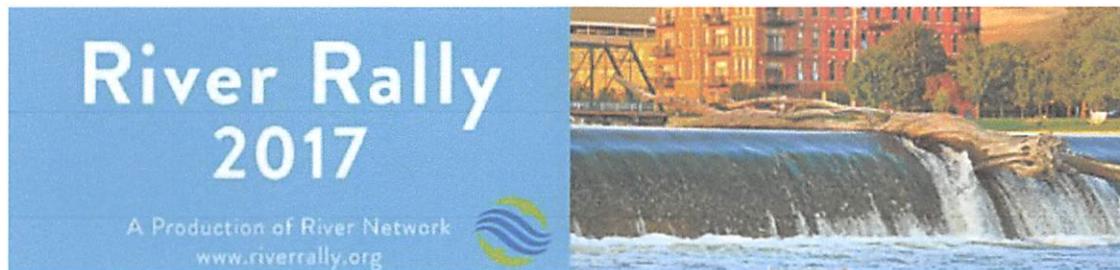


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Dear Rose

Rivers are at the heart of nearly every great city and small town in the world. That's why 'Restoring Urban Rivers and Achieving Resiliency' will be a major theme at River Rally 2017.

Rivers have influenced the settlement and growth of urban areas, fueled economic expansion, and helped transport goods and services. Yet we have become disconnected from our urban rivers, often literally turning our backs on them, channeling them away from our daily lives, or making them industrial dumps.

The plenary panel "Rethinking Our Relationship to Urban Rivers" will tell the story of how a partnership between neighborhoods, the business community, government agencies, and local nonprofits is bringing an urban river back to life in this year's host city of Grand Rapids, Michigan. This plenary panel will tell the story of the

Grand River restoration of from a variety of perspectives with an emphasis on igniting community-wide excitement and other lessons transferable to cities across the U.S.

Moderator: Mark Van Putten, Wege Foundation
Speakers: Chris Muller, Grand Rapids Whitewater; John Green, Grounders Brewing; Mayor Rosalynn Bliss, City of Grand Rapids; Joe Jones, Grand Rapids Urban League; and Wendy Ogilvie, Grand Valley Metropolitan Council

In addition to the plenary, you can chose from 9 practical workshops under this conference theme. Visit the [River Rally](#) page on our website or [download our program brochure](#) to learn more!

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RE: Property/Liability Longevity Distribution

Dear Ms. Corona,

On February 2, 2017, the SDRMA Board of Directors approved a longevity distribution for the eighth year in a row. The Longevity Distribution Policy was adopted by the Board to recognize and reward members for their loyalty and commitment to SDRMA programs. The policy is consistent with the goals and objectives of the Board's strategic business plan and helps ensure pool stability by rewarding members for remaining in our Property/Liability and Workers' Compensation programs.

This year, the Board approved a longevity distribution in the amount of \$247,965 for Property/Liability members and \$463,920 for Workers' Compensation members. For the Property/Liability program, over 91% of members will receive the distribution credit and for the Workers' Compensation program, over 90% of members will receive the distribution credit.

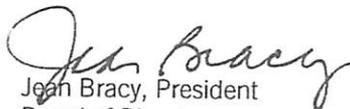
Congratulations! Since you have participated in our Property/Liability Program for 15 years as of June 30, 2016, your agency will receive a longevity distribution credit on your 2017-18 renewal invoice in the amount of \$22. We encourage you to share this valuable news with your governing body!

There is no action required by your agency. Every member that has completed the 3 full program year initial commitment period for the Property/Liability program is eligible to receive a longevity distribution credit when they renew coverage. The longevity distribution may be declared by the Board of Directors each year only after all Board policy reserve requirements have been met. The amount available for the longevity distribution is the amount of investment earnings on reserves above the Board approved confidence level for each program as of June 30. The distribution is weighted based on the member's length of time in that program and the amount of the member's annual contributions compared to the total contributions of all pool members.

REMINDER – SDRMA's Safety/Claims Education Day/Annual Membership Meeting is Tuesday, March 28 at the Hilton Sacramento Arden West Hotel and is FREE to SDRMA members including breakfast, lunch and refreshments. For more information, please visit our website at www.sdrma.org and click on "Register for a Training Workshop" on the right side of the page.

Thank you for your participation and helping make SDRMA a premier risk management provider! If you have any questions, please contact the SDRMA Finance Department at 800.537.7790 or 916.231.4141.

