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Temecula-Elsinore-Anza-Murrieta

Resource Conservation District

Regular Board Meeting

Thursday, May 12, 2022 – 4:00 p.m.

Truax Building

41923 Second Street, Fourth Floor

Temecula, CA 92590

MISSION STATEMENT

The TEAM RCD promotes conservation practices of natural resources, opportunities for public education and participation, and a sustainable quality of life for communities within the District.

ADDING URGENCY ITEMS TO THE AGENDA:

Items may be added to the Agenda in accordance with section 54954.2(b)(2) of the Government Code (Brown Act), upon a determination by a two-thirds vote of the members of the legislative body present at the meeting, or, if less than two-thirds of the members are present, a unanimous vote of those members present, that there is a need to take immediate action and that the need for action came to the attention of the Temecula-Elsinore-Anza-Murrieta Resource Conservation District after the agenda was posted.

I. PRELIMINARY FUNCTIONS

Call to Order – Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call/Establish a Quorum

Approval of Agenda

Public Comment

Any person may address the Board at this time upon any subject not identified on this Agenda but within the jurisdiction of the Temecula-Elsinore-Anza-Murrieta Resource Conservation District. Please note that for items not listed on the agenda, the Brown Act imposes limitations on what the Board may do at this time. The Board may not take action on the item at this meeting. As to matters on the Agenda, persons will be given an opportunity to address the Board when the matter is considered. If you wish to speak during public comment, please fill out a "Speaker Request Form" and give it to the Board Secretary. When the Board President calls your name, please immediately begin by giving your name and address for the record. Each speaker will be given three (3) minutes to address the Board.

II. CONSENT CALENDAR

Consent Calendar items are expected to be routine and non-controversial, to be acted upon by the Board at one time without discussion. All items appearing on the Consent Calendar may be disposed of by a single motion. Items shall be removed from the Consent Calendar if any member of the Board of Directors, staff member, or interested person requests removal prior to a vote on a motion to approve the items. Such items shall be considered separately for action by the Board.

1. Consider approval of Minutes of the Board of Directors Regular Meeting of April 14, 2022.
2. Consider approval for current Financials and Management Reports for period ended March 31, 2022.
3. Consider approval for current bills and reimbursements:
 - a) Bills Paid:
 1. American Express - \$12.18-Go Transcript and related fees for issue with return at Chase.
 2. Riverside Office of County Counsel – Inv. #69962, \$299.20. – March-legal services.
 - b) Bills to be paid or reimbursements: None
 - c) Accounts Receivable:
 1. RCWD - AEIP/CropSWAP audits-#2022-2333-\$850.00,
 2. SAWA-Inv#2022-2334-\$1470.20
 3. MRCD-Mission RCD-\$1558.50
 4. Department of Conservation - \$1,255.00 – Website grant reimbursement

Approve all Correspondence and General information listed below as received on Consent Calendar

III. CORRESPONDENCE/GENERAL

1. Social Security Administrator info form-Completed
2. CSDA Support letter from CSDA for AB 1776
3. LAFCO Proposed Budget – 4/28/22
4. OnGoing Drought Condition Chart from Presentation by Brian Brady -RCWD- April 14, 2022 Meeting

IV. GENERAL INFORMATION –CORRESPONDENCE GENERAL

1. CSDA – 4/13/22, 4/14/22,4/19/22, 5/3/22
2. NACD eResource –4/12/22, 4/15/22, 4/19/22, 4/26/22, 5/3/22
3. River Network – 4/19/22, 4/21/22, 4/28/22, 4/28/22,5/4/22
4. Riverside County Economic Development-4/14/22, 4/25/22, 4/27/22, 5/3/22, 5/6/22
5. Wildfire Preparedness-4/13/22
6. California Energy Commission-4/21/22
7. Wild Farm Alliance-4-10-22, 5/2/22
8. Registrar of Voters-Voting Accessibility Advisory Committee (VAAC)
9. Salton Sea Authority-4/25/22
10. Riverside County Watershed Protection-5/3/22, 5/6/22
11. Pheasants, Quail & Habitat Forever Seed Program-5/3/22
12. Western Regional County Regional Conservation Authority-5/5/22
13. LAFCO-Notice of Public Hearing-Final Budget for Fiscal Year 2022/23

V. ACTION ITEMS/ DISCUSSION CALENDAR

1. Update and discussion and potential approval of letter of support on AB1902-Legislation on potential updates to Division 9- Rose Corona and Mandy Parkes-Guest and Executive Director of IERCD.
2. Update on current and future projects with Cal-Recycle grants-Teri Biancardi

VI. NEW BUSINESS

1. Update, discussion and potential approval for additional invasive removal work at Greer Ranch Conservation Easement.-Rose Corona/Mandy Parkes
2. Discussion and potential approval for costs for annual audit from Nigro and Nigro for Fiscal Year 2021-22. – Newt Parkes
3. Discussion and potential approval of grant monies to apply to clean-up sites in the Santa Margarita Watershed in conjunction with Riverside County Flood Control-Rose Corona/James Law

VII. OLD BUSINESS

1. Update on Homeless Monitoring - Newt Parkes
2. SAWA Report – Rick Neugebauer
3. Update on AEIP and CropSwap reports-Randy Feeney
4. Report on Anza/Aguanga area-Teri Biancardi

GUEST SPEAKERS-JAMES LAW AND BRIAN BRADY-SANTA ANA WATERSHED ASSOCIATION- In depth discussion of all current and potential future projects with Riverside Flood Control and other projects including Conservation Easements that TEAM RCD is collaborating on with SAWA. -**James Law and Brian Brady**

VIII. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

IX. ADJOURNMENT

ADA COMPLIANCE STATEMENT:

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Next Meeting: June 9, 2022 at 4:00 PM Regular Meeting

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I. PRELIMINARY FUNCTIONS

Call to Order: 4:00 p.m. meeting recorded by Rose Corona

Flag Salute

Roll Call/Establish a Quorum

Directors Present: Rose Corona (President), Newt Parkes (Secretary-Treasurer), Randy Feeney (Director), Pablo Bryant-(Director) Darlene Gilbert-Temporary Office Manager.

Directors Absent-Teri Biancardi (Director)

Associate Directors Present: Rick Neugebauer- Rick Neugebauer-Associate Director

Associate Directors Absent: None

Office Manager: Darlene Gilbert-Present

Natural Resources Conservation District (NRCS) Waiting to new representative to be named- Bob Hewitt retired.

District Counsel: Melissa Cushman-Absent

Guest Speakers: Mandy Parkes-Inland Empire RCD, Brian Brady, Executive Director - SAWA

Public Guests: Sebastian Valente

Approval of Agenda

President Corona asks for a motion to approve the agenda with the removal of one item which was the presentation of the SAWA Flood Control projects. The main presenter for SAWA James Law had an ankle injury and could not attend to President Corona asked that this item be moved to the next meeting. President Corona made a motion to include the Consent Calendar, correspondence, financials and minutes as presented, excluding the presentation by SAWA which was moved to the next meeting. Director Parkes seconded. With no further discussion, President Corona calls for a vote. Unanimous vote-4-0.

PUBLIC COMMENTS-NONE

II. ACTION ITEMS

Item 1: Update on current and future projects with Cal-Recycle Grants. – Director Corona reports that Director Biancardi who is absent will be giving a more in-depth report at the next meeting but the overall result of our grant proposal was that the client who owns the property that was being considered declined the grant offer. Director Pablo asked what was the portion that the owner of the property would have to pay and President Corona said \$19,000 of an approximate \$50,000 clean up cost.

Item 2: Update on Benton Channel Conservation Easement and Potential Habitat Restoration projects- President Corona notes that Joan Valle with Riverside County Flood Control and who is in charge of regulatory aspects with the District, is working on outreach to the Army Corps, CDFW and others to see how we can amend our conservation easement at Benton channel to be able to do a more restoration. It would involve using some of the urban slobber on each side of the easement that is currently owned by Flood Control. Although there was nothing more to report, the President felt that at least the wheel is starting to roll as far as this project is concerned if Riverside Flood and TEAM RCD and get everyone in the same room to discuss

Item 3: Update and discussion and potential approval of equipment for podcast. – Director Corona reported that she obtained some pricing for equipment and that Director Feeney was working with her on this project. She asked for a motion to provide a not to exceed amount of \$500.00 to purchase adequate headphone sets and potential software to get this program launched. Randy Feeney seconded the motion. Director Bryant asked what kinds of themes would be presented. President Corona said that at the present time, TEAM RCD would stick with agricultural themes in that this is an area in which we are doing work in the District, such as the CropSwap and Ag Efficiency Irrigation programs. So that encompasses a lot of the District activities. Also she acknowledge that many people are getting back to raising their own foods and livestock and have no resource for that information or at least don't know where to find that information so it could be of help. Also she has had local government agencies reach out and want an avenue to discuss what they do. For example, the California Dept. of Food and Agriculture has reached out and wants to be of assistance to the community and have a platform to discuss what they do along with groups like the Riverside County Farm Bureau would be a great asset in that all their members have a wealth of knowledge in regards to a variety of different kinds of farming. Or talking to a variety of local farmers in informing people about various types of farming both large or organic farming in the District. This could also include the Wine Growers Association and even the extension at UCR.

Director Neugebauer asked if TEAM RCD planned on doing a YouTube link and the President suggested baby steps to start out by having one on one interviews in a radio style to begin with and then include potential YouTube educational programs if we find the program is successful. In particular, if the TEAM RCD interview is trying to show how to do something, such as plant an avocado tree and how to water it etc or building a chicken coop or something that would be better received or understood if it

was shown to the public, then of course YouTube would be better. The members threw out a few more ideas and the President also noted that she would have to discuss with the District Counsel the parameters of using social media by a District. Motion was made by President Corona. Director Feeney seconded. Call for a vote. Unanimous 4-0.

Item 4: Reminder to all Board members where it is applicable to take the Ethics and Harassment Training through the CSDA webinars- President made a quick reminder. No motion necessary.

NEW BUSINESS

Item 1: Update on New Drought Executive Order- Brian Brady who is the Executive Director of SAWA and a Board member of the Rancho California Water District came and spoke about the New Drought Executive Order that how that order may have an impact on TEAM RCD's area. Mr. Brady brought a chart to show the latest drought conditions in the State. Although hope was high that California would have a good year in late 2021, he indicated that January and February of 2022 were the driest consecutive months on record. He noted that often the public will hear on radio or TV that one day will be the hottest day on record, yet the announcers or weather people will also note that the drought is the most severe in 1200 years. Most people don't know that this data has only be being recorded for only 100 or so years so it gets confusing for the public. But as Mr. Brady said, regardless, the State of California is in a drought. He also noted that the Dept. of Water Resources along with the Executive order is going to require a 20% water use reduction by the public. The language in the EO is to focus on what is called "non-functional turf". In other words, your lawn. Mr. Brady noted that DWR is considering banning irrigation of non-functional turf for all commercial and industrial customers, however, those customers have the least demand for water. The greatest demand is from schools and other governmental agencies and of course, residential. Brady notes that by mid-May there will be some sort of regulation and that Rancho Water has done an analysis on that and they RCWD doesn't feel that non-functional turf is going to make really any contribution to reducing consumption. He also spoke about the fact that the implementation date is by May 25th and there is a lot of things that have yet to be discussed including recycled water.

He also brought forth the issue of what is called conservation hardening which goes to the conversation about how many homes now already have installed low flush toilets and water constrictors on showerheads and faucets and because it already had been done and it's called "hardening". So where do we look to get the next 20% and RCWD is taking a look at that.

For Rancho Water customers however the positive thing is that they are expecting to implement what's called Stage 3C. In simple terms, that means everyone is given a budget or allotment which allows customers to water their crops, lawns, etc without penalty as long as they stay under the allotment. There are three tiers. Tier one is the customer's allotment. Tier two is referred to as "inefficient" use of the allotment, and Tier 3 presently is called wasteful. Mr. Brady feels that this last tier "Wasteful" will probably be eliminated. The issue then becomes that with less water being used, the Rancho Water District will end up taking between a \$500,00 and \$3 million dollar hit on revenue so they will have some budget impacts. However, in terms of having water for the District, he noted he feels very confident the water will be there for the customers.

There were a few more questions regarding the definition of non-functional turf and how the RCWD will look at allotments for farmers who are involved in the CropSwap and RootStock swap programs and how the allotments will change. President Corona asked it will clearly be less water being used yet the trees will eventually grow. President Corona wanted to know how that would affect the farmer's allotment. Mr Brady felt that the ag customers allotments are done on a "Base Year" allotment which reflects a fully functioning crop and cycle not one that is starting over from scratch which would reflect a smaller use of water since the crops are not fully functioning.

AD Neugebauer noted that the Executive Order also doesn't address new growth or new meter hookups or new commercial development. So there are many things to consider before the actual Executive Order goes into place. President Corona thanked Mr. Brady and the Board moved on to the next item.

Item 2: Update and Discussion on AB 1902 and Legislation on potential updates to Division 9- Mandy Parkes is the Executive Director of the Inland Empire Resource Conservation District and came to discuss and inform the Board on the a recent legislative bill (AB1902) that would provide potentially more accessible revenue stream for RCD's statewide. Ms. Parkes asked if the Board knew what the California Association of /resource Conservation Districts is. President Corona proceeded to explain to the Board that it is the association that represents all the RCD's in the state of California if they choose to belong to it. Ms. Parkes noted that it is a voluntary 501c6 that can do advocacy work at the Capital on behalf of the Resource Conservation Districts to help them build capacity, networks within their districts and to make sure that the members have updated representation on their concerns. Ms. Parkes noted that one of the biggest hurdles to RCD's is that people aren't aware the RCD's exist and particularly because of the difference in functionality amount the districts among the Districts. Some do forestry because their near forests, other do fish related projects because the are near lakes, streams or the ocean. Some Districts have tax base money, others don't. Some are actively programming while others do very little programming. And there's a lot of difference in ability. The biggest hurdle, Ms. Parkes states, is associated with getting funding on an ongoing basis through strategic implementation of statewide priorities on a regional or local scale. Ms. Parkes also went on to say that the RCD's would like to continue to position ourselves to be the boots on the ground on a local/regional scale but there are a few things standing in the way, which one of them being a code that was written originally in the 1930;s which had no significant changes in the language since then. So she wanted to provide more information for the Board as to the pros and cons of the bill itself to help TEAM RCD have a better understanding of what is happening on the state and national level that effects TEAM RCD and the other RCD's.

She mentioned that the CARCD is looking to quadruple the amount of capacity funding for around \$10 million dollars toward Tier one and the legislation and changes are connected to that capacity building money. It is possible that each RCD in the network could receive \$100,000 toward projects if the legislation goes forward to continue building their capacity. Ms. Parkes went on to discuss the pros and cons and the possibility that there is always risk involved when legislation makes changes. However, the significant updates if approved would make it possible for RCD's to have better access to funding and more direct support from the Department of Conservation. It assists in potentially helping those RCD's that are not as operational as those that have tax base support to be able to build their capacity and become more operational. The language also improves the language that lets the public know that the RCD's do more than just soil erosion and water projects.

Ms. Parkes also discussed the issue of advanced payments for grants as well as the matching funds issues that make it so difficult for RCD's to get grants or even submit the information in the first place. She stated that revision in the language would change the list from vague to a list that would give the Dept. of Conservation the ability to provide a range of assistance to RCDs, financial, technical, organization, capacity building etc. instead of limiting it to soil erosion and water. The changes would also authorize the DOC to provide advance payments to RCD's changing the existing policy of having the RCD's put money up front for grants and then have to wait for the money for months to come in to pay them back for their work.

She went on to discuss the involvement of the CARCD and the Pacific Policy Group to keep the important issues of the RCD's at the forefront of legislation and spoke about the concerns that many RCD's have about unfunded mandates and new language that gives parameters for how annual and long term work plans will be constructed for RCD's although annual and longterm work plans are already a requirement in Division 9. They are required for RCD's to be legally operational.

President Corona noted that in reading the e-mails and information that the CARCD was looking for letters from the RCD's either supporting the work or not. Ms. Parkes said that if the Board wishes to write a letter of support that it would be beneficial to acknowledge the effort to build capacity for the smaller Districts and that she would send out the information for the Board to review in order that we have all the information. President Corona noted that we could discuss it further and decide whether we want to send a support or non support letter for the legislation changes. Ms. Parkes noted that Inland Empire RCD fully supports the legislation. She invited the entire Board to attend the virtual town hall meeting if they had further questions or concerns. This would give people a chance to hear both sides of the debate.

President Corona ended this portion of the presentation by reading from the Q and A answers After provided as to why the CARCD was proposing the bill and provided the concise summary for the Board. Here is the summary to the Q&A.

"CARCD has been engaging in an effort to update Division 9 for over five years as part of our long-term strategy for baseline funding capacity funding. The proposed changes in AB-1902, have been driven by conversations with RCDs.

We have engaged partners like CSDA, and [unintelligible 00:57:54] the last meaningful update to Division 9 took place over 30 years ago and revisions to the scope of our work haven't been made since the 1970s, which is extremely important for all of us to be aware of. In my opinion, then getting on a side note here, we've either been asked to do a lot of things that weren't initially in the idea of resource conservation districts and that was fine for the time that they didn't ask a lot of us.

Now it seems they want us to be involved in things and performing in areas that weren't initially there past the 1970s, but yet the capacity and the ability for our ability to do so is somewhat restricted by some of the language that was created 30 years ago. Am I correct, Mandy or am I just talking off the top of my head? RCDs have evolved quite a bit since this time and are pushing the envelope on activities RCDs are undertaking regarding their statutory authority, while small changes have been made over the years, no major revisions have been

made and the code is antiquated and how it refers to our work, allowing us mostly as working on soil erosion and water delivery.

This has been called out by the LAFCO in San Diego and was the main reason why LAFCO paused their municipal service review of the San Diego county-based RCDs. More important than responding to LAFCO, this has also been called out by legislators and legislative staff, RCDs are often passed up by legislators or questioned as to whether we are the right entity to be included in legislation.

After legislative read are outdated code, we are missing out on opportunities to proposed updates in AB-1902 clearly spell out the role of RCDs in achieving the state's conservation goals and responding to the natural resource challenges facing California, principally address the climate habitat drought, and other critical challenges”

It was agreed that the President would forward the information to all Board members for their review prior to the next meeting and finally asked what the timeline was for legislative review. Ms. Parkes noted that April 29th was set for tentative scheduling for assembly and local government hearings, by May 20th the bill must pass assembly appropriations. It will then run through a number of committees and then by August 31 it will be going to the Senate floor. If it passes then it will go to the Governor's desk for veto or approval.

Noting that the bill is a lot to digest and wanted to leave the Board with the understanding on how the CARCD has changed from a loosely organized group to one that has worked very hard to show the successes of the local RCD's and their importance. At this point, the Board moved on to the next point of business.

OLD BUSINESS

- 1. Update on Greer Ranch Conservation Easement projects-** President Corona discussed and recent monitoring and projects that would be happening soon at Greer Ranch. Mandy Parkes noted that Greer Ranch has asked for quarterly monitoring and noting that while doing work there, the staff from IERCD will be doing site monitoring and also hand pulling noxious weeds and removing trash.
- 2. Update on Homeless Monitoring-** Director Newt Parkes reported on the Homeless activities and what he had given to Mike Wooten who is responsible for the homeless activities in Temecula. He noted that the response to letting the task force know has been improved and that there has obviously been some clean up activities so the reporting of them has been having an effect. Director Parkes reported that there are three spots. Santa Gertrudis Channel has had some cleanup and it appears the homeless activity has ceased but some still remain. The Temecula Creek channel AD-159 some areas have been cleaned up that were problematic and some activities are taking place nearby. An area on Temecula Creek a camp outside the boundary under a cottonwood cluster has been also cleaned up while a transient camp and drainage pipe remain inactive.

Director Parkes also summarized the work with the Lake Elsinore Homeless Task Force, and how their objectives to keep these objectives at the forefront to focus on their mission. The objectives are finding more funding sources, options for newly homeless who are at risk, identifying funding for the nonprofit to assist with programs and services, education and engagement, and education and encouragement campaign to activate parts of the community of Lake Elsinore supporting efforts to get homeless individuals to get the help they deserve. Reintegration programs for residents at The Anchor which is the residential facility defining explorer use, homelessness in Wildomar and the extended story behind youth homelessness in the region and identify opportunities to support the sub-population in the community based on findings.

Director Parkes reported that there were a few funding updates and how city and county and even federal offices are getting involved. He mentioned Representative Ken Calvert was involved in getting money for the community and obtained \$500,000 for Riverside County homeless services for the 2022 fiscal year.

3. **SAWA Report-** AD Neugebauer noted that at this time there was nothing to report.
4. **Update on AEIP and CropSwap-** Director Randy Feeney reported that they had been changing over from the one drive that the former Office Manager loaned us and that TEAM RCD is now on their own One Drive. Also, he reported that Luis Ramos was out on vacation which caused a bit of delay in the appointment process. However, since the Board acted immediately at the last meeting to engage the MOU with Coachella Valley, the appointments have continued on without much difficulty.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further items, President Corona mad a motion to adjourn. Director Feeney seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

Meeting ended at 5:17 p.m.

Item 3-Discussion and potential approval to work towards providing podcasts on the website for information and educational content for the community:

President Corona mentioned that this had been a discussion before and would like to try to get some costs as to the costs of starting a podcast on the website. She had mentioned that she had a discussion with Streamline and they would like to discuss further the possibilities to enable them to offer the same kind of situation through their services. The costs don't seem to be exorbitant but President Corona stated she'll check into some costs for equipment and then discuss with Streamline and also then get back to the Board. She also mentioned that there are many organizations, such as the California Department of Food and Agriculture that are continually looking to bring more information and exposure to exactly what services they provide for the community. The idea got a positive reaction from the Board and the President made the motion to move forward in getting approval for podcasts. Seconded by Newt Parkes. No further discussion. Unanimously approved- 5-0.

OLD BUSINESS

Item 1 -Update on Clinton Keith and Empire Creek Properties- President Corona reported that there was no update at this time and she is waiting for response from Heather Pert and Jeff Brandt regarding the Clinton Keith Property and from her e-mail regarding Empire Creek.

Item 2- Update on Homeless Monitoring- Director Parkes noted that there was not much new to report and that issues continue at the same three sites that have been issues in the past. We continue to advise the task forces of the issues and in particular Mike Wooten, the Temecula homeless coordinator. Director Parkes noted that he is not sure how much follow up there has been since there seems to be little differences from month to month that are identified. President Corona asked if there was a law enforcement person that could be contacted to find that information out and Director Parkes noted that he wasn't aware of one. President Corona suggested that we inquire at the City to see if there is someone to contact in order to make more Departments aware besides just the Homeless Coordinator. We would still be doing the same reporting to both and perhaps that would help.

James Law from SAWA noted that then we could ask law enforcement to follow up and then report back to us. Director Bryant recommended the City app which allow people to "Report an Issue" which prompt citizens to geo reference and put pictures in and by texting it in it creates a public record. Director Parkes recommended that SAWA could fill that out when they are monitoring. James Law asked if it was a Temecula app and Director Bryant said yes, also saying that the app shows a map of the city and it will let you know if you are within or out of the city limits. It then creates a public record and you can search it and see if any action was taken.

Director Parkes moved on to speaking about the Lake Elsinore Task force saying they haven't had a meeting since a month and a half ago and that he would be attending the next meeting.

Item 3-SAWA Report – AD Neugabauer noted there was a small update indicating that we would hear more from Brian Brady and James on the Lake Elsinore ILF project (In Lieu Fee) but due to the interest of saving time for the speakers, there was nothing much more to report.

Item 4-Crop Swap and AIEP Programs- Director Feeney reported that he did not have any crop swaps going on at the moment but foresees more coming a little in the future although there have been a few AIEP projects. The Root Stock programs also didn't seem to have anything at the moment but Rancho was just about to start their large promotion and mailing for the programs so we would probably get more coming in soon. Director Feeney also reported that we are expecting a lot of applications and a lot of it is going to be for changing out root stock for avocados. It appears that at the moment the program is oversaturated with grapes due to the Crop Swap program. AD Neugabauer noted that now there is a glut of grapes in the valley.

Item 5-Report on Anza/Aguanga Area-Director Biancardi spoke briefly to say that there isn't much to report but she has a couple of contacts of real estate agents who are in Anza who usually have good eyes on the ground and if the project for the grant goes through , TEAM RCD can begin planning for future projects in the area. James Law commented that if one looked at Google Earth that you can see growth everywhere and if we were looking for other projects we could start scanning around in the area and then try to reach out to the land owners. He suggested that they (SAWA) can help identify those landowners that might need help in cleaning up their farms and ranches. President Corona indicated that it might be an idea to start sending out a postcard or something to the residents promoting the Cal-Recycle plan asking if the resident is interested and having a number to call.

GUEST SPEAKERS-BOB CULLEN AND JULIANNA ADMAS-RIVERSIDE COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL

Mr. Cullen, who is the assistant Chief Engineer thanked the Board for the invitation to speak about the partnership with TEAM RCD. He also introduced Julianna Adams who is one of the Engineer Project Managers and the primary liaison for the Army Corp of Engineers, in regard to Flood Control and recreational amenities around the County. Ms. Adams would be speaking to the Board today about getting us up to speed on the trail systems that adjoins Flood Control facilities and the powerful partnership between Flood Control and TEAM RCD. Mr. Cullen commented that their mission statement has somewhat changed from "We build concrete stuff" to now the approach is much more about the communities and that Flood is trying to improve quality of life while also providing the necessary facilities to keep the citizens safe and provide the necessary services to the County in terms of Flood Control.

After reviewing the overall size of the Riverside Flood Control District, Mr. Cullen explained the relationship between what the responsibilities of the Flood Control District and the operation of their facilities are and where TEAM RCD could fill those gaps with the private property owners using their Long Term Streambed Agreement. So for example, people will call the Flood Control district when their property is flooded. Mr. Cullen stated that it is good to remind the public as to what is their responsibility when they own property and how those responsibilities impact their neighbors and since we are able to do many thing with our Long Term Streambed Agreement, it allow us to work better with the private citizens and get things done for private property owners.

Mr. Cullen continued to talk about the change in how flood channels have become more than a concrete flume but more of a trad-off that makes room for streams but also allows for a more attractive channel

for the residents that surround it yet still serves its purpose. He used the channel by Pechanga Casino as an example. Mr. Cullen also discussed the trade-offs and impacts economically of Concrete channels versus a more open channel that has bike and walking trails, how it affects the development of a housing tract and how the flows during rain season affect those channels. He also discussed the kinds of channels that are designed to be joint us for the community when floodwaters recede and how entire neighborhoods agree to having a different open area to use but also know the flood waters will be addressed during the rainy season.

After giving a little more history on the creation of the Flood Control District which was started after the flood of 1938, Mr. Cullen moved on to discuss the current contract with TEAM RCD and how well that is working. There are great advantages to the work TEAM RCD does at a much more affordable rate which allows invasive removal all year round if necessary and allows Flood Control to focus on what they do best. Mr. Cullen mentioned that TEAM RCD has been very efficient with their work and their budget and has been able to get more done than they have been able to do in the past. President Corona asked if there were more projects than the 11 they were working on that they could collaborate on.

Mr. Cullen spoke of a current project east of the Temecula Valley Hospital that would be a good partnership and described the history and what needed to be achieved there. There was also some question regarding the area behind the Temecula Creek Inn and the work that has been ongoing there but the challenges with homelessness there. Director Biancardi brought up the MS4 and NPDES (national pollutant Discharge and elimination system) and asked if cleaning up channels and doing more quality improvement projects on private lands was a nexus. Mr. Cullen noted that although things such as human waste, or car batteries and/or other pollutants for example that pass downstream into the MS4 definitely have an impact. In those cases, source control is definitely helpful and it could be a basis of expending funds through the RCD on private property. However, he did state that he "wanted to make it crystal clear that we're (Flood Control) not simply making a gift of public funds to private individuals that happen to own streams. We've got to be careful about it and determine if it will pay off and it's worthy."

President Corona asked about the area under the freeway behind the Temecula Creek golf course and what was happening with that. James Law from SAWA noted that there is still restoration and invasive removal going on in that area and we are continuing to work through it. Although there is an area that is under the jurisdiction of the RCA. Mr. Cullen also noted that there may be some opportunities going up Murrieta Creek but not at the moment.

After further discussion, Julianna Adams began speaking about a quick update on the Murrieta Creek Trail system. She noted that the Murrieta Creek trail system is a part of a bigger trail known as the Butterfield Overland Trail that connects St. Louis and Memphis to San Francisco. Ms. Adams said that the trail system has been under construction for a very long time by the Army Corp of Engineers and that they were just about to finish their final punch list to be complete and done. Major construction is complete and there are a couple of small repairs needed to be completed but other than that, once it those fixes are completely the project will go back over to Flood Control. She continued to speak about when the project is turned over to the District then they will also receive the responsibilities for the trail features which will in turn then be turned over to the city for their operations and maintenance. This project has been more than 20 years in the making since it was first initiated in year 2000. When the official turn over to Flood happens, Ms. Adams and Mr. Cullen will let us know.

President Corona asked if there were any other questions and offered that if there were other projects in the works, please allow TEAM RCD to have the opportunity to take them on.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None reported.

ADJOURNMENT

Since there were no other questions, President Corona Thanked Mr. Cullen and Ms. Adams and asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Newt Parkes moved to adjourn. Seconded by Rose Corona. Unanimously approved 5-0

Meeting adjourned 5:05 p.m.

Secretary/Treasurer-Date

CONSENT CALENDAR

FINANCIALS

Management Report

Temecula-Elsinore-Anza-Murrieta Resource Conservation District
For the period ended March 31, 2022



Prepared on

May 5, 2022

For management use only

Temecula-Elsinore-Anza-Murrieta Resource Conservation District

Profit and Loss YTD Comparison

March 2022

| | TOTAL | |
|----------------------------------|-------------------|---------------------------|
| | MAR 2022 | JUL 2021 - MAR 2022 (YTD) |
| Income | | |
| Admin Fees | | |
| SAWA Administration | 216.00 | 432.00 |
| Total Admin Fees | 216.00 | 432.00 |
| CropSwap Income | 4,250.00 | 24,650.00 |
| Interest Income | 0.83 | -29.68 |
| Investments | | |
| Interest-Savings, Short-term CD | 72.91 | 147.02 |
| Total Investments | 72.91 | 147.02 |
| RCFC Pilot Projects | | |
| Hildy | | 4,544.90 |
| Murrieta Creek - Line F | | 135.45 |
| Palomar Corydon Channel | | 2,644.64 |
| Planning & Compliance | | 5,594.97 |
| Santa Gertrudis Creek | | 70,827.89 |
| Temecula Creek AD 159 | | 16,118.50 |
| Transient Monitoring | | 10,408.92 |
| Tucalota Creek Phase I & II | | 5,291.38 |
| Tucalota Creek Phase III | | 3,237.95 |
| Warm Springs/French Valley | | 33,609.30 |
| Wildomar Channel | | 6,664.51 |
| Total RCFC Pilot Projects | | 159,078.41 |
| SAWA Administration/FC | 709.70 | 14,668.80 |
| TVUSD | | |
| Channel South of TES | | 650.00 |
| Total TVUSD | | 650.00 |
| Water Audits Income | 1,500.00 | 14,650.00 |
| Total Income | \$6,749.44 | \$214,246.55 |
| GROSS INCOME | \$6,749.44 | \$214,246.55 |
| Expenses | | |
| Contract Services | | |
| CropSwap Management | 750.00 | 750.00 |
| Post Audit | 910.00 | 1,580.00 |
| Pre Audit | 990.00 | 4,085.00 |
| Total CropSwap Management | 2,650.00 | 6,415.00 |