Sincerely,
Special District Risk Management Authority

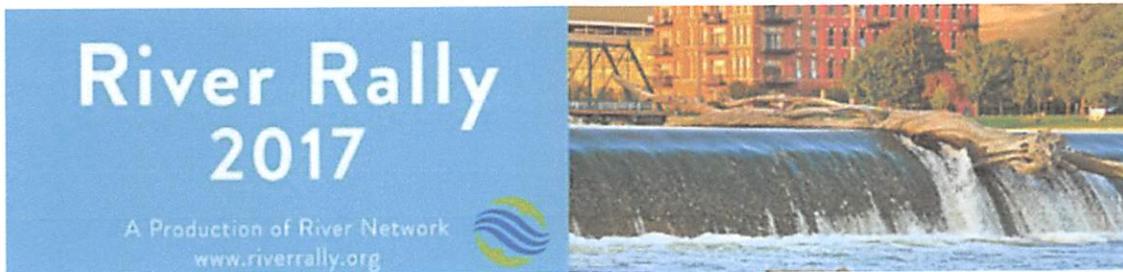

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Dear Rose

The River Rally 2017 program is designed to help you delve into the changing social and political context of water. That's why 'Tackling the Drinking Water Crisis and Water Affordability' will be a major theme at this year's event.

We are thrilled to have speakers from Flint, Michigan coming to speak on a plenary panel on "Affordability, Equity, and Drinking Water," and Dr. Dorceta Taylor as a plenary speaker on power and privilege in the American conservation movement. In addition, you can choose from three practical workshops under this conference theme, a teen day, and 10 interactive field trips. Visit the [River Rally](#) page on our website or [download our program brochure](#) to learn more!

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Three Important Workshops You Need for 2017

Check out these workshops happening in your area.

Financial Management for Special Districts

Wednesday, March 8, Rancho Cucamonga

David Becker from James Marta & Co will be discussing how to better understand the full scope of financial information affecting special districts today. From budgeting and internal controls to long term planning and capital improvement plans. Attendees will get the information they need to begin to assess the overall financial health of their district and steps needed to make positive changes.

New! Hammering Out a Legal Framework for Construction and Business Matters

Thursday, March 23, Fountain Valley

We are pleased to announce a full day boot camp covering key legal aspects of business and construction that your district's management personnel should know. We designed this one day training to give you substantive information and checklists you can use to help you comply do your job more efficiently and in compliance with legal requirements. We will discuss common mistakes in business matters and construction projects and how to avoid them with representatives from Liebert Cassidy Whitmore and Contractor Compliance and Monitoring Inc.

Supervisory Skills for the Public Sector

Tuesday, April 11, Vista

This course for supervisors will discuss and explore the supervisory skills necessary to work with people in the public sector environment. The course will cover what is expected of a supervisor, how to monitor and evaluation employees, and how to coach, mentor, and motivate employees. Through interactive exercises

and engaging dialogue you will learn how to create effective, productive and successful teams. The speakers for this workshop will be representatives from CPS HR Consulting.

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

Is your district budget under \$10 million? You may be eligible for scholarship funds through the [Special District Leadership Foundation](#).

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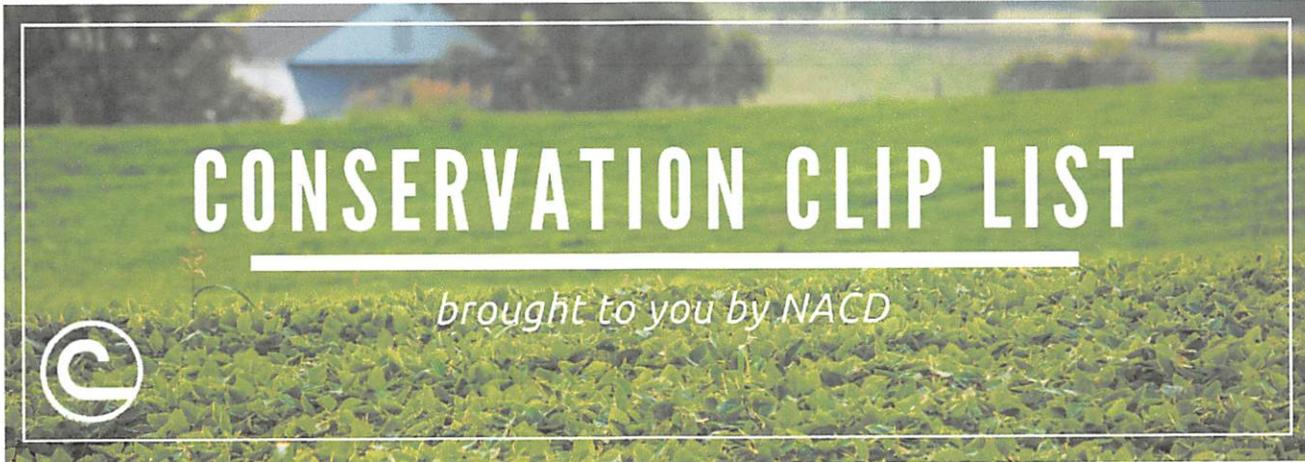
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NACD Blog: [New Mexico Celebrates 15 Years of Collaborative Conservation](#)

The New Mexico Association of Conservation Districts (NMACD) is celebrating 15 years of Restore New Mexico, a conservation effort that has made a measurable difference in rangeland and forest health in the state. NMACD coordinates Restore New Mexico funding to help landowners reduce brush invasion and voluntarily implement conservation practices.

[Trump to roll back Obama's climate, water rules through executive action](#) via The Washington Post

President Trump is preparing executive orders aimed at curtailing Obama-era policies on climate and water pollution. One executive order will instruct the Environmental Protection Agency to begin rewriting the 2015 regulation that limits greenhouse-gas emissions from existing electric utilities. It also instructs the Interior Department's Bureau of Land Management (BLM) to lift a moratorium on federal coal leasing. A second order will instruct the EPA and Army Corps of Engineers to revamp the WOTUS rule.

[Pruitt takes charge at EPA](#) via Agri-Pulse

The Senate confirmed Scott Pruitt as administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, clearing the way for him to begin working to remove or soften Obama-era regulations on the agriculture and energy sectors.

[The verdict after all that rain? Most of California is out of the drought](#) via Los Angeles Times

After being battered by weeks of record-setting rain, the vast majority of the state is out of drought. According to the latest U.S. Drought Monitor report, less than 20% of the state faces any drought conditions and no place in California faces "extreme" or "exceptional" drought. A year ago, more than 90% of the state was still in some form of drought.

[Hunters fight so-called 'feral hog apocalypse' in Texas](#) via Fox News

Texas has a feral hog problem that costs the state's agriculture industry about \$50 million a year in damage. The state's agriculture commissioner said that he has a solution: a human blood-thinner that proves especially deadly in swine.

The Farm Bill 'Math' is complicated and ever-changing via Agri-Pulse

Development of a new farm bill usually starts with discussions of needs and wants, and evolves into costs. If recent history is any guide, farmers, ranchers, sportsmen, conservationists, and anyone else who would like to see more money spent on food and agricultural policy could be in a tough spot when lawmakers sit down to write the next farm bill.

Could U.S. Endangered Species Rules Go Extinct? via National Geographic

Foes of the Endangered Species Act now see an opportunity to weaken it under President Donald Trump, who has said the nation's environmental rules are "out of control." Wednesday's Senate hearing was focused on "modernizing" the current act by making it more challenging to list a new species, for example, or expediting the removal of species that are already listed.

Lead Ammunition Poisons Wildlife But Too Expensive To Change, Hunters Say via NPR

On the day before President Trump's inauguration, the outgoing Obama administration passed a last-minute directive banning the use of lead ammunition and fishing sinkers on federal land. But hunters are hoping Trump will soon overturn it.

FFAR announces \$10 million Pollinator Health Fund via Agri-Pulse

The Foundation for Food and Agriculture Research is committing \$10 million toward reversing the decline of the pollinator population in the U.S. The Pollinator Health Fund will support research and technology developments that affect pollinators in agricultural landscapes and real-world applications to beekeeping, land management, and farming practices.

Supporters applaud proposed noxious weed program via Missoulian

A bill that could pump more than \$2 million annually into the fight against noxious weeds in wildlife habitat drew unanimous support from weed managers, wildlife managers, and conservation and livestock groups. House Bill 434, known as the Montana Wildlife Habitat Improvement Act, creates a new grant program and advisory council administered by Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks.

Floods In San Jose Push 14,000 People Out Of Their Homes via NPR

Flooding in San Jose, Calif., has prompted the evacuation of at least 14,000 residents. Flooding along Coyote Creek came after a series of heavy rainstorms combined with water rushing down the spillway of nearby Anderson Reservoir, which is now filled to capacity. Now floodwaters are receding, but the danger isn't over. In addition to the 14,000 mandatory evacuations, some 22,000 people were encouraged to leave their homes.

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Kevin's Corner

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Did we or did we not?