Temecula-Elsinore-Anza-Murrieta Resource Conservation District

Profit and Loss YTD Comparison

March 2022

| | TOTAL | |
|-----------------------------------------|-----------------|---------------------------|
| | MAR 2022 | JUL 2021 - MAR 2022 (YTD) |
| RFC FACILITIES | | |
| HELASH | | 1,701.90 |
| HILDY | | 1,879.04 |
| HOMELESS MONITORING | 1,815.66 | 13,055.52 |
| MURRIETA CREEK LINE F | | 281.95 |
| PALOMAR-CORYDON CHANNEL | | 1,127.19 |
| Project Development & Administration | | 718.35 |
| SANTA GERTRUDIS CREEK | | 23,587.15 |
| TEMECULA CREEK AD 159 | | 5,647.88 |
| TUCALOTA CREEK 3 | | 2,160.59 |
| TUCALOTA CREEK I & II | | 1,020.56 |
| WARM SPRINGS / FRENCH VALLEY | | 2,708.55 |
| WARM SPRINGS/BENTON CHANNEL | | 3,119.81 |
| WILDOMAR CHANNEL | | 1,874.41 |
| Total RFC FACILITIES | 1,815.66 | 58,882.90 |
| Water Audit Management | | |
| Post Audit | | 1,325.00 |
| Pre Audit | | 3,895.00 |
| Total Water Audit Management | | 5,220.00 |
| Total Contract Services | 4,465.66 | 70,517.90 |
| General and Administration | 35.00 | 35.00 |
| Accounting Fees | | |
| Audit and Audit Documentation | | 2,000.00 |
| Bookkeeping | 578.50 | 2,836.00 |
| Total Accounting Fees | 578.50 | 4,836.00 |
| Administrative Consulting | 288.00 | 4,800.00 |
| Bank Fees | -35.00 | -35.00 |
| Books, Subscriptions, Reference | | 119.88 |
| Computer, Data and Software | 50.00 | 50.00 |
| FC - Annual Fee | | 4,088.50 |
| Insurance - Package Policy | | 2,650.87 |
| Legal Fees | 523.60 | 12,996.50 |
| Membership Dues | | 918.94 |
| Postage, Mailing Service | | 122.01 |
| Transcription | 71.54 | 459.51 |
| Website Expenses | | 2,050.00 |
| Total General and Administration | 1,511.64 | 33,092.21 |
| Interest Expense | 0.05 | 0.05 |

Temecula-Elsinore-Anza-Murrieta Resource Conservation District

Profit and Loss YTD Comparison

March 2022

| | TOTAL | |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------|---------------------------|
| | MAR 2022 | JUL 2021 - MAR 2022 (YTD) |
| Other Types of Expenses | | |
| American Express Cash Back Rewards | -0.82 | -0.82 |
| Total Other Types of Expenses | -0.82 | -0.82 |
| Unapplied Cash Bill Payment Expense | | 0.00 |
| Total Expenses | \$5,976.53 | \$103,609.34 |
| NET OPERATING INCOME | \$772.91 | \$110,637.21 |
| NET INCOME | \$772.91 | \$110,637.21 |

Balance Sheet

As of March 31, 2022

| | Total |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| ASSETS | |
| Current Assets | |
| Bank Accounts | |
| Chase CD | |
| Chase CD - Benton Channel | 165,000.00 |
| Chase CD - Greer Ranch | 125,000.00 |
| Chase CD Interest - 0618 | 30,050.34 |
| Total Chase CD | 320,050.34 |
| Checking/Savings | |
| Chase Flood - 0600 | 241,206.76 |
| Chase General - 0592 | 145,364.45 |
| Wells Fargo Mitigation Account 0102 | 98,241.48 |
| Total Checking/Savings | 484,812.69 |
| Total Bank Accounts | 804,863.03 |
| Other Current Assets | |
| Uncategorized Asset | -0.74 |
| Undeposited Funds | 8,375.70 |
| Total Other Current Assets | 8,374.96 |
| Total Current Assets | 813,237.99 |
| Fixed Assets | |
| Adeline Farms Easement | 162,750.00 |
| Clinton Keith Land | 475,000.00 |
| Greer Ranch Easement | 110,000.00 |
| Total Fixed Assets | 747,750.00 |
| TOTAL ASSETS | \$1,560,987.99 |
| LIABILITIES AND EQUITY | |
| Liabilities | |
| Current Liabilities | |
| Credit Cards | |
| AMEX 41005 | 12.18 |
| Total Credit Cards | 12.18 |
| Total Current Liabilities | 12.18 |
| Total Liabilities | 12.18 |
| Equity | |
| Retained Earnings | 1,450,338.60 |
| Net Income | 110,637.21 |
| Total Equity | 1,560,975.81 |
| TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY | \$1,560,987.99 |

Temecula-Elsinore-Anza-Murrieta Resource Conservation District

Statement of Cash Flows

March 2022

| | TOTAL |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|
| OPERATING ACTIVITIES | |
| Net Income | 143.34 |
| Adjustments to reconcile Net Income to Net Cash provided by operations: | |
| Accounts Receivable (A/R) | -2,953.00 |
| Accts Payable | 3,582.57 |
| AMEX 41005 | -53.98 |
| Out Of Scope Agency Payable | 0.00 |
| Total Adjustments to reconcile Net Income to Net Cash provided by operations: | -575.59 |
| Net cash provided by operating activities | \$718.93 |
| NET CASH INCREASE FOR PERIOD | \$718.93 |
| Cash at beginning of period | 812,519.80 |
| CASH AT END OF PERIOD | \$813,238.73 |

A/R Aging Detail

As of March 31, 2022

| Date | Transaction Type | Num | Customer | Due Date | Amount | Open Balance |
|----------------------------------------|------------------|-----------|------------------------------------------------|------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| 31 - 60 days past due | | | | | | |
| 01/21/2022 | Invoice | 1 | Department of Conservation | 02/20/2022 | 1,225.00 | 1,225.00 |
| Total for 31 - 60 days past due | | | | | \$1,225.00 | \$1,225.00 |
| Current | | | | | | |
| 03/01/2022 | Invoice | 2022-2329 | MRCDC - Mission Resource Conservation District | 03/31/2022 | 1,558.50 | 1,558.50 |
| 03/27/2022 | Invoice | 2022-2333 | RCWD - Water Audit/CropSwap | 04/26/2022 | 850.00 | 850.00 |
| 03/31/2022 | Invoice | 2022-2334 | SAWA | 04/30/2022 | 1,470.20 | 1,470.20 |
| Total for Current | | | | | \$3,878.70 | \$3,878.70 |
| TOTAL | | | | | \$5,103.70 | \$5,103.70 |

Temecula-Elsinore-Anza-Murrieta Resource Conservation District

A/P Aging Summary
As of March 31, 2022

| | CURRENT | 1 - 30 | 31 - 60 | 61 - 90 | 91 AND OVER | TOTAL |
|------------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|-------------------|
| Gilbert, Darlene | 176.00 | | | | | \$176.00 |
| Riverside Office of County Counsel | | 673.20 | | | | \$673.20 |
| Santa Ana Watershed Association | | 7,135.63 | | | | \$7,135.63 |
| TOTAL | \$176.00 | \$7,808.83 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$7,984.83 |

Temecula-Elsinore-Anza-Murrieta Resource Conservation District

Chase General - 0592, Period Ending 03/31/2022

RECONCILIATION REPORT

Reconciled on: 04/06/2022

Reconciled by: Rae Shirer

Any changes made to transactions after this date aren't included in this report.

Summary

| | USD |
|-----------------------------------------|------------|
| Statement beginning balance | 151,394.96 |
| Checks and payments cleared (4) | -2,108.25 |
| Deposits and other credits cleared (0) | 0.00 |
| Statement ending balance | 149,286.71 |
| Uncleared transactions as of 03/31/2022 | -3,922.26 |
| Register balance as of 03/31/2022 | 145,364.45 |
| Cleared transactions after 03/31/2022 | 0.00 |
| Uncleared transactions after 03/31/2022 | -7,808.83 |
| Register balance as of 04/06/2022 | 137,555.62 |

Details

Checks and payments cleared (4)

| DATE | TYPE | REF NO. | PAYEE | AMOUNT (USD) |
|--------------|---------------------|---------|----------------------------------|------------------|
| 03/02/2022 | Bill Payment | 1083 | Mission Resource Conservation... | -1,565.00 |
| 03/24/2022 | Credit Card Payment | | | -37.05 |
| 03/24/2022 | Credit Card Payment | | | -137.70 |
| 03/30/2022 | Bill Payment | 1088 | New Options Business Services... | -368.50 |
| Total | | | | -2,108.25 |

Additional Information

Uncleared checks and payments as of 03/31/2022

| DATE | TYPE | REF NO. | PAYEE | AMOUNT (USD) |
|--------------|---------------------|---------|------------------------------------|------------------|
| 03/02/2022 | Bill Payment | 1085 | Riverside Office of County Coun... | -523.60 |
| 03/02/2022 | Bill Payment | 1082 | Santa Ana Watershed Association | -1,815.66 |
| 03/15/2022 | Credit Card Payment | | | -55.70 |
| 03/30/2022 | Bill Payment | 1086 | Deborah A. Getty | -498.00 |
| 03/30/2022 | Bill Payment | 1089 | Mission Resource Conservation... | -750.00 |
| 03/30/2022 | Bill Payment | 1087 | Mission Resource Conservation... | -335.00 |
| Total | | | | -3,977.96 |

Uncleared deposits and other credits as of 03/31/2022

| DATE | TYPE | REF NO. | PAYEE | AMOUNT (USD) |
|--------------|--------------|---------|------------------|--------------|
| 03/02/2022 | Bill Payment | 1084 | Deborah A. Getty | 0.00 |
| 03/15/2022 | Transfer | | | 55.70 |
| Total | | | | 55.70 |

Uncleared checks and payments after 03/31/2022

| DATE | TYPE | REF NO. | PAYEE | AMOUNT (USD) |
|--------------|--------------|---------|------------------------------------|------------------|
| 04/06/2022 | Bill Payment | 1092 | Santa Ana Watershed Association | -7,135.63 |
| 04/06/2022 | Bill Payment | 1090 | Riverside Office of County Coun... | -673.20 |
| Total | | | | -7,808.83 |

Temecula-Elsinore-Anza-Murrieta Resource Conservation District

Chase Flood - 0600, Period Ending 03/31/2022

RECONCILIATION REPORT

Reconciled on: 04/06/2022

Reconciled by: Rae Shirer

Any changes made to transactions after this date aren't included in this report.

Summary

| | USD |
|----------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Statement beginning balance | 241,206.76 |
| Checks and payments cleared (0) | 0.00 |
| Deposits and other credits cleared (0) | 0.00 |
| Statement ending balance | <u>241,206.76</u> |
| Register balance as of 03/31/2022 | 241,206.76 |

Temecula-Elsinore-Anza-Murrieta Resource Conservation District

Chase CD Interest - 0618, Period Ending 03/31/2022

RECONCILIATION REPORT

Reconciled on: 04/06/2022

Reconciled by: Rae Shirer

Any changes made to transactions after this date aren't included in this report.

Summary

USD

| | |
|----------------------------------------|------------------|
| Statement beginning balance | 29,977.43 |
| Checks and payments cleared (0) | 0.00 |
| Deposits and other credits cleared (2) | 72.91 |
| Statement ending balance | <u>30,050.34</u> |
| Register balance as of 03/31/2022 | 30,050.34 |

Details

Deposits and other credits cleared (2)

| DATE | TYPE | REF NO. | PAYEE | AMOUNT (USD) |
|------------|---------|---------|-------|--------------|
| 03/29/2022 | Deposit | | | 31.43 |
| 03/29/2022 | Deposit | | | 41.48 |
| Total | | | | <u>72.91</u> |

Temecula-Elsinore-Anza-Murrieta Resource Conservation District

Wells Fargo Mitigation Account 0102, Period Ending 03/31/2022

RECONCILIATION REPORT

Reconciled on: 05/04/2022

Reconciled by: Rae Shirer

Any changes made to transactions after this date aren't included in this report.

Summary

| | USD |
|-----------------------------------------|------------------|
| Statement beginning balance | 98,240.65 |
| Checks and payments cleared (0) | 0.00 |
| Deposits and other credits cleared (1) | 0.83 |
| Statement ending balance | <u>98,241.48</u> |
| Register balance as of 03/31/2022 | 98,241.48 |
| Cleared transactions after 03/31/2022 | 0.00 |
| Uncleared transactions after 03/31/2022 | 0.81 |
| Register balance as of 05/04/2022 | <u>98,242.29</u> |

Details

Deposits and other credits cleared (1)

| DATE | TYPE | REF NO. | PAYEE | AMOUNT (USD) |
|--------------|---------|---------|----------------------------------|--------------|
| 03/31/2022 | Deposit | | Wells Fargo Bank-Interest Income | 0.83 |
| Total | | | | 0.83 |

Additional Information

Uncleared deposits and other credits after 03/31/2022

| DATE | TYPE | REF NO. | PAYEE | AMOUNT (USD) |
|--------------|---------|---------|----------------------------------|--------------|
| 04/30/2022 | Deposit | | Wells Fargo Bank-Interest Income | 0.81 |
| Total | | | | 0.81 |

Temecula-Elsinore-Anza-Murrieta Resource Conservation District

AMEX 41005, Period Ending 04/14/2022

RECONCILIATION REPORT

Reconciled on: 05/03/2022

Reconciled by: Rae Shirer

Any changes made to transactions after this date aren't included in this report.

Summary

USD

| | |
|-----------------------------------------|---------|
| Statement beginning balance | -0.60 |
| Charges and cash advances cleared (8) | 281.24 |
| Payments and credits cleared (7) | -268.46 |
| Statement ending balance | 12.18 |
| Register balance as of 04/14/2022 | 12.18 |
| Cleared transactions after 04/14/2022 | 0.00 |
| Uncleared transactions after 04/14/2022 | 127.23 |
| Register balance as of 05/03/2022 | 139.41 |

Details

Charges and cash advances cleared (8)

| DATE | TYPE | REF NO. | PAYEE | AMOUNT (USD) |
|--------------|---------------------|---------|----------------|---------------|
| 02/11/2022 | Expense | | Got Transcript | 56.44 |
| 02/21/2022 | Expense | | | 10.46 |
| 03/09/2022 | Expense | | | 35.00 |
| 03/11/2022 | Expense | | Got Transcript | 71.54 |
| 03/15/2022 | Expense | | | 2.05 |
| 03/15/2022 | Transfer | | | 55.70 |
| 03/16/2022 | Credit Card Expense | | | 0.05 |
| 03/28/2022 | Expense | | QuickBooks | 50.00 |
| Total | | | | 281.24 |

Payments and credits cleared (7)

| DATE | TYPE | REF NO. | PAYEE | AMOUNT (USD) |
|--------------|---------------------|---------|-------|----------------|
| 01/16/2022 | Transfer | | | -0.14 |
| 03/09/2022 | Credit Card Credit | | | -35.00 |
| 03/15/2022 | Credit Card Credit | | | -2.05 |
| 03/15/2022 | Credit Card Payment | | | -55.70 |
| 03/24/2022 | Credit Card Payment | | | -137.70 |
| 03/24/2022 | Credit Card Payment | | | -37.05 |
| 03/25/2022 | Credit Card Credit | | | -0.82 |
| Total | | | | -268.46 |

Additional Information

Uncleared charges and cash advances after 04/14/2022

| DATE | TYPE | REF NO. | PAYEE | AMOUNT (USD) |
|--------------|---------|---------|----------------|---------------|
| 04/15/2022 | Expense | | Got Transcript | 77.23 |
| 04/28/2022 | Expense | | QuickBooks | 50.00 |
| Total | | | | 127.23 |

TEAM-RCD Temecula-Elsinore-Anza-Murrieta Resource Conservation District

Bills Paid
March 2022

| DATE | TRANSACTION TYPE | MEMO/DESCRIPTION | NUM | AMOUNT |
|-----------------------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------------------------|---------|-----------|
| Deborah A. Getty | | | | |
| 03/30/2022 | Bill Payment (Check) | | 1086 | -498.00 |
| 02/13/2022 | Bill | General administrative and bookkeeping fees | 49 | 498.00 |
| Mission Resource Conservation District | | | | |
| 03/02/2022 | Bill Payment (Check) | | 1083 | -1,565.00 |
| 02/07/2022 | Bill | Crop swap management | 3136 | 575.00 |
| 02/07/2022 | Bill | Crop swap management | 3137 | 990.00 |
| 03/30/2022 | Bill Payment (Check) | | 1087 | -335.00 |
| 03/14/2022 | Bill | | 3155 | 335.00 |
| 03/30/2022 | Bill Payment (Check) | | 1089 | -750.00 |
| 03/14/2022 | Bill | | 3154 | 750.00 |
| New Options Business Services LLC | | | | |
| 03/30/2022 | Bill Payment (Check) | | 1088 | -368.50 |
| 03/27/2022 | Bill | | 1259 | 368.50 |
| Riverside Office of County Counsel | | | | |
| 03/02/2022 | Bill Payment (Check) | | 1085 | -523.60 |
| 02/17/2022 | Bill | Legal fees | 67919 | 523.60 |
| Santa Ana Watershed Association | | | | |
| 03/02/2022 | Bill Payment (Check) | | 1082 | -1,815.66 |
| 01/23/2022 | Bill | Homeless monitoring | 2022-05 | 1,815.66 |

TEAM-RCD Temecula-Elsinore-Anza-Murrieta Resource Conservation District

Bills to be Paid or Reimbursements

As of March 31, 2022

| DATE | TRANSACTION TYPE | NUM | DUE DATE | AMOUNT | OPEN BALANCE |
|-----------------------------------------------------|------------------|------------|------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Gilbert, Darlene (909) 322-7867 (home) | | | | | |
| 03/31/2022 | Bill | March 2022 | 04/10/2022 | 176.00 | 176.00 |
| Total for Gilbert, Darlene | | | | \$176.00 | \$176.00 |
| Riverside Office of County Counsel | | | | | |
| 03/20/2022 | Bill | 68894 | 03/30/2022 | 673.20 | 673.20 |
| Total for Riverside Office of County Counsel | | | | \$673.20 | \$673.20 |
| Santa Ana Watershed Association (951) 780-1012 | | | | | |
| 03/20/2022 | Bill | 2022-30 | 03/30/2022 | 7,135.63 | 7,135.63 |
| Total for Santa Ana Watershed Association | | | | \$7,135.63 | \$7,135.63 |
| TOTAL | | | | \$7,984.83 | \$7,984.83 |

CONSENT CALENDAR

BILLS PAID

**SimplyCash® Plus Business Credit Card**

TEAM RCD
 ROSE CORONA
 Closing Date 04/14/22 Next Closing Date 05/15/22
 Account Ending 6-42003

p. 1/5

Customer Care: 1-800-521-6121
 TTY: Use Relay 711
 Website: americanexpress.com

| | |
|----------------------------|-----------------|
| New Balance | \$12.18 |
| Minimum Payment Due | \$12.18 |
| Payment Due Date | 05/09/22 |

Late Payment Warning: If we do not receive your Minimum Payment Due by the Payment Due Date of 05/09/22, you may have to pay a late fee of up to \$39.00 and your APRs may be increased to the Penalty APR of 29.49%.

Get cash back on eligible purchases.
 Cash back rewards will be awarded 2
 billing periods after your Closing Date
 on which eligible purchases appear.

Account Summary

| | |
|------------------|-----------|
| Previous Balance | \$119.05 |
| Payments/Credits | -\$156.92 |
| New Charges | +\$50.00 |
| Fees | +\$0.00 |
| Interest Charged | +\$0.05 |

| | |
|----------------------------|----------------|
| New Balance | \$12.18 |
| Minimum Payment Due | \$12.18 |

| | |
|------------------|-------------|
| Credit Limit | \$25,000.00 |
| Available Credit | \$24,987.82 |

Days in Billing Period: 30

See page 2 for important information about your account.

Please refer to the **IMPORTANT NOTICES** section on page 5.

↓ Please fold on the perforation below, detach and return with your payment ↓

Payment Coupon
 Do not staple or use paper clips

Pay by Computer
 americanexpress.com/
 business

Pay by Phone
 1-800-472-9297

Account Ending 6-42003

Enter 15 digit account # on all payments.
 Make check payable to American Express.

ROSE CORONA
 TEAM RCD
 32117 CAMINO NUNEZ
 TEMECULA CA 92592-6357

| | |
|---------------------|-----------------|
| Payment Due Date | 05/09/22 |
| New Balance | \$12.18 |
| Minimum Payment Due | \$12.18 |

See reverse side for instructions
 on how to update your address,
 phone number, or email.

AMERICAN EXPRESS
 PO BOX 96001
 LOS ANGELES CA 90096-8000

\$ _____
Amount Enclosed



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Thank you! You've submitted your payment for your SimplyCash® Plus Card (-42003).

Your confirmation number is W9580. Your account balances and available credit will update shortly.

JPMORGAN CHASE BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION (-0592)

| | |
|--------|--------------------------------|
| Amount | \$139.41 |
| Date | Tue. May 03, 2022 |
| | Cancel Payment |

CONSENT CALENDAR

BILLS TO BE PAID /
REIMBURSEMENTS

CONSENT CALENDAR

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

CORRESPONDENCE



April 25, 2022

Official State Social Security Administrator
California Public Employee' Retirement System
P.O. Box 720720
Sacramento, CA 94229-0720

Dear Sirs,

Attached you will find the requested Annual Information form filled out to the best of our ability. We are a Resource Conservation District that is strictly all volunteer. We have no employees. Should you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to me at 909-208-7848.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rose Corona", is written over a horizontal line.

Rose Corona

President

TEAM RCD

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Annual Information Request

| Section 1: Employer Information | | |
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| Official Employer Name: Temecula-Elsinore-Anza-Murrieta RCD | | |
| CalPERS ID (if known): 5000001688 | Federal Tax ID Number: 33-0017618 | |
| Agreement Type: <input type="checkbox"/> Social Security & Medicare <input type="checkbox"/> Medicare Only <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Agreement | | |
| Agency Type: <input type="checkbox"/> Public Agency <input type="checkbox"/> City <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Special District | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Joint Powers Authority <input type="checkbox"/> County <input type="checkbox"/> Non-Profit | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other Type: _____ | | |
| (Please enter your Agency Type) | | |
| 1. Has the agency had any name changes? | | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| 2. If Yes, has the agency reported the change to SSSA? | | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| a. If not reported, please list previous name(s) and submit supporting documentation: | | |
| Previous Agency Name(s) | Begin Date | End Date |
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| 3. Does the agency have employees? | | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No |
| a. Please provide the total number of employees. Total: | | |
| 4. Does the agency have an active governing body? | | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| a. Do members of the governing board receive compensation? | | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No |
| b. How does the agency compensate the board members? | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Stipend <input type="checkbox"/> 1099 MISC <input type="checkbox"/> W-2 | | |
| 5. Has the agency dissolved or merged? | | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No |
| 6. Has the agency become inactive? | | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No |

If the agency does not have employees and no governing body, proceed to Section 3. Otherwise, continue to Section 2.



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| Section 2. Coverage Information | | |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------------|
| 1. Does the agency provide CalPERS retirement benefits? | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No |
| 2. Does the agency provide an employer provided public retirement system other than CalPERS? If Yes, please list below. | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No |
| Public Retirement System or Name(s) | | |
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| 3. For employees who are members of the employer-provided Public Retirement system, does the agency: | | |
| a. Withhold both Social Security and Medicare? | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No |
| b. Exclude any positions from Social Security withholding? | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No |
| c. If any positions are excluded, please indicate which positions(s) are excluded: | | |
| Elective Worker services | <input type="checkbox"/> Excluded | |
| Part-time positions | <input type="checkbox"/> Excluded | |
| Fee-based positions | <input type="checkbox"/> Excluded | |
| Agricultural Labor positions or services | <input type="checkbox"/> Excluded | |
| Student Services positions | <input type="checkbox"/> Excluded | |
| Other excluded positions, please describe: | | |
| d. Withhold only Medicare? | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| i. If Yes, were any of the Medicare only employees hired prior to April 1, 1986? | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No |



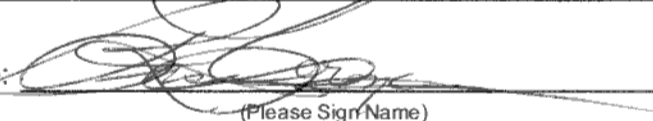
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| Section 2. Coverage Information (continued) | | |
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| 4. For employees who are not members of the employer-provided Public Retirement System, does the agency: | | |
| a. Withhold both Social Security and Medicare? | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| b. Exclude any positions from Social Security withholding? | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| c. If any positions are excluded, please indicate which positions(s) are excluded: | | |
| Elective Worker services | <input type="checkbox"/> Excluded | |
| Part-time positions | <input type="checkbox"/> Excluded | |
| Fee-based positions | <input type="checkbox"/> Excluded | |
| Agricultural Labor positions or services | <input type="checkbox"/> Excluded | |
| Student Services positions | <input type="checkbox"/> Excluded | |
| Other excluded positions, please describe: | | |
| d. Withhold only Medicare? | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| i. If Yes, were any of the Medicare only employees hired prior to April 1, 1986? | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| 5. Within the agency, has a new subdivision, component or division been created with its own Federal Tax ID Number? | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No |
| 6. Does the agency provide a FICA replacement plan? | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No |

Section 3: Authorized Contact Information and Signature

Signature:  _____ Date: 04/25/22
(Please Sign Name) (Date)

Name: Rose Corona
(Please Print Name)

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March 10, 2022

The Honorable Cottie Petrie-Norris
Chair, Assembly Committee on Accountability and Administrative Review
P.O. Box 942849
Sacramento, CA 94249-0074

**RE: AB 1776 (Gallagher), as introduced February 3, 2022 – Support
Hearing Date March 23, 2022**

Dear Assembly Member Petrie-Norris:

The California Special Districts Association (CSDA), a statewide organization representing over 1,200 special districts, is pleased to support Assembly Bill 1776 (Gallagher). This bill would include Resource Conservation Districts (RCD) within the list of entities entitled to late payment penalties when a state fails to make payment for goods and services to an RCD pursuant to a contract.

In California, RCDs are “special districts” organized under the state Public Resources Code, each with a locally elected or appointed governing board made up of local volunteers. RCDs address a wide variety of conservation issues such as forest fuel management, water and air quality, wildlife habitat restoration, soil erosion control, and conservation education.

California, and its state agencies, rely heavily on RCDs to do important work in their communities to keep them safe. However, late payments from state agencies to RCDs continue to hamper the districts’ ability to administer state contracts. Since RCDs do not receive funding for basic capacity, they do not have adequate cash reserves to advance money to their contractors while waiting for payment from the state agencies that have funded the projects. This means important wildfire and environmental safety projects may never get completed.

Including RCD’s in the prompt payment provisions the same way small businesses are is fair and necessary in order for them to continue doing the vital work they do for communities.

Sincerely,

Rosario Cortes Kapeller
Senior Legislative Representative

cc: The Honorable James Gallagher
Members, Assembly Committee on Accountability and Administrative Review



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TO: Local Agency Formation Commission

FROM: Gary Thompson, Executive Officer
Crystal M. Craig, Assistant Executive Officer

SUBJECT: FISCAL YEAR 2022-23 PROPOSED BUDGET

Executive Summary: Appropriations in the Proposed Budget, including contingency and reserve allocations, overall are less than the current fiscal year adopted budget by approximately \$100,000 (8.4). This is due primarily to significant reductions in anticipated consultant requirements, and a recommended reduction in the planned contribution to the Pension/OPEB Unfunded Liability Reserve, which is discussed further in the report.

Overall, of all the line items in the Proposed Budget, 22 line items are equal to or less than the current fiscal year Adopted Budget. 31 line items are greater than the current fiscal year Adopted Budget, mostly related to increases due to inflation.

Revenues are projected to be less than the current fiscal year budget by approximately the same \$100,000 (8.4%). This is a result of fee revenue being projected very conservatively due to an unclear forecast available at this time of future application activity. Overall, the Proposed Budget is balanced with all reserve funding requirements met, per each reserve policy, and no projected carryover into Fiscal Year (FY) 23/24.

Two specific items of note are as follows:

Potential Grant from the State for the Imperial Irrigation District Study Project- This potential \$500,000 project is not included in the budget as a final funding agreement with the state has not been reached or approved. Therefore, it will be added as part of the budget process, or a supplemental appropriation and revenue allocation, after final budget adoption if it moves forward. This will require consulting services for 95% of the project. There will be specific revenue and expenditure account line items for this project, and all charges will be booked to that specific expenditure line item for reporting segregation requirements.

Local Agency Share: As noted below, a projected \$78,144 (8.5%) overall increase is included in the Proposed Budget. As per state law, the Local Agency Share is allocated to the county, the cities and the special districts by the Auditor Controller in accordance with specified formulas. The increase is due primarily to a significantly reduced projected carry over funding which offset increases for the previous two fiscal years, reduction of projected fee revenues as noted further in this report, and the added contribution to the Pension/OPEB Unfunded Liability Reserve which was added in FY 20/21. The last Local Agency share increase was in FY 19/20.

Specific Highlights:

Revenues:

- Local Agency Share: The Proposed Budget anticipates that a **Local Agency Share increase of \$78,144 (8.5%) will be required.** As noted above, there has not been an agency share increase since FY 19/20 due to end of year carryovers realized by expenditure savings.
- Fee Revenue: A very conservative estimate of fee revenue is included as noted earlier due to an unclear forecast of future application activity. This budgeted projection is significantly less than the current fiscal year Adopted Budget, as it appears the residual economic impact from the Covid related shutdowns, and now significant inflationary factors, have slowed actual applications from anticipated applications as a result of discussions and inquiries from developers and agencies.
- Prior Year Fund Balance Carryover: The Proposed Budget anticipates a very small and insignificant prior year carry over from the current fiscal year as end of year projections indicate this also will be the case for FY 22/23.

Operating Expenditure Appropriations: Several of the more noteworthy appropriations are highlighted below:

- Salary and Benefits: This covers all of the Total Appropriations 1 in the Proposed Budget. The budgeted amounts reflect projected salaries, and benefits for FY 22/23, for 5 staff members, in accordance with salary information and benefit and tax cost factors provided by the County. The increase from the current budgeted fiscal year is 4.2%. This increase is primarily reflective of backfilling the vacant analyst position to a full year which was budgeted for FY 21/22 as a partial year only.

- *Memberships*: CALAFCO dues will increase by 4.8% percent and the Proposed Budget assumes a 3% increase in CSDA membership dues.
- *Insurance - Liability/Property*: Liability and property insurance are combined in one policy obtained through the Special District Risk Management Authority (SDRMA). SDRMA has notified all agencies to expect a \$1,356 (8.9%) decrease for FY 22/23 from FY 21/22 budgeted estimates.
- *Computer Equipment/Software*: It is anticipated that there is little change projected for this line item, staff is looking into replacing one of the servers that is utilized for operations and electronic file storage. Both servers are beyond their useful lives, are fully depreciated but still functioning. However, they are approaching storage capacity and unable to be upgraded with additional storage. If a decision is made to replace one of the servers, a supplemental request for a budget adjustment would be brought back at a later date to fund the new server from the Capital Asset Reserve which retains the funds for this asset.
- *Consultants*: There are no consultants budgeted as these services are not contemplated as necessary for FY 22/23. Note that if the tasking for performing the IID Study is adopted, those consulting services will be charged to the special account that will be established for the Grant.
- *County Counsel*: The Proposed Budget assumes continuing services at a similar level as budgeted for the current fiscal year. This includes a small contingency factored in for any unforeseen potential litigation that may arise. The County Counsel hourly charge rates have increased slightly for FY 22/23.
- *Travel/Air Transportation/Lodging*: The Annual CALAFCO Conference will be hosted in Newport Beach in FY 22/23 and the appropriate hotel and other expenses have been included in the travel expenses. The Staff Workshop will be held in Northern California in FY 22/23 and appropriate hotel and other expenses have been included in the travel expenses. Lastly, the Executive Officer is also designated as the CALAFCO Deputy Executive Officer representing the Southern Region. As such, there are some related travel expenses included to support attendance at CALAFCO Board meetings. However, these costs are more than offset by the annual CALAFCO stipend provided to Riverside LAFCO for this duty. A copy of the detailed travel/conference worksheet is attached to the Proposed Budget.
- *Utilities*: Electricity services are not included in the office lease and are paid separately to the City of Riverside Public Utilities

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Department. Electricity services are based on historical monthly averages over a one-year period of time. The Proposed Budget assumes that monthly average, and an estimated 15% increase that may occur due to the rising costs of fuel for power generation.