Just this past month a letter was sent to both houses of the State Legislature advising the legislators that the Riverside County Board of Supervisors SUPPORTS Senate Bill-1 (and Assembly Bill-1). Both of these identical bills call for very large tax and fee increases (\$5.5 billion) to be levied against private and commercial vehicle owners (and fuel) in California, with the hardest hit likely to be individuals who commute long distances to work—like many of the residents in Western Riverside County. The problem with the letter of support was that SB-1 & AB-1 never came before the Board of Supervisors for a vote. So how did a SUPPORT letter obtain the green light to be sent? Seems that back in May 2015 a similar Transportation Bill was considered by the Board for support and passed on a 3-2 vote (with Supervisor Washington and I voting no). Somehow, that old vote was the justification to support all the new fees and taxes. Never mind that it was a different bill in a different legislative session and that one of the 2015 supporters on the Board of Supervisors tragically passed away in late 2016 - somehow somehow a letter was still issued on behalf of the current Board. At the March 7th Board meeting, I will be proposing a new Board policy to prevent future misrepresentations of the full Board.

Helping The Homeless Gets Complicated.

Nearly every community in Riverside County has had ongoing concerns with the homeless. While we have had great success housing veterans and families with children, a segment of the homeless have absolutely no desire to be placed in a shelter (even if we had the room for all of them), and a large segment truly need serious treatment for mental health and/or addictions. With few communities (if any) willing to allow new treatment or housing facilities to be located within their boundaries, the problems and challenges continue, with the homeless only being shuffled around by code or law enforcement. A regional task force of sorts has been working together for some time now, trying to get everybody to row the same direction. Our office has been helping lead the charge, along with several cities and mayors. Stay tuned, maybe just maybe some new ideas and commitments will come together and we can implement a more comprehensive strategy to both help the homeless and to protect our neighborhoods and downtown areas.

What's next for Marijuana Advocates?

Last month I shared that the Board of Supervisors will be holding a workshop on the voter approved legalization of Recreational Marijuana. That hearing will be in the afternoon of March 21st here at the County Administrative Center in Downtown Riverside (you can also watch live or later online from the comfort of your office or home). Recent comments from the Federal Department of Justice have implied that the Feds might crack down on Recreational Marijuana in states like California that have legalized it. This could put counties and cities who move to license and regulate growing, processing, or selling marijuana according to state law in the crosshairs of the Department of Justice for violating federal law, further complicating an already complicated issue. Once again-- Stay tuned!

Respectfully,
Kevin Jeffries
First District Supervisor



Supervisor Success Stories



Each month this column highlights recent successes in Supervisor Jeffries' Office, whether it is assistance for a single citizen dealing with the county bureaucracy, a change in county policy to improve our community, or a promise kept by the Supervisor.

Abandoned Mobile Home Removed

Recently some unknown parties decided to abandon a mobile home on Concordia Ranch Rd which runs parallel to the 15 Freeway. Our office staff was able to take pictures of the trailer and advise our local departments as well as CHP. Within three days the trailer was removed!

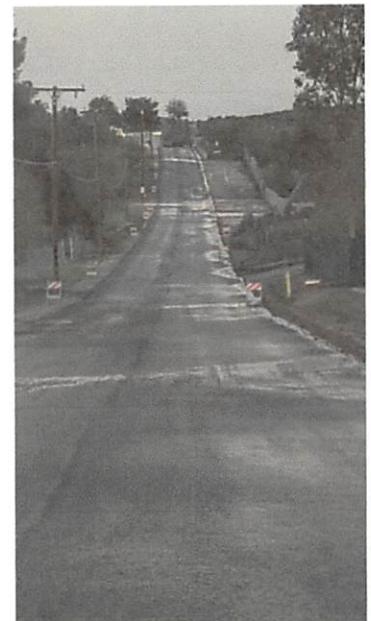
If you see illegal dumping in or alongside the roadway please contact either our County Waste Resources Department at (800) 870-6600 or visit them online at www.rcwaste.org and make a report.



More Road Paving!

County Transportation crews recently completed the paving of Richards Road in the Meadowbrook area of Riverside County. Over 40+ homes will be served by this connector road for them to reach Highway 74.

Local residents were ecstatic to have their road finally paved, "No more mud and washboards" exclaimed one resident to staff who was out checking the road. Even Agape Church held a lunch for the Transportation crews to express their thanks for all the work they did in finishing this project before the rains hit.

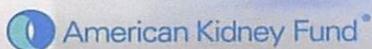


1st District Planning Commissioner Taking Leadership Role at County TLMA



Charissa Leach

Supervisor Jeffries is proud to announce that our 1st District Planning Commissioner Charissa Leach has been selected as the Assistant Director of the Transportation and Land Management Agency (TLMA), in charge of Community Development. Charissa has done an amazing job as our Planning Commissioner over the past four years, and we hope she can bring her insights and knowledge into her new job and help fix many of the problems she has helped us identify in the Planning, Building and Safety, and Code Enforcement Departments she will be helping to manage, and make all of them more customer friendly and more responsive to the needs of our communities.