Reserve Appropriations and Balances:

General Reserve: Commission policy requires the annual General Reserve balance to be maintained at 25% of budget Expenditures, less allocation for Contingency and other Reserves. The Proposed Budget would require a \$242,562 balance based on the policy. However, the current General Reserve balance is \$323,529. Since the reserve is currently overfunded (133%), there is no allocation to this reserve proposed for FY 22/23.

Capital Replacement Reserve: No allocation to this Reserve is budgeted as this reserve is fully funded. Only 2 items are currently carried as Capital Assets requiring reserve funding. They are the two office network servers.

Compensated Absence Reserve: The Compensated Absence Reserve is calculated based on a projection of staff accrued leave balances at the end of the current fiscal year, annual accruals for the next fiscal year, and estimated leave usage through a staff survey to project the end of year leave balance. The current policy as adopted by the Commission requires this reserve to be 75% of the projected end of fiscal year total compensated absences. The current reserve balance is \$31,114 which is overfunded based on the projections for FY 22/23 (132.6%). Therefore, there is no allocation to this reserve budgeted for FY 22/23.

Pension/OPEB Reserve: The Commission established a policy effective for FY 20/21 for establishing a reserve fund and making annual contributions to the reserve for addressing the unfunded pension and OPEB liabilities. A five-year contribution plan was approved, and an annual payment schedule to achieve an 80% funding level was adopted. The auditors calculate these annual liabilities based on factors associated with the County pension and OPEB unfunded liabilities, of which LAFCO are members of the County plans, and then prorates LAFCO's portion for the annual estimated liability.

At the close of FY 21/22, \$275,000 will have been contributed to this reserve. As of June 30, 2020, the Pension liability was \$883,897, and the OPEB liability was \$9,912. As of June 30, 2021, the pension liability was significantly less at \$383,811 and the OPEB liability was significantly greater at \$53,130. Historically, these annual estimates

do fluctuate based on the LAFCO auditors' calculations using the data available each year.

The projected contribution to the reserve FY 22/23 in the five-year plan is another \$150,000. However, staff is recommending that for the Proposed Budget for FY 22/23, that contribution be reduced to \$100,000 for one primary reason:

Due to the minimal projected fund balance carryover for FY 22/23, a reduced projection of fee-based revenues, and operational costs reduced to the best extend practicable, this proposed contribution reduction helps to mitigate what would be a much higher Local Agency Share increase.

Note that with the reduced contribution, at the end of FY 22/23, the reserve will be funded to 85.8% based on the combined \$436,941 FY 20/21 liability total, which is above the 80% policy funding level. Additionally, if the combined liability were to increase for the current fiscal year by 50%, the reserve funding would be funded at 57.2%.

Exemption Finding:

One issue concerning the Proposed Budget is contained in Government Code Section §56381. This Section requires that a fiscal year budget must be equal to or greater than the previous fiscal year, unless the Commission makes findings justifying a reduction. Following is the Section 56381 language-

"56381. (a) The commission shall adopt annually, following noticed public hearings, a proposed budget by May 1 and final budget by June 15. At a minimum, the proposed and final budget shall be equal to the budget adopted for the previous fiscal year unless the commission finds that reduced staffing or program costs will nevertheless allow the commission to fulfill the purposes and programs of this chapter. The commission shall transmit its proposed and final budgets to the board of supervisors, to each city, and to each independent special district."


The Proposed Budget is 8.4% less than the current year budget. As noted previously, this is due primarily to significant reductions in anticipated Consultant requirements, and the recommended reduction in the planned contribution to the Pension/OPEB Unfunded Liability Reserve. Staff believes that these reduced costs provide sufficient justification for making a finding for the exemption, and recommends the Commission approve the exemption finding.

Adoption of the Proposed Budget at the April 28, 2022 Commission is required to meet the statutory May 1, 2022 deadline per statute, and conclude with final action at a noticed Public Hearing at the May 26, 2022 Commission meeting to meet the statutory June 15, 2022 deadline. The Proposed Budget and Final Budget will be distributed to the Board of Supervisors, all cities, and all special districts prior to each public hearing.

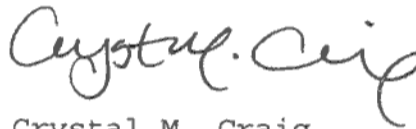
Recommendations:

- 1) Discuss and provide direction to staff on any requested revisions.
- 2) Direct staff to incorporate any requested revisions and present the Final Budget at the May 26, 2022 Commission meeting.
- 3) Approve the recommendation for the exemption findings parameters for a reduced budget per Government Code Section §56381 and return with specific finding language at the May 26, 2022 Commission meeting with the Final Budget.

Sincerely,



Gary Thompson
Executive Officer



Crystal M. Craig
Assistant Executive Officer

Attachment:

- 1) FY 22/23 Proposed Budget

**FISCAL YEAR 2022/23
PROPOSED BUDGET**

Riverside LAFCO Proposed FY 2022/23 Budget

| | | FY 21-22 Adopted Budget | FY 21-22 Projected Year- End | FY 22-23 Proposed Budget | Pct. Difference from FY 21-22 Adopted Budget |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|
| APPROPRIATIONS | | | | | |
| OBJ: | Description | | | | |
| 510040 | Regular Salaries | \$464,913 | \$415,951 | \$483,277 | 3.9% |
| 510200 | Payoff Permanent - Seasonal | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | 0.0% |
| 510440 | Leave Buydown/Payout | \$4,914 | \$3,758 | \$5,112 | 4.0% |
| 517000 | Workers Comp | \$7,111 | \$7,111 | \$6,935 | -2.5% |
| 513000 | Retirement-Misc. | \$142,050 | \$127,089 | \$156,456 | 10.1% |
| 513020 | Retirement-Misc Temp | \$685 | \$681 | \$685 | 0.0% |
| 513120 | Social Security | \$26,828 | \$24,053 | \$28,227 | 5.2% |
| 513140 | Medicare | \$6,741 | \$6,031 | \$7,008 | 4.0% |
| 515040 | Flex Benefit Plan | \$51,058 | \$38,276 | \$46,643 | -8.6% |
| 515100 | Life Insurance | \$443 | \$401 | \$458 | 3.4% |
| 515120 | Long Term Disability | \$2,808 | \$2,512 | \$2,919 | 4.0% |
| 515160 | Optical Insurance | \$969 | \$877 | \$1,061 | 9.5% |
| 515200 | Retiree Health Ins | \$1,164 | \$0 | \$0 | -100.0% |
| 515260 | Unemployment Insurance | \$1,018 | \$911 | \$1,121 | 10.1% |
| 518010 | Def Comp Ben Mgmt & Conf | \$6,300 | \$5,450 | \$6,500 | 3.2% |
| 518020 | Flexible Spending Account Fees | \$96 | \$96 | \$48 | -50.0% |
| 518180 | Other Post Employment Benefits | \$3,543 | \$4,189 | \$4,189 | 18.2% |
| | Total Appropriation 1 | \$720,641 | \$637,386 | \$750,639 | 4.2% |
| 520330 | Communication Svcs | \$3,362 | \$4,970 | \$4,075 | 21.2% |
| 520930 | Insurance- Liability/Property | \$15,249 | \$11,426 | \$13,893 | -8.9% |
| 521360 | Maint-Computer Equip | \$12,690 | \$12,140 | \$12,690 | 0.0% |
| 523100 | Memberships | \$12,452 | \$12,507 | \$13,040 | 4.7% |
| 523230 | Misc Agency Exp | \$500 | \$1,032 | \$500 | 0.0% |
| 523240 | Non County Agency Exp | \$450 | \$350 | \$500 | 11.1% |
| 523250 | Refunds | \$0 | \$520 | \$0 | 0.0% |
| 523620 | Books/Publications | \$240 | \$150 | \$150 | -37.5% |
| 523680 | Office Equip/Furn | \$150 | \$50 | \$150 | 0.0% |
| 523700 | Office Supplies | \$1,500 | \$800 | \$1,500 | 0.0% |
| 523760 | Postage/Mailings | \$3,936 | \$4,963 | \$4,808 | 22.2% |
| 523840 | Computer Equip-Software | \$4,312 | \$3,814 | \$4,315 | 0.1% |
| 524560 | ACO Payroll Services | \$851 | \$734 | \$832 | -2.2% |
| 524570 | Auditing/Accounting | \$7,600 | \$7,600 | \$7,750 | 2.0% |
| 524660 | Consultants | \$83,000 | \$89,500 | \$0 | -100.0% |
| 524700 | County Counsel Legal Services | \$35,000 | \$27,024 | \$35,000 | 0.0% |
| 525020 | Legal Svcs | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | 0.0% |
| 525120 | Micrographic Svcs | \$728 | \$3,715 | \$728 | 0.0% |
| 525140 | Personnel Svcs | \$7,176 | \$6,920 | \$6,042 | -15.8% |
| 525340 | Temp Help Svcs | \$100 | \$8,521 | \$100 | 0.0% |
| 525600 | Security | \$516 | \$516 | \$660 | 27.9% |
| 525820 | RCIT Pass-Thru Support | \$4,872 | \$4,524 | \$5,187 | 6.5% |
| 526410 | Legally Required Notices | \$10,798 | \$5,254 | \$9,244 | -14.4% |
| 526520 | Rent/Lease-Copiers | \$2,954 | \$2,813 | \$3,014 | 2.0% |
| 526700 | Rent/Lease-Bldgs | \$47,805 | \$47,838 | \$49,246 | 3.0% |
| 526720 | Rent/Lease Storage | \$2,028 | \$2,028 | \$2,148 | 5.9% |
| 527880 | Training-Other | \$120 | \$0 | \$240 | 100.0% |
| 528120 | Commission Exp | \$13,075 | \$9,795 | \$13,195 | 0.9% |
| 528140 | Conf Reg Fees | \$3,695 | \$525 | \$5,240 | 41.8% |
| 528900 | Air Transportation | \$800 | \$228 | \$1,200 | 50.0% |
| 528960 | Lodging | \$7,220 | \$352 | \$6,490 | -10.1% |
| 528980 | Meals | \$640 | \$0 | \$840 | 31.3% |
| 529000 | Misc Travel Exp | \$747 | \$25 | \$834 | 11.6% |
| 529010 | Parking Validation | \$200 | \$200 | \$400 | 100.0% |
| 529040 | Mileage | \$10,826 | \$8,375 | \$10,869 | 0.4% |
| 529080 | Rental Vehicles | \$0 | \$0 | \$875 | 874990.0% |
| 529540 | Utilities | \$3,400 | \$3,350 | \$3,853 | 13.3% |
| | Total Appropriation 2 | \$298,992 | \$282,559 | \$219,608 | -26.6% |

Riverside LAFCO Proposed FY 2022/23 Budget

| | | FY 21-22 Adopted Budget | FY 21-22 Projected Year- End | FY 22-23 Proposed Budget | Pct. Difference from FY 21-22 Adopted Budget |
|--------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|
| 581000 | Appropriation for Contingency | \$20,393 | \$0 | \$19,405 | -4.8% |
| 330110 | General Reserve (Unrestricted) | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | 0.0% |
| 330100 | Capital Replacement/Comm. Fund Bal. | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | 0.0% |
| 330158 | Reserve-CFB - Compensated Absences Liab. | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | 0.0% |
| 380100 | Reserve- Unfunded Pension/OPEB Liab. | \$150,000 | \$150,000 | \$100,000 | -33.3% |
| | TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS/EXPENDITURES | \$1,190,026 | \$1,069,945 | \$1,089,652 | -8.4% |
| | REVENUE: | | | | |
| 740020 | Interest | \$3,000 | \$1,700 | \$1,500 | -50.0% |
| 777520 | Fee Revenue | \$130,940 | \$75,462 | \$73,950 | -43.5% |
| | Prior Year Fund Balance Carryover Excluding Reserves | \$135,033 | \$86,737 | \$15,006 | -88.9% |
| | Trans from General Reserve | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | 0.0% |
| | Trans from Capital Reserve | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | 0.0% |
| | Trans from Comp Abs Reserve | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | 0.0% |
| | Trans from Pension/OPEB Reserve | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | 0.0% |
| 781560 | Local Agency Share | \$921,052 | \$921,052 | \$999,196 | 8.5% |
| | TOTAL REVENUES/TRANSFERS | \$1,190,025 | \$1,084,951 | \$1,089,652 | -8.4% |
| | OPERATING SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) | -\$1 | \$15,006 | \$0 | -100.0% |
| | RESERVE BALANCES: | | | | |
| 330110 | General Reserve/Economic Uncertainty | \$323,529 | \$323,529 | \$323,529 | 0.0% |
| 330100 | Capital Replacement Reserve | \$18,458 | \$18,458 | \$18,458 | 0.0% |
| 330158 | Compensated Absences Liability Reserve | \$31,114 | \$31,114 | \$31,114 | 0.0% |
| 380110 | Unfunded Pension/OPEB Liability Reserve | \$275,000 | \$275,000 | \$375,000 | 36.4% |
| | TOTAL RESERVE BALANCE | \$648,101 | \$648,101 | \$748,101 | 15.4% |
| | Budget Notes- | | | | |
| | 1) General Reserve is 25% of Operating Expenditures net of appropriations for Reserves and Contingency per Policy. Currently overfunded by 33% | | | | |
| | 2) Capital Replacement Reserve is currently fully funded per Policy. | | | | |
| | 3) Compensated Absence Reserve is fully funded per Policy | | | | |
| | 4) Unfunded Pension/OPEB Liability Reserve is funded annually based on the funding plan as adopted by the Commission. | | | | |
| | 5) Prior year fund balance carryover is applied as a revenue for budgetary purposes for utilization of operating expenditures and/or reserve allocations. | | | | |

Proposed Budget FY 2022-23
Travel/Committee Detail

| Object | Attendees | No. Events | No. Nights | Reg Fee | Training | Total Reg | Com. Exp. | Air Trans | Car Rental | Mileage | Lodging | Misc. | Meals | Totals |
|---------------------------------------------------|-----------|------------|------------|---------|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|---------|---------|--------|--------|----------|
| | | | | | 527880 | 528140 | 528120 | 528900 | 529080 | 529040 | 528960 | 529000 | 528980 | |
| Conference- So Cal (Newport Beach) (Oct 19/21 22) | 6 | 1 | 3 | \$570 | \$0 | \$3,420 | \$525 | \$0 | \$0 | \$293 | \$4,320 | \$234 | \$360 | \$9,152 |
| Staff Workshop-(TBD- NorCal) (Mar 23 TBD) | 4 | 1 | 3 | \$375 | \$0 | \$1,500 | \$0 | \$0 | \$875 | \$0 | \$1,920 | \$0 | \$240 | \$4,535 |
| CALAFCO Legislative Cmte | 1 | 4 | 2 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$600 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$260 | \$0 | \$860 |
| Admin Review Cmte | 3 | 3 | 0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$540 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$540 |
| Legislative Cmte | 2 | 2 | 0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$240 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$240 |
| League of Cities-Local | 1 | 3 | 0 | \$40 | \$0 | \$120 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$176 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$296 |
| ESRI Conference (San Diego) | 1 | 1 | 5 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| CSDA Clerk Conference (Monterey) (Nov 7-9/22) | 0 | 0 | 0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Misc | 2 | 2 | 0 | \$50 | \$0 | \$200 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$527 | \$0 | \$0 | \$80 | \$807 |
| SC User Groups | 0 | 0 | 0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| So Reg Board Meetings | 4 | 2 | 0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$240 | \$0 | \$0 | \$351 | \$0 | \$80 | \$100 | \$771 |
| CALAFCO Board Meeting | 1 | 4 | 2 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$600 | \$0 | \$0 | \$250 | \$260 | \$60 | \$1,170 |
| CALAFCO University | 2 | 2 | 0 | \$60 | \$240 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$117 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$357 |
| TOTAL | | | | | \$240 | \$5,240 | \$1,545 | \$1,200 | \$875 | \$1,463 | \$6,490 | \$834 | \$840 | \$18,727 |



PUBLIC NOTICE

MEETING OF THE RIVERSIDE
LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION
Thursday, April 28, 2022
8:30 a.m.