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Non Profit Spotlight

THE GROVE COMMUNITY CHURCH AT MOSES-SCHAFFER COMMUNITY CENTER

It all started on June 18, 1925 when a small group of people with great faith stepped forward and established our church. They did not know the impact they would have 90 years later. The Grove today is in the business of transforming lives one at a time. We are intentional about serving here in Riverside and the world beyond.

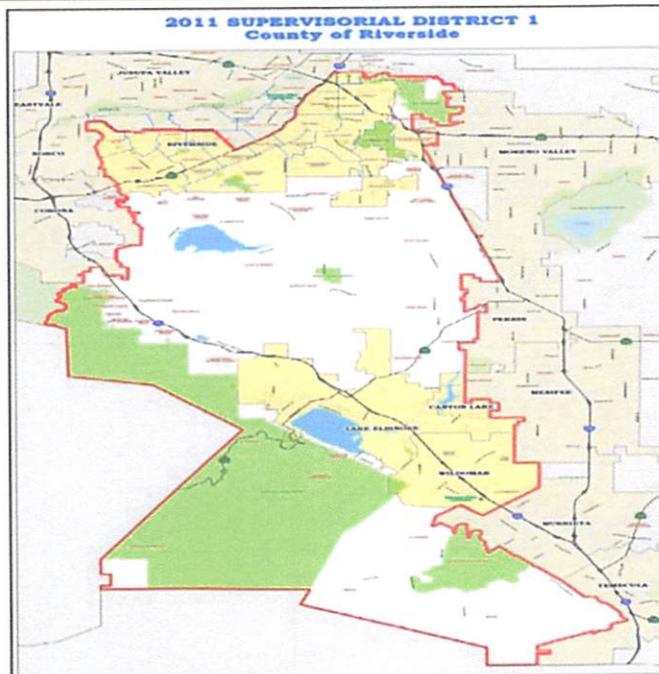


Now, over 90 years later, we've had incredible opportunities to serve people. Our church's name and location have changed multiple times, but the heart is the same. For 90 years, we have been challenged to extend friendship to our neighbors, to put our arm around those who are struggling, and to bring hope to those who have great need. God has called us to invest in global partners and organizations who are reaching people in the most remote parts of the world, and to be faithful in sharing the Good News through serving and loving others.

We operate and are a part of counseling and community centers all over the world: in Riverside, just down the street from the church; in El Niño, Mexico; in Tunis, Tunisia; in Sulaymaniyah, Kurdistan. Just recently, about 20 minutes away, we opened the Good Hope Community Center.

The Grove is excited to be partnering with the County of Riverside in operating the Moses-Schaffer Community Center in Good Hope. The county's heart and passion is for the communities around Good Hope, and we find ourselves with the same heart in serving this area.

For more information about The Grove please visit us online at <https://thegrove.cc> or for more information about classes and events in Good Hope, please stop by the Moses-Schaffer Community Center during regular business hours or call (951) 943-9126.



First District Profile



Kevin Jeffries was elected in November 2012 to represent the residents of the 1st Supervisorial District on the Riverside County Board of Supervisors. This district covers the cities of Riverside, Lake Elsinore, Canyon Lake, and Wildomar, and unincorporated communities including Woodcrest, Lake Mathews, Mead Valley, Temescal Valley, Good Hope, Lakeland Village, El Cariso, Meadowbrook, La Cresta, Tenaaja, DeLuz and Spring Hills.



Cops For Kids CELEBRITY GOLF TOURNAMENT



Friday, May 5th 2017
This event is tax deductible!

Check in begins at 7 a.m. Shotgun Start at 8 a.m.

Come play with some of your favorite retired NFL players!

Dos Lagos Golf Course
4507 Cabot Dr. Corona, CA 92883

Foursome Sponsor \$500
Individuals \$125
Prices include the all-day events listed.

Register online at:
copsforkidsinc.org/events.html
or
contact Dave Fontneau @ 951.245.3389
to reserve your spot by phone.

**18 Holes of Golf
Mulligans
Raffle & Great Prizes
Foursome Photo
Santa Maria
BBQ Lunch at 1 p.m.**

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Temescal Valley Town Hall

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- BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, KEVIN JEFFRIES
- COUNTY FIRE/CALFIRE
- COUNTY SHERIFF
- TRANSPORTATION & LAND MANAGEMENT AGENCY
- FLOOD CONTROL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
- CODE ENFORCEMENT
- REGISTRAR OF VOTERS
- VETERANS SERVICES
- OFFICE ON AGING
- DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH
- COUNTY LIBRARIES (EL CERRITO)
- EDA - Workforce Development
- Transportation Commission (RCTC)
- Regional Park & Open-Space District
- County Waste Management Dept.
- Environmental Health
- Animal Services
- California Highway Patrol
- Temescal Valley Water District
- Southern California Edison
- Southern California Gas Company
- Waste Management, Inc.
- Western Municipal Water District



Wednesday - March 8, 2017

6:00 - 7:30pm
(Doors open at 5:30)

Temescal Elementary School
22950 Claystone Avenue
Temescal Valley, CA 92883

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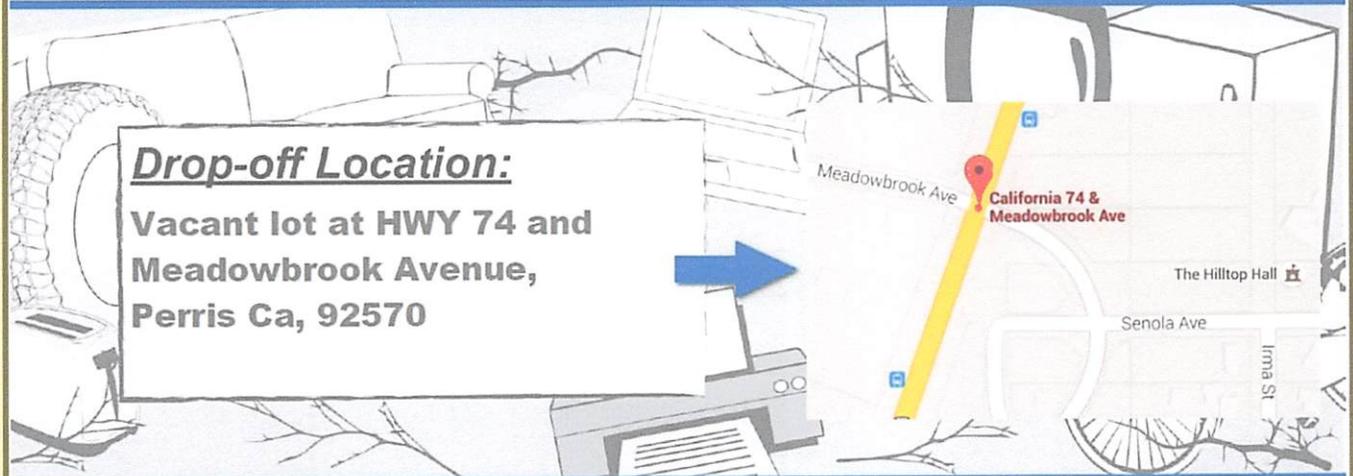


COMMUNITY CLEAN-UP

Meadowbrook/Goodhope

Saturday, March 25, 2017

8:00 am to 12:00 pm



Acceptable Items

- **Tires:** Per state law, please only transport 9 tires per trip. Please call Riverside County Waste Management Department for a waiver if needed. Tires must be less than 4ft in diameter & weigh less than 200 lbs.
- **Furniture:** Sofa beds, couches, tables, chairs, mattresses, box springs and patio furniture.
- **Large Appliances:** Washing machines, dryers, stoves refrigerators, water heaters, air conditioners and dishwashers.
- **Tree Limbs and Branches:** Should not exceed 18 inches in diameter or 3 feet in length. Please make sure tree limbs are bundled and tied together.
- **Electronic Waste (E-Waste):** Computers, monitors, printers, old televisions and other electronic devices with a plug or circuit board.
- **Other Items:** Bicycles, barbecues, swing sets, and small appliances

Unacceptable Items

- **Fluorescent light bulbs**
- **Pesticides/Fertilizers**
- **Weed Killers/Herbicides**
- **Rodent Poisons**
- **Latex, Oil, or Water based Paint**
- **Batteries,**
- **Motor Parts**
- **Solvents/Gasoline**
- **Transmission/brake fluid**
- **Bleach/tub & Tile Cleaners**
- **Empty Drums**
- **Anti-Freeze**
- **Pool Chemicals**
- **Engines**
- **Motor oil and Other Hazardous**
- **Concrete or construction/ demolition materials**

NOTE: Does not include disposal of industrial, business, or household hazardous waste, building materials, or household trash. If you need additional information please contact Riverside County Department of Waste Resources at (951) 486-3200. Alternate formats available upon request.