AGENDA

This meeting will be held via teleconference and in-person in the Board of Supervisors Meeting Room, County Administrative Center, 1st Floor, 4080 Lemon Street, Riverside, California. If members of the public would like to participate in the meeting please fill out the Request to Speak Form by the start of the meeting and you will receive instructions on how to participate via teleconference. You may also use the following link to access the form: <https://forms.rivco.org/ConstituentSpeakingRequest.aspx#gsc.tab=0>.

Comments can be submitted via email to info@lafco.org. All written comments submitted 5:00 p.m. the day before the Commission meeting will be forwarded to the Commission for their consideration.

The meeting will be live streamed on Frontier Fios Ch. 36, AT&T U-Verse Ch. 99 throughout Riverside County or online at rivcotv.org.

- 1.1 CALL TO ORDER AND SALUTE TO THE FLAG.
- 1.2. ROLL CALL.
- 1.3. ANNOUNCEMENT CONCERNING CONTRIBUTIONS TO COMMISSION MEMBERS.
2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:
 - a. March 24, 2022
 - b. April 20, 2022 (Special Meeting)
3. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ANY ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA.
4. CONSENT CALENDAR (NON-HEARING ITEMS):
 - a. LAFCO Monthly Expenditure Review.
5. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Continued: There are no continued public hearing items.

New:

 - a. Fiscal Year 2022/23 Proposed Budget.

6. OTHER BUSINESS:

- a. Status Regarding the Draft Agreement - "State Water Resource Control Board - Governance and Electricity Service Study - Imperial Irrigation District".
- b. Renewing the Emergency Declaration pursuant to Resolution No. 01-22 Authorizing Virtual Commission Meetings for Thirty Days Pursuant to the Ralph M. Brown Act and establishing findings that state officials continue to impose or recommend measures to promote social distancing, justifying the ongoing need for virtual meetings. (Oral Report) (Link to Resolution 01-22)

7. INFORMATION ITEMS: No action to be taken by the Commission.

- a. Proposals Received and/or LAFCO Initiated (Government Code Sections 56751 and 56857):

There are no new proposals received.

- b. Report on Conducting Authority Proceedings:

There is no Conducting Authority Proceedings report.

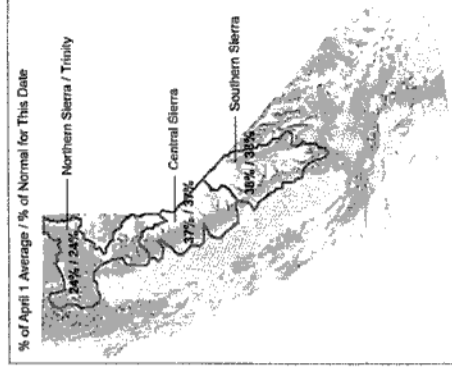
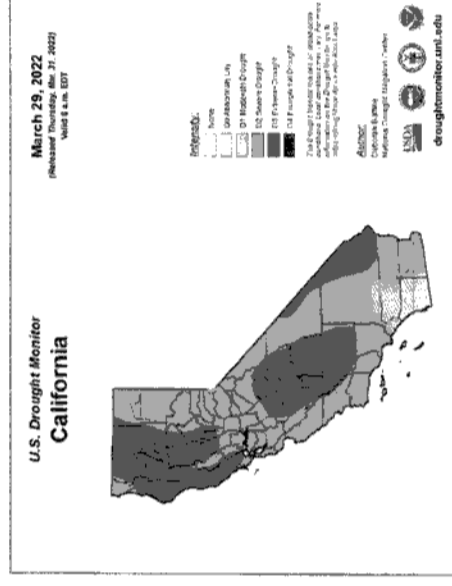
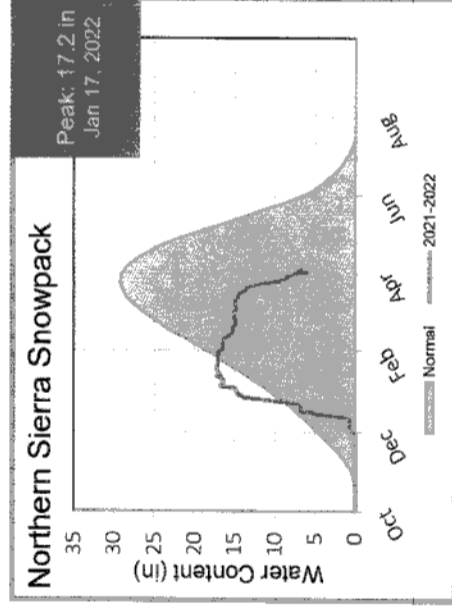
8. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE AND POTENTIAL POSITIONS.**9. EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS.****10. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS/FUTURE ITEMS.****11. ADJOURNMENT.**

NOTICES: Anyone present at the hearing who is involved with any change of organization to be considered and who has made a contribution of more than \$250 in the past twelve (12) months to any member of the Commission will be asked to state for the record the Commission member to whom the contribution was made and the matter of consideration with which they are involved.

Non-exempt materials related to an item on this agenda submitted to the Commission after distribution of the agenda packet are available for public inspection at the LAFCO Office, 6216 Brockton Avenue, Suite 111-B, Riverside, CA 92506 during normal business hours.

If special accommodations are needed to participate in this meeting, please contact Elizabeth Valdez, Commission Clerk, at (951) 369-0631 during regular business hours. Staff reports are available on our website at: www.lafco.org.

Ongoing Drought Conditions



- Statewide snowpack average at 33% as of April 4, 2022
- January & February were the driest consecutive months on record
- Southwest mega drought most severe in 1,200 years
- More than 93% of California is in severe drought or worse

Executive Order N-7-22



- Signed on March 28, 2022
- Directs the State Water Board to do the following:
 - Require water suppliers to enact a WSCP level to achieve a 20% water use reduction (Level 2)
 - Define “non-functional turf” and consider banning irrigation of non-functional turf for CII customers
 - Determine implementation dates by May 25, 2022
 - Encourage 30% WSCP reductions (Level 3) should the drought go beyond this year



Impact on Rancho Water Customers



Implement Stage 3c of the WSCP

- Agricultural and Commercial
 - Tier 2 (inefficient tier) is eliminated
- Residential, Multi-Family and Landscape
 - Tier 3 (inefficient tier) is eliminated

Efficient water budgets are not impacted

| Rancho Water WSCP Shortage Stage | CMC Standard Shortage Stage | Percentage Shortage Reduction | Water Budget Reduction (Percent) by Customer Type* | | District / Language |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| | | | Residential, Single-Family, Multi-Family | Agricultural, Agricultural/Residential, CA | |
| 1 - Water Supply Watch | - | - | None | None | None |
| 2 - Water Supply Alert | - | - | None | None | None |
| Water Supply Warning - Mandatory Water Reduction | | | | | |
| 3a - No Budget Reductions | - | - | None | None | None |
| 3b - Tier 2 and Tier 3 Budget Reductions | 1 | ≥ 10 percent | Tier 3 - 50 percent | Tier 2 - 50 percent | Tier 3 - 50 percent |
| 3c - Tier 2 and Tier 3 Budget Reductions | 2 | ≥ 20 percent | Tier 3 - 100 percent | Tier 2 - 100 percent | Tier 3 - 100 percent |
| Extreme Water Supply Warning - Mandatory Water Reduction | | | | | |
| 4a - Tier 1 and Tier 2 Budget Reductions | 3 | ≥ 30 percent | Tier 2 - 10-49 percent | Tier 1 - 10 percent | Tier 2 - 10-49 percent |
| 4b - Tier 1 and Tier 2 Budget Reductions | 4 | ≥ 40 percent | Tier 2 - 50-99 percent | Tier 1 - 10 percent | Tier 2 - 50-100 percent |
| 4c - Tier 1 and Tier 2 Budget Reductions | 4 | ≥ 40 percent | Tier 2 - 100 percent | Tier 1 - 45 percent | Tier 3 - 100 percent |
| Water Supply Emergency - Mandatory Cutdown and Inflow Reduction | | | | | |
| 5a - Tier 1 Budget Reductions | 5 | ≥ 50 percent | Tier 1 - 10 percent | Tier 1 - 55 percent | Tier 1 - 100 percent |
| 5b - Tier 1 Budget Reductions | 5 | ≥ 50 percent | Tier 1 - 10 percent | Tier 1 - 60 percent | Tier 1 - 100 percent |
| 5c - Tier 1 Budget Reductions | 6 | > 50 percent | Tier 1 - 50 percent | Tier 1 - 70 percent | Tier 1 - 100 percent |

Looking Ahead



- Monitor the State Water Board's progress and actions
- Determine water demand and financial impacts
- Begin working on outreach planning
- Identify CII non-functional turf customers
- Continue to keep the Board updated

GENERAL INFORMATION

Subject **Your April Take Action Brief and Southern Network Updates are Here!**
From Chris Palmer <chrisp@csla.net>
To <manager@teamrcd.org>
Reply-To <chrisp@csla.net>
Date 2022-04-13 12:56



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Districts Stronger Together



A MESSAGE FROM YOUR PUBLIC AFFAIRS FIELD COORDINATOR



April Take Action Brief

Policy committees in the State Legislature are in full-swing this month leading up to next month's deadlines to refer bills to fiscal committees. Similarly, budget sub-committees are working their way through budget items in advance of next month's May Revise to the Governor's State Budget proposal. As the voice of special districts in the Capitol, CSDA is focused on climate, housing, infrastructure, workforce development, and cybersecurity issues, which will be key topics of discussion at the May 17-18 Special Districts Legislative Days in Sacramento.

This month's Take Action Brief includes:

- Initiative to Limit Ability of Voters and Local Governments Faces April 29 Deadline
- How Much Would Information Privacy Bill Impact Your District?
- Top Cybersecurity Agency Issues Warnings Concerning Threats
- California Launches Updated Climate Adaptation Strategy
- California Insurance Commissioner Ricardo Lara Announced as Keynote

[Read the April Take Action Brief](#)

Register **RIGHT NOW** to Save **\$75** on Special District Legislative Days

May 17 – 18, 2022

Sheraton Grand Hotel

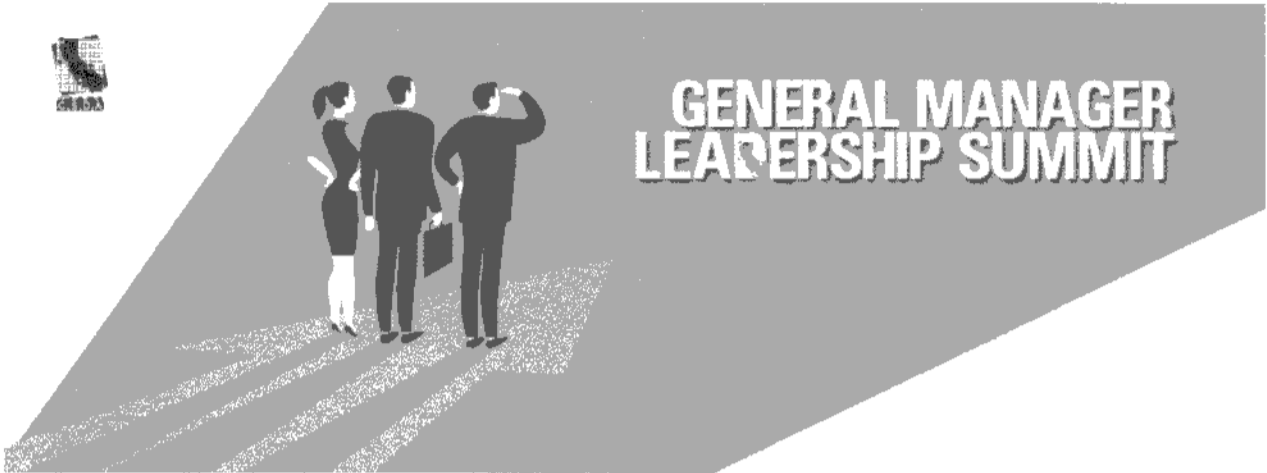
1230 J. Street, Sacramento, CA 95814

Members only pay \$275, if register by April 15

Subject **Be Inspired. Be Challenged. Be Energized.**
From Neil McCormick <neilm@csda.net>
To <manager@teamrcd.org>
Reply-To <meganh@csda.net>
Date 2022-04-14 11:19



Be at the General Manager Leadership Summit



"The GM Leadership Summit is a valuable resource to the Special District world. What a great environment to get valuable training, network with current and future General Managers, share knowledge and solutions to problems, and be inspired about all the wonderful ways we are contributing to our communities!"

~ Alberto Preciado, Citrus Heights Water District

Register Now and Save!

**Coronado Island Marriott Resort & Spa
June 19-21**

Early Bird Registration Available until May 20

Don't miss out on the best learning opportunity for special district general managers,
management staff and all other emerging leaders

[Register Here](#)

BE INSPIRED

Leading a Peak Performance Culture

Dave Mitchell
The Leadership Difference

Hello, California RCD Agencies -

CSDA is requesting urgent feedback related to legislation that could significantly benefit resource conse

AB 1776 (Gallagher) Resource Conservation Districts: California Prompt Payment Act

Existing law generally provides that a state agency that acquires property or services pursuant to a contract with a public entity but fails to make payment to the person or business on the date required by the contract, shall be liable for a late payment penalty. This bill would include resource conservation districts within the list of entities eligible for a late payment penalty.

The Assembly Appropriations Committee has asked CSDA for input related to the following questions. Your input can offer will promote an accurate review and understanding of this important bill:

1. How frequently does your RCD typically carry out projects funded by the State of California?
1. What is the average value of that funding per project?
1. How often is the State of California late in making payments associated with projects that it funds?
1. When the State is late in making payments, on average, how late are those payments (in terms of days)?
1. Any other comments or feedback related to this legislation?

Thank you!

Cole R. Querry
Legislative Analyst

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Subject **CSDA eNews 4/19/22: Submit Award Nominations by May 2 🏆**
Special Districts Week May 15-21!
From Neil McCormick <neilm@csda.net>
To <manager@teamrcd.org>
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Virtual Workshop: Financial Management for Special Districts

Wednesday and Thursday, April 27 and 28, 2022

9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. each day:

\$100 SDRMA Members | \$175 CSDA Members | \$260 Non-members

[Register for Event](#)

CSDA WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

April 19, 2022



Submit Award Nominations - Deadline May 2

Is this your year to win a CSDA or Beacon Award?

🏆 Showcase your accomplishments and submit award nominations online by Monday, May 2, 2022. [LEARN MORE & SUBMIT NOMINATIONS](#)

Need some tips on your awards nomination? Watch our free on-demand webinar "Tips and Tricks for CSDA Annual Awards" for a quick overview of our awards, the application process, and the ILG Beacon program and awards. [WATCH WEBINAR](#)

For questions, contact CSDA Communications Specialist Vanessa Gonzales at awards@csda.net.



Disaster Strikes: The Importance of Incident Command

It could be a day just like any other day. Then the world around you can change forever. From natural disasters (such as wildfires, earthquakes, tornadoes, and hurricanes) to human-caused disasters (such as terrorism, active shooters, hazardous materials spills) disasters will happen. Knowing the risks, planning for the risks, and understanding actions to perform when they do happen can be critical for your safety and safety of

your personnel, your business, and your customers. [READ MORE](#)



Will You Be Joining Us in Coronado for GM Summit?

June 19 - 21, 2022

Your job as a general manager or emerging leader of a special district demands you stay current on governance best practices, state laws, human resources, operations, and more! The General Manager Leadership Summit is a way for you to come together with other special district leaders from throughout the state to network and learn more about your specific job responsibilities and emerging trends. Return to your district after two days of specialized training and education, ready to take your board relationship, staff, and district to the next level. Check out our brochure for a full schedule and info on breakout sessions, keynote speakers, receptions, and more! Act now to save \$50 on your registration. [REGISTER HERE](#)

TAKE ACTION

NSDC Supports Legislation to Build Fire Stations and Replace Lead Pipes

The National Special Districts Coalition (NSDC), of which CSDA is a founding member, is actively supporting federal legislation that would fund fire station construction and help finance the replacement of lead-contaminated water service lines. NSDC supports bipartisan legislation that would authorize \$1 billion for fire and EMS station construction and enhancement. Congressman Bill Pascrell, D-N.J. sponsors H.R. 3728, the Fire Station Construction Grants Act, which would establish the "Assistance to Firefighters Fire Station Construction Grant" under the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). Grant funding would cover the building, rebuilding, or renovation of fire and emergency medical services (EMS) facilities and stations.