The Use of Structural Equation Modeling in Support of Conservation Biology

Wednesday, March 8, 2017
4:10-5:00 pm, Genomics Auditorium

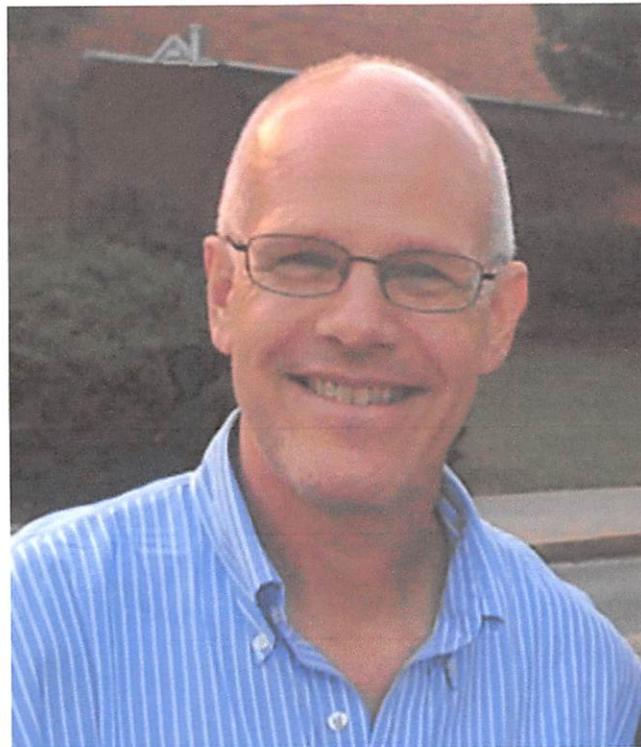
Pre-seminar coffee at 3:40, Genomics Foyer

Jim Grace

U.S. Geological Survey, Lafayette, Louisiana

Summary

There is a growing awareness that the task of conserving nature will not be simple and that it will require non-traditional tools that can deal with the inherently complex behavior of natural systems. The methodology known as "Structural Equation Modeling" or SEM represents a framework for studying complex relationships in systems. In this talk I will provide simple illustrations of the methodology, emphasizing its value for conservation biology. I will also provide an overview of the ongoing growth in capability of the methodology and its relationship to other methods of analysis.



James B. Grace obtained his B.S. from Presbyterian College, his M.S. from Clemson University, and his Ph.D. from Michigan State University. He served on the faculty at the University of Arkansas for five years and then later became a Professor of Botany at Louisiana State University. He is currently a Senior Scientist with the US Geological Survey in Lafayette Louisiana and holds an Adjunct Professorship in Biology at the University of Louisiana. In 2000, he was the recipient of the Meritorious Research Award by the Society

of Wetland Scientists and in 2003 he received the National Science Excellence Award from the U.S. Geological Survey. He was selected to be a Fellow of the Ecological Society of America and promoted to the Senior Scientist ranks in 2014. He has published over 180 papers and reports, including 3 books, one on competitive interactions, one on community analysis, and one on structural equation modeling.

Workshop in Structural Equation Modeling
Wednesday, March 8, 2017
9:00-12:00 am
Batch 2158

Dr. Grace will lead a workshop in Structural Equation Modeling for UCR and conservation researchers. Please contact Kayla Phillips michala.phillips@email.ucr.edu or Edie Allen edith.allen@ucr.edu for information and to reserve a seat. Workshop details to follow.

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There are certain things that nature can do that we
can't do as well.

BRIAN STRANKO, DIRECTOR OF WATER PROGRAMS FOR THE NATURE
CONSERVANCY - CALIFORNIA, IN THE NEW YORK TIMES

Our water system was built for a different era—one that
doesn't prepare for climate change and the extreme weather
that comes with it.

The Oroville Dam situation is the latest reminder that we
need to update it. With recent floods, we have an opportunity
to rethink the approach and turn to more dynamic, nature-
based solutions like floodplains.

- **Read up in The New York Times** about how we're demonstrating the power of floodplains on the ground and how it can help us adapt to extreme weather events that are becoming the norm.
- **Watch drone footage** of the restoration work we did in the Sacramento-San Joaquin River Delta to ease flood pressure when rivers run high, provide habitat for fish and wildlife, and naturally recharge our groundwater to be used outside the rainy season.

- **Hear from Brian Stranko**, our director of water programs, on how we can use data to dynamically manage water in wet and dry years.

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Monthly News from River Network – March 2017

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UPDATES ON OUR WORK



Rain barrel workshop participants paint a barrel © Coca-Cola

Host A Rain Barrel Workshop For Earth Month!

River Network is expanding the National Rain Barrel Program this spring with support from Coca-Cola and the Coca-Cola Foundation. Hosting rain barrel making workshops is a great way for local groups to educate people in your area on water conservation and enable them to make and then install rain barrels at their homes and in their communities.

River Network connects local organizations with Coca-Cola bottling facilities to get donated syrup drums that can be converted into rain barrels and provides each group with 20 free rain barrel

Is Your River Network Membership Current?

Be sure to [renew or sign up](#) today so you can receive your Member discount code for 25% off River Rally 2017 registration and qualify for extra free rain barrel kits.

RIVER NETWORK EVENTS & LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

River Rally 2017 - May 8-11, Grand Rapids, MI
– [Register here.](#)

March 16, 2017 (2pm - 3:30pm EST) -
[Strengthening Your Advocacy and Community Organizing](#)

retrofit kits and guidance to jump-start a local rain barrel program. Current [River Network Members](#) are eligible to receive additional free kits. During April (Earth Month), we will promote the workshops through our [Reduce Your Water Footprint page](#), social media, online ads and traditional media.

[Click here](#) to learn how to get free materials and plan a rain barrel workshop. Workshops must be confirmed by March 31, 2017 to participate in this year's spring/summer program.

Becoming an Equitable and Inclusive Organization webinar series will be posted [here](#) soon. The series includes:

May 18, 2017 (1pm - 2:30pm EST) - The "What, Why and How" of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion

June 1, 2017 (1pm - 2:30pm EST) - Exploring Unconscious Bias in Ourselves, Our Organizations and Our Conservation Community

River Rally 2017 - Early Bird Registration Ends April 7th!

Join us in Grand Rapids, Michigan from May 8-11 for [this year's conference!](#) In the midst of many water related crises we will be asking some hard questions about water access, equity, and sustainability.

New at River Rally this year, the first ever Teen River Rally will bring more than 50 high school students from the Grand Rapids area to the conference for a day to learn about careers in conservation. We also offer thought-provoking plenaries, more than 60 practical workshops, fun field trips, mentoring sessions, the Wild and Scenic Film Festival, morning yoga, an open mic talent show, and the 2017 River Heroes Banquet and Awards Ceremony.

For questions regarding River Rally contact our [Registration Coordinator](#)

COMMUNITY NEWS

Urban Waters Learning Network: How the Past Informs the Future

Concerned about lead and drinking water? What about at schools and day care centers? Here's what you

Communities are doing innovative, creative work around urban waters- helping clean them up, inspiring citizens to discover them as a resource, and tapping into them as an economic asset. [This story](#) highlights how the Smithsonian Anacostia Community Museum, a member of the EPA-funded Urban Waters Learning Network, uses research and history to engage local residents in their urban waterway.

should know if you have concerns? [Read more >](#)

When Rivers Caught Fire and Bald Eagles Were Poisoned: Why We Need The EPA. [Read more >](#)

Waters of the United States Rule to be reviewed and reconsidered, could harm wetlands and small streams. [Read more >](#)

YOUR MEMBER BENEFITS

We provide our Members with the tools, resources, and connections they need to be effective stewards of our rivers and water resources. Here's one way Members can benefit:

[Get Extra Free Rain Barrel Kits](#)

Applicable for: River Network Organizational Members

Current dues-paying Members are eligible to receive up to 40 free rain barrel conversion kits and may register multiple workshops for promotion and support. Non-members are limited to 20 free kits. Workshops must be confirmed by March 31 to participate in this year's spring/summer program.

Not a current River Network Member? Renew or join today! >>>

RIVER NETWORK MEMBER OF THE MONTH



Ocmulgee River © Peg Jones

SAVE OUR RIVERS, INC:

Save Our Rivers was founded in western North Carolina (Franklin) in an effort to prevent a .5 mgd sewage treatment plant being placed at the top of the Cullasaja River, a mountain trout stream known for baptisms, swimming, tubing, and wildlife habitat. In the process, the group investigated the possibility of having the river designated as Wild and Scenic. Save Our Rivers went on to host 30 crews of Outward Bound, troubled youths, and others, giving them the opportunity to enjoy and help preserve a beautiful mountain stream and national forest. Save Our Rivers acquired several copies of the children's book "All the Way to the Ocean" with River Network's assistance and is distributing the

WHY THEY'RE MEMBERS:

"Looking back on the twenty odd years of friendship and support with River Network, Save Our Rivers, Inc. can honestly say "Thank You" to this national organization. River Network helped us to 'think out of our box' and have the confidence to speak and stand up in public. Using the knowledge shared by River Network, attaining new friends from around the country and other continents, we saw possibilities and opportunities to help ourselves and others. River Rallies have provided opportunities to visit other parts of the country, seeing what efforts have been made to look toward our rivers, instead of misusing and looking away from them. River Network continues to inspire us to attain

books to after school programs, school libraries, and interested parties who are reading and discussing the book. While still registered in North Carolina, Save Our Rivers has expanded into Georgia and is now based in Macon.

knowledge, share it with others and enjoy our friends and this beautiful world along the way.”

- Peg Jones, Founder

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