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MEMBER RESOURCES

GIS Services for Your Agency with CSDA Endorsed Affiliate, California CAD Solutions

California CAD Solutions, Inc. has been in the Automated Mapping, Facilities Management, and Geographic Information Systems industry since 1987. California CAD Solutions, in partnership with CSDA, offers "DashGIS", a cost-effective solution for special districts that need a GIS but don't have or can't afford to hire dedicated GIS staff. Based on a monthly subscription, DashGIS allows special districts to leverage important data to meet the needs of the district without the expense of special software and employees. CSDA members receive one month free with their initial 12-month term. Check them out under Digital Mapping Solutions found on our [Endorsed Affiliates](#) page.

[Ask Questions](#)

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Webinar: Addressing Cybersecurity Risks

*Tuesday, April 26
10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Free CSDA Member*

No organization is safe from digital privacy and security risks. Join this webinar presentation with Best Best & Krieger LLP Privacy & Cybersecurity attorneys Leeann Habte and Christina Morgan who will discuss ways special districts can keep their information and personnel safe. They will address current cybersecurity risks, like phishing, device loss or theft and prevention strategies, and organizational risk and insurance and business continuity strategies. They will also advise on security incident response plans: what to include and why, and the importance of having the plan in place before an incident incurs.

[Register Here](#)



CSDA's Movers and Shakers: Ivan Monroy

Valley Sanitary District's Ivan Monroy, an operations team member, was selected by the California Water Environment Association (CWEA) and its Colorado River Basin Section for exceptional work in 2021. He was named the P3S (Pretreatment, Pollution Prevention, and Stormwater) Person of the Year. Monroy, an Environmental Compliance Inspector II, has been with the district for three years.

HAVE MOVERS & SHAKERS TO RECOGNIZE?


Send to CSDA Communications Specialist Vanessa Gonzales at vanessag@csda.net for considering in this section, on social media, and in the California Special Districts magazine.



Sonoma County Special Districts Association

CSDA Announces Sonoma Chapter Affiliation!

On April 8, the CSDA Board of Directors voted unanimously to approve an affiliation agreement with the Sonoma County Special Districts Association (SCSDA). SCSDA was established by district representatives who came together starting in 2021 to discuss the benefits of forming a local chapter. The purpose of the chapter will be to provide a space for networking with fellow districts and local leaders, a forum to discuss state and regional issues, and a setting to foster governance best practices. [READ MORE](#)




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FEDERAL GRANTS UPDATE

Grants From Our Partnership With the National Special Districts Coalition (NSDC)

Highlight from the Department of Justice:

FY 2022 Build to Scale Program

This program funds technology-based economic development initiatives that accelerate high-quality job growth, create more economic opportunities, and support the next generation of industry leading companies. The program is comprised of two competitions—the Venture Challenge and the Capital Challenge.

FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Weekly Updates from the National Special Districts Coalition (NSDC)

The full NSDC Legislative Update is available on our [Advocacy News blog](#).

The House and Senate remain in recess until the week of April 25. When Congress returns, Congressional Democratic leadership is interested in reviving President Joe Biden's social spending package, the Build Back Better (BBB) Act. The House passed its roughly \$2 trillion version of the BBB Act (HR 5376) last November before Sen. Joe Manchin (D-WV)

Deadline: June 13, 2022

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ended any prospects of it passing in the upper chamber by saying he would not vote for the bill.

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SDLF

Get Your Fill of Education!

SDLF wants to help you get registered for the 2022 General Manager Leadership Summit! Thanks to a generous grant from Five Star Bank, the [Emerging Leaders Scholarship](#) covers registration to the 2022 General Managers Leadership Summit for those currently in a supervisor position or higher – but not yet a general manager and is now open to the state. For general managers who would like to attend, we have a scholarship for you too! Check out the [2022 Education Allowance Scholarship](#).

[Learn More](#)

CAREER CENTER

Check out the most recent job postings in CSDA's [Career Center](#).

[Member Services Specialist – Retention/Outreach](#) - California Special Districts Association

[Plant Attendant \(Wastewater\)](#) – Napa Sanitation District

[General Manager/Chief Executive Officer](#) – East Valley Water District

[Chief of Engineering](#) – Otay Water District

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RFP CLEARINGHOUSE

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RFP – Audit Services

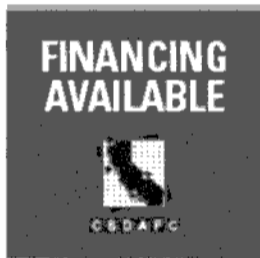
RFP – Chemical Contracts

RFP – Plant Improvement Project

RFP – Pipe Bridge Replacement

RFP – Grant Writing Services

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Subject **CSDA eNews 4/26/22: CalPERS Takes Vote on Adoption of Limited Duration Employment Regulation for Retired Persons**
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**Virtual Workshop:
SDLA Module 4: Board's Role in Human Resources**

[Register for Event](#)

Wednesday and Thursday, May 4 and 5, 2022

9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. each day:

\$175 CSDA Members | \$260 Non-members

CSDA WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

April 26, 2022



CalPERS Takes Vote on Adoption of Limited Duration Employment Regulation for Retired Persons

On Monday, April 18, 2022, the Pension and Health Benefits Committee of the CalPERS Board of Administration voted to move forward with adoption of a regulation governing limited duration employment of retired persons, for purposes of clarifying Government Code sections 7522.56, 21224, and 21229. A copy of the draft regulation may be found [here](#). [READ MORE](#)



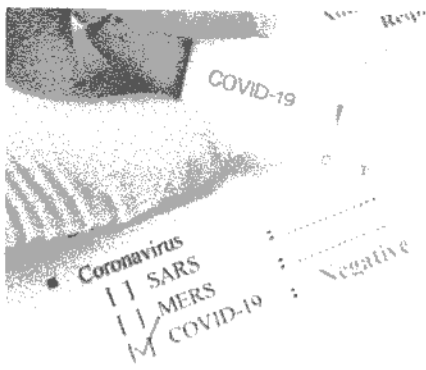
**Special Districts
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[#specialdistrictsweek](#)

Your Special Districts Week Toolkit is Here!

Join CSDA May 15-21 in celebrating Special Districts Week. We have quick links to images to download for use in your social media, samples of newsletter articles and press releases, a support letter for the resolution, a sample resolution to pass at your next board meeting, and the link to Assembly Concurrent Resolution 160 declaring Special Districts Week for 2022. [View the webpage today to get a jump on your #SpecialDistrictsWeek planning. \[View The Webpage\]\(#\)](#)



Cal/OSHA Votes to Re-Adopt Its Modified COVID-19 Emergency Temporary Standards

On Thursday, April 21, 2022, the Cal/OSHA Occupational Safety and Health Standards Board held its monthly meeting at which it voted to re-adopt its workplace COVID-19 Emergency Temporary Standards (ETS), as modified. The ETS is anticipated to be in place from no later than early May (the current ETS is set to expire on May 6) through December 31, 2022. [READ MORE](#)

TAKE ACTION

SB 931 (Leyva) Labor Relations – What You Need to Know

CSDA has joined a coalition of public agency employers with an Oppose Unless Amended position on Senate Bill 931 (Leyva). Under existing law, Government Code section 3550 provides: A public employer shall not deter or discourage public employees or applicants to be public employees from becoming or remaining members of an employee organization, or from authorizing representation by an employee organization, or from authorizing dues or fee deductions to an employee organization. SB 931 would give standing to an employee organization that is subject to the jurisdiction of the Public Employment Relations Board (PERB) to bring a claim before the board alleging that a public employer violated Section 3550.

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MEMBER RESOURCES

Latest Sample Policy Handbook Updates Now Available

Current subscribers to the CSDA Sample Policy Handbook can now view the most recent updates from our Business Affiliate members [Colantuono Highsmith & Whatley, PC](#). The firm has provided updates on 2115 Credit Card Use, 2120 Employment of Outside Contractors and Consultants, 2130 Investment of District Funds, 2145 Records Retention, 2155 Debt Management, 2160 Internal Controls, 2205 District Electronic Resources, 2405 Press Relations, 2415 Social Media, 2420 Web Page, and 2425 California Public Records Act Response. Purchase of the handbook, delivered on a USB drive in an editable format, includes an annual subscription to quarterly updates. Visit CSDA's online [Bookstore](#) for purchase information.

[Ask Questions](#)

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Webinar: Winning Federal Grants: Steps to Success

Tuesday, May 3, 2022
10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Free CSDA Member

Grant experts at the Ferguson Group LLC (TFG) will provide an introduction into the federal grants landscape, help participants understand how to take a project from conception to submission and cover everything in between. The extensive workshop will cover everything from grant fundamentals including administration, identification, and writing, to a deep dive into how to prepare projects for funding, improve past applications, and engage project partners. TFG professionals have decades of grant experience and have helped clients secure \$1 billion in competitive federal, state, and foundation funding since 2010.

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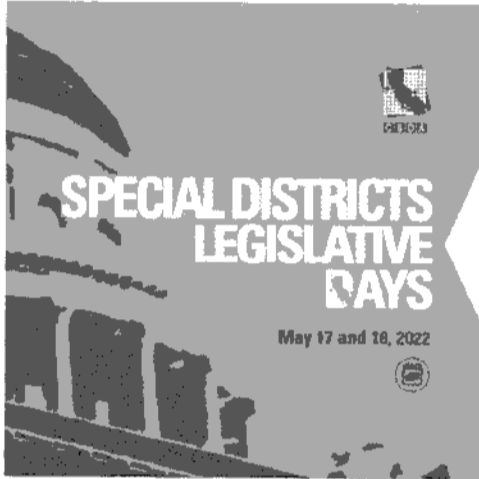


Gregory Reed

West Paris, Ohio Mayor Gregory Reed will be the new general manager of the District. Bringing more than 30 years of public service and executive leadership in the water industry, Reed will support West Paris in achieving its water resiliency goals.

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There's Still Time to Register for the Special Districts Legislative Days Conference!

May 17 – 18, 2022, Sacramento

Special Districts Legislative Days is the only opportunity for all types of special districts, large and small, north and south, rural and urban to come together with one unified voice. Don't miss this chance to hear from California's top decision-makers, build partnerships and strengthen the voice of local control. Check out all the details for this year's conference including schedule and breakout session topics. [REGISTER HERE!](#)

FEDERAL GRANTS UPDATE

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Highlight from the Department of Justice:

FY 2022 Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant, and Substance Abuse Site-Based Program
This program supplies funding to develop, implement, or expand comprehensive programs in response to the overdose crisis and impacts of illicit opioids, stimulants, or other substances.

Deadline: June 17, 2022

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The House and Senate are both back in session this week following their two-week spring recess. The House will vote on 28 bills under suspension of the rules, including the Small Business Development Centers Improvement Act of 2022 (H.R. 6445), which reauthorizes the SBA's Small Business Development Center (SBDC) program through Fiscal Year (FY) 2025.

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In the Works: Over \$60MM in Special District Financing

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CSC & Alliance Corporation consultants are working diligently to close bondings totaling over \$60 million. These include funding for water and sewer system improvements, building construction, real estate acquisitions, heavy equipment purchases, and more. Even with interest rates on the rise, special districts are finding low-cost, competitive financing solutions through the CSDA Finance Corporation. Would you like to talk to our consultants about your district's financing needs? *Don't miss our "Ask the Experts" webinar on May 10. REGISTER HERE!*



Virtual Workshop: Overview of Special District Laws

May 10, 11, and 12

10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. each day

\$175 CSDA member

Day One: Board Governance – Brown Act, Ethics
Day Two: Elections, Nominations, and the CVRA
Day Three: Transparency – CSDA, CDA Website, Requirements, and Audits

[REGISTER HERE!](#)

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Virtual Workshop: Overview of Special District Laws

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, May 10-11-12

10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. each day:

\$175 CSDA Members | \$260 Non-members

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CSDA WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

May 3, 2022



Assembly Bill 1651 (Kalra) Pulled from Committee Hearing Following Quick Advocacy Efforts.

Through fast action by CSDA and its coalition partners, a problematic workplace data bill was quickly defeated.

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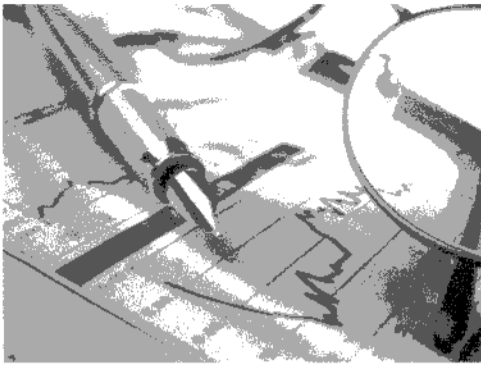
Say Hello to Pamela Barnum, Keynote Speaker at This Year's GM Leadership Summit!

June 19 – 21, 2022

Coronado Marriott Resort & Spa
Coronado, CA

Former undercover cop and federal prosecutor Pamela Barnum knows the secret to crack the code on trust. She will share her insider techniques for leaders, including how to accurately assess non-verbal communication, how to behave in a way that inspires confidence in others, and so much more.

[MORE INFORMATION](#)



The Great GASB: What, When, and Who Can Help

CSDA has teamed up with Actuarial Retirement Consulting (ARC) to provide a variety of actuarial services at discounted rates to CSDA members.

For a GASB checkup, Valuation Reports and Actuarial Consulting services, [CLICK HERE](#).

SPOTLIGHT

Fulton El Camino Recreation & Park District:

Working with Settled Afghan Refugees to Prepare for Incoming Ukrainians.

"The Arden Arcade area has a long history of being a very welcoming community to people from around the globe, who've had to have a new start in life," Assemblyman Ken Cooley said. "That was true 20 years ago, and remains very true today."

"One of the most beautiful things I see is when I come to the park in the evening and the families are gathered here, children are playing – so happy and so blossoming," said refugee Ram Khatiwoda, now with the International Rescue Committee. "Together we're growing this community and we have a vision for the future."

Enjoy this inspiring video about their efforts.

[Watch Video](#)

MEMBER RESOURCES

Look What's Happening in Communities Recent Topics --

- How do you present meeting agendas to your directors?
- Help with job descriptions and salary ranges
- Competitive bidding processes
- Mountain bike trails on district lands

From the day-to-day operations to more obscure topics, these are just a few of the discussions taking place on CSDA Communities.

What's keeping YOU up at night?

Log in and ask your peers – perhaps they've already conquered your challenge!

[Communities](#)

LEARN

Webinar: Latest Trends in Municipal Financing

Tuesday, May 10, 2022
1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

*Free CSDA Member
\$95 Non-member*

From energy project financing to short-term bridge loans, pension obligation bonds and more, special districts have a myriad of financing options to meet their specific needs.

Consultants from CSDA Finance Corporation share their expertise in a discussion of the latest in financing trends, changes in the market, and what it all means to your district.

Plenty of time will be allowed for Q&A.

Bring your questions!

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2022 CSDA Annual Conference & Exhibitor Showcase

The Leadership Conference for Special Districts

August 22 – 25, 2022

JW Marriott Desert Springs Resort & Spa,
Palm Desert, California



Come join your flock... Register Today!

FEDERAL GRANTS UPDATE

Grants From Our Partnership With the National Special Districts Coalition (NSDC)

Highlight from the Department of Agriculture:

FY 2022 Community Facilities Technical Assistance and Training Grant

The purpose of this program is to support eligible entities in providing technical assistance and/or training with respect to essential community facilities programs. Provided technical assistance and/or training will help eligible ultimate recipients to identify and plan for community facility needs that exist in their area. Once those needs have been identified, award recipients may assist in identifying public and private resources to finance identified community facility needs.

[See More](#)

FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Weekly Updates from the National Special Districts Coalition (NSDC)

The full NSDC Legislative Update is available on our Advocacy News blog.

The Senate will hold several committee hearings, including an Environment and Public Works markup of the **"Water Resources Development Act of 2022 (WRDA 2022)."**

Several Senate Appropriations subcommittees will also hold hearings on the President's FY23 budget, including the Department of Health and Human Services, U.S. Forest Service, Department of Homeland Security, Department of Veterans Affairs, Department of Defense, and the Department of Energy.

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Movers & Shakers Highlight: Suzanne Watkins

Congratulations to the new Port Director at San Luis Harbor District! Watkins comes to the position with 19 years of experience in Ventura County. 16 of them as Deputy Director of the Harbor Department for Channel Islands. She took the helm at San Luis Harbor District February 1.

Have a Mover & Shaker you'd like to share? Send us a message! Advertising@csda.net

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Scholarships Available!

Want to Attend the GM Summit or CSDA Annual Conference & Exhibitor Showcase?

Check out Special District Leadership Foundation (SDLF) scholarships and you could be on your way! Applying is simple.

Open to CSDA Members and Non-Members and there's **no district budget limit.**

Check out the most recent job postings in CSDA's Career Center.

Emergency Medical Services Specialist – San Ramon Valley Fire Protection District

Water Operator – Pine Grove Community Service District

Air Quality Technician – Monterey Bay Air Resources District

General Manager – Salton Community Services District

Customer Account Manager – North Tahoe Public Utility District

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NACD ATTENDS NATIONAL SCIENCE TEACHING ASSOCIATION'S CONFERENCE

April 12, 2022



The National Science Teaching Association (NSTA) held its National Conference in Houston, Texas on March 31- April 2. NACD Stewardship and Education Coordinator **Rachel Edwards** and South Central Region Representative **Wesley Gibson** attended the conference to advocate on behalf of the National Conservation Foundation (NCF)-Envirothon and NACD. Edwards and Gibson informed attendees about NACD's 67th Annual Soil Stewardship Week along with the curriculum and resources available on the [NACD marketplace](#). Edwards gave a presentation explaining the opportunities available to their students through NACD and NCF-Envirothon.

**Save The Date:
NACD Summer Meeting**



Registration for the NACD Summer Meeting will be available soon!

This year's meeting will take place in San Juan, Puerto Rico from **July 16-19!** Hosted in partnership with the **Puerto Rico Association of Soil Conservation Districts**, the Summer Meeting is packed with opportunities for participants to network, hear from a variety of conservation speakers, and to explore the island through various group tours.

Keynote topics included *COVID-19 Vaccines: Science Verses Anti-Science* by **Peter Hotez** and **Faiyaz A. Bhojani**, and the importance of inclusivity in STEM education by **Raven Baxter**. Other topics such as using science inquiry to facilitate learning for multilingual students and developing scientific literacy in the classroom were also discussed.

Attendees learned how to create an environment that encourages students to share everyday life experiences and observations of the world around them. Encouraging discussion, explanation, and prediction of natural phenomenon facilitates learning that integrates science and literacy skill development.

To learn more about NSTA, visit their [website](#).

Keep an eye out for the official registration announcement in the coming days. In the meantime, you can take a sneak peek at the agenda, reserve your

HEALTHY SOIL, HEALTHY LIFE! STEWARSHIP WEEK IS SOON

NACD's 67th Annual Stewardship Week will be celebrated from **April 24 - May 1**. This year's theme is "Healthy Soil, Healthy Life."

Stewardship Week gives conservation districts the opportunity to educate the next generation on the significance of conservation, and we need your help to promote it!

Please send us the events your district or state associations are planning or attending to celebrate Stewardship Week.

You can access free educational materials, as well as activity sheets, flyers, coloring pages and more through our Marketplace on our [website](#). There, you'll also find Stewardship Week materials, including templates for a press release, proclamation, and a public service announcement.



UNDERWOOD CD SEES SUCCESS WITH URBAN AG CONSERVATION PROJECT

Underwood Conservation District's project, "Growing Sustainable Agriculture in the Columbia Gorge," was an ambitious, multi-part project focused on capacity-building funded through the joint NRCS-NACD Urban Agriculture Conservation (UAC) initiative in 2020.

Aspects of this work included farm-planner training for district staff, educational workshops and a series of "Crop Talks," development of a backyard conservation program called "Yard By Yard," initial work to plan a local small-farm incubator, and the development of a new farm tool library.

Partners were essential to this work, including a regional nonprofit farm support agency called Gorge Grown and the local Mountain View Grange #98. Additionally, Underwood CD gained inspiration from an

hotel room, and browse the group tour options [here](#).

We look forward to seeing you in tropical Puerto Rico in July!

District Manager Wins Kansas Conservation Education Award



The Kansas Association for Conservation and Environmental Education (KACEE) has awarded **Dana Schmelzle** the 2022 Award for Excellence in Conservation and Environmental Education. Schmelzle is the District Manager for the **Nemaha County Conservation District** located in Seneca, Kansas.

Every year, Schmelzle brings together students, adults, and volunteers for environmental education. She holds conservation educational field days for elementary students, organizes conservation workshops for adults, and serves as the vice chair of the **Kansas Association of Conservation District's** Education and Youth subcommittee, charged with organizing and hosting the Kansas Envirothon.

Register Now for U&C Webinar

NACD [monthly urban and community webinar](#), in which **Oklahoma County Conservation District** presented on their [Yard By Yard backyard conservation program](#). Oklahoma County CD shared the templates they use in their program, and Underwood CD was able to adapt these to the Washington context.



Long term partnerships with other funders were also critical for this project, as the Washington State Conservation Commission and Washington Department of Ecology provided some of the matching funds.

As this program was multi-faceted, the district faced some challenges implementing new programs while adapting to the COVID-19 pandemic. As the activities of this project evolved, we were able to refocus on certain facets and adopt others. For example, we held fewer in-person workshops, but developed a more energetic development of a long-term farm tool lending library. The success of balancing these activities will be evident a year or two from now, after Underwood CD has sustainably grown these programs and the district capacity to support them.

Underwood CD's next steps are to use the capacity-building that NACD's grant enabled to launch its farm tool library through the next growing season, then learn that program to move forward with a future demonstration and farm incubator site. In 2022, the district will conduct a spring revival of Yard By Yard. With the newly forged relationships from the past year, the district will host another season of Crop Talks, and ideally host the hands-on skills builder courses for small farms which were postponed in 2020 due to the pandemic.

See more information on Underwood CD's [Yard by Yard](#) and [small farms](#) programs online, and read more about all grantees through NACD's Urban Agriculture Conservation Initiative [online in our ArcGIS Story Map](#).



For many conservation districts, managing local water quality and quantity can provide a wealth of opportunities to promote new conservation practices. Join NACD's next Urban and Community (U&C) Conservation webinar on **Thursday, April 21 at 4:00 p.m. ET** to learn about managing runoff at home and beyond.

Please visit [NACD's Urban and Community Conservation webpage](#) for additional information and the archive of past webinars.

Register for the Webinar



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Dear Rose,

Registration for The National Association of Conservation Districts (NACD) **Summer Conservation Forum and Tours** is now open through June 24, 2022! Hosted in partnership with the **Puerto Rico Association of Soil Conservation Districts**, this summer's meeting will take place in San Juan, Puerto Rico from **July 16-19** at the Caribe Hilton Hotel.

As the second-largest NACD event of the year, the meeting brings together hundreds of conservation district leaders from across the nation, including Tribal representatives and representatives from the U.S. territories.

The Summer Meeting agenda includes a full NACD board meeting and is packed with opportunities for attendees to network and hear from a variety of conservation speakers. You will also have the chance to explore the beautiful island of Puerto Rico through a selection of group tours, including the El Yunque National Forest, the only tropical rainforest in the U.S. National Forest Service. More details, including agenda and tour information, can be found [here](#).

Please note: The **Southeast Region Meeting** will be held in tandem with the Summer Meeting at the Caribe Hotel from **July 17-19**. *Only one registration is required for those attending both events.*

The deadline for pre-registration discounts is Friday, June 24. Registration information and costs can be found below and on the [website](#). Reserve your spot today!

- **Full Registration + One (1) Tour: \$375**
- **Spousal Registration + One (1) Tour: \$275**
- **Southeast Hall of Fame Lunch Ticket: \$100** (for guests without full registration)

You will have the opportunity to select which tour you would prefer to attend as part of your registration cost during the registration process. Please note that *tours are on a first-come-first-serve basis* until capacity is reached for each tour.

The deadline for reserving your hotel room is **Friday, June 24**. Hotel information, including rates, taxes, and fees can be found below and on the [website](#). Reserve your room today!

- *Caribe Hilton Hotel | 1 San Geronimo Street | San Juan, Puerto Rico | 00901*

- **Rooms rates start at \$209/night plus taxes + fees***
 - *Taxes + Fees: in addition to the total room rate there will be a 9% room tax and \$35 Resort Charge plus 9% tax on the resort charge. There will be a separate fee of \$5.25 per person (roundtrip) for bellman services and a fee of \$0.50 per person, per day, for maid gratuity, plus applicable taxes, currently at 10.5% state tax and 1% municipality tax.
 - Cancellation Policy: an advanced one night's deposit will be required for room, tax, and resort charge. Will be charged 72 hours prior arrival by the hotel. Refundable ahead of 72 hours prior to arrival.

Important travel information can be found below.

- Citizens of the United States and its territories **do not need a passport** to travel to Puerto Rico.
- NACD is monitoring local COVID-19 guidance and attendees must agree to follow local protocols. This may include, but is not limited to, mask mandates, social distancing, and other requirements in effect in Puerto Rico.
- NACD will be prepared to provide masks to registered attendees who need one.
- Those not following the local guidelines will not be allowed entry to meetings or events.

Find more information about sessions, speakers, and more on the [Summer Meeting website](#).

We can't wait to see you in tropical Puerto Rico in July!

NACD Team

REGISTER NOW!



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REGISTRATION FOR 2022 NACD SUMMER MEETING NOW OPEN!

April 19, 2022



**Benton
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Washington Grown
TV Program**



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The **Southeast Region Meeting** will also take place during the Summer Meeting at the Caribe Hilton Hotel from July 17-19.

Don't delay! Take advantage of visiting one of the country's tropical island territories and reserve your spot for the Summer Meeting today. You don't even need a passport!

Registration and hotel information and costs can be found on the [NACD website](#).

The [Washington State Conservation Commission \(SCC\)](#) partners with the [Washington Grown television program](#) to produce and share short stories of conservation district work. The program targets audiences in urban and suburban areas who may be less familiar with conservation districts and the story of food production.

The latest video produced through this partnership features **Benton Conservation District** (home of NACD President Michael Crowder!) and their work to conserve water in the Columbia Basin.

2023 FARM BILL PRINCIPLES ADOPTED BY NACD FARM BILL TASK FORCE

The recently established **NACD Farm Bill Task Force** has developed policy priorities for the upcoming 2023 Farm Bill. The Task Force, led by NACD President Michael Crowder, includes 15 NACD leaders who represent diverse regions and interests across the country. The Task Force has convened twice this year and is scheduled to meet twice monthly to review existing programs and develop policy recommendations.

In their last meeting, the **Task Force adopted Farm Bill Principles** that will be used to guide the group's work moving forward. As Congress begins the process to develop the 2023 Farm Bill, NACD's Farm Bill Task Force will continue working to develop priorities and find opportunities to engage with congressional leaders.

HEALTHY SOIL, HEALTHY LIFE! STEWARSHIP WEEK IS SOON

NACD's 67th annual **Stewardship Week** is less than a week away!

There is still time to download our free "Healthy Life, Healthy Soil" materials. Visit our [NACD Marketplace](#) to access our free, downloadable education materials, including the 2022 Soil Health Field Day Guide which will be available later this week. There's even a Tool Kit to assist you in planning an exciting Stewardship Week!

If your district has activities planned for Stewardship Week, we want to hear about it! Please email stewardship@nacdn.net with event details and utilize our hashtags on social media!
#DistrictsSupportSoilHealth #NACDStewardshipWeek



Watch the two-minute video here!

If you have questions about this joint venture, contact [Laura Meyer](#) at the Washington State Conservation Commission.

Registration for the NCF-Envirothon Now Open!



Registration for the 2022 **NCF-Envirothon** competition in Ohio is now open!

The event, hosted by the National Conservation Foundation (NCF) and the **Ohio Federation of Soil and Water Conservation Districts**, will be held from July 24-30, 2022 at Miami University in Oxford, Ohio. The current issue is "Waste to Resources" and Ohio's ecology and natural resources will be highlighted.

In this special area of study, students will learn the concepts of different waste streams and the impacts that waste generation and disposal has on natural resources. Additionally, students will learn the social, economic, and political impacts of turning waste products and degraded lands into resources.

The 2022 Team Registration fee is \$1800.00 per team (five students and up to two advisors). In addition to students and advisors, guests are welcome and



GEORGIA'S CONSERVATION DISTRICTS "DIG DEEPER INTO CONSERVATION" AT ANNUAL MEETING

150 district officials, employees, and partners gathered at Callaway Resort & Gardens for the **Georgia Association of Conservation Districts (GACD) 2022 Annual Meeting** from April 10-12. The theme of the meeting was "Dig Deeper Into Conservation."

The meeting kicked off on Sunday afternoon with a GACD board meeting, district supervisor orientation and memorial, and welcome reception.

The second day's general session featured several partner updates. Mitch Attaway, the Executive Director of the Georgia Soil and Water Conservation Commission, shared news of a successful state legislative session that will increase funding to Georgia's conservation districts. Southeast Regional Conservationist James Tillman, and State Conservationist Terrance Rudolph from the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Natural Resources Conservation Service's (USDA-NRCS), championed locally-led conservation and highlighted the growth of acreage conserved in Georgia. The session also featured L. Jonathan Jackson, Founder and Executive Director of **STAG VETS, INC.** and Comfort Farms in Georgia, who spoke about veterans continuing to serve our country through agriculture and natural resources conservation.

The day's breakout sessions included a session on erosion and sediment control, watershed dams, conservation planning, and outreach and education for grazing lands, pollinators, and engaging youth in conservation. A group of participants also learned about water conservation and enjoyed a tour of the Chattahoochee River in Columbus, Georgia — the world's longest urban whitewater course — with Columbus Water Works.

NACD President Michael Crowder provided the evening's keynote address during GACD's Hall of Fame Banquet, and recognized John Redding for his induction into NACD's Hall of Distinction. Robbie Faust of Bellflower Farms in Dawson, Georgia was awarded Conservationist of the Year. Faust also received the Friend of Conservation Award at NACD's 2022 Annual Meeting. The Gwinnett County Conservation District was awarded District of the Year.

The meeting wrapped up with a legislative forum featuring NACD Government Affairs Director Chris Young, and the Georgia Farm Bureau.

Congressional Offices Accepting FY23 Appropriations Requests

The appropriations committees in the U.S. Senate and House of Representatives are beginning to develop FY23 appropriations bills.

Many individual congressional offices accept appropriations requests from their constituents even if their members do not sit on the

encouraged to join us in Ohio in July!

Guest rates vary depending on your stay. Full event details and registration can be found at www.envirothon.org.



Forest Carbon Webinars Available Next Month

Securing Northeast Forest Carbon Program is hosting four free webinars to take place May 4, 11, 18, and 25.

The webinars include:

- **Science of Forest Carbon** | May 4 | 9am - 10:30am ET

- **Science of Forest Carbon Management** | May 11 | 9am - 10:30am ET

- **Forest Carbon Markets Overview** | May 18 | 9am - 10:30am ET

- **Forest Carbon Project Developers** | May 25 | 9am - 12:30pm ET

Register for any of these webinars [here!](#)



Register for the
Webinar

appropriations committees. Congressional offices consider these constituent requests before they submit federal spending recommendations to the appropriations committees.

Submitting these requests to your federal representatives is critical to securing strong funding for programs that support conservation districts. We encourage all members to follow the instructions below to submit requests.

- **Review NACD's appropriations requests.** These requests support a variety of federal programs that benefit conservation districts across the country. We encourage you to ask your representatives to support these programs and any additional federal programs that benefit your state or district.
- **Visit your representative's website.** Many congressional representatives have an "appropriations" or "federal spending" tab on their website, which provides instructions on how to submit requests. If you have questions, you can call the office of your representative for assistance.
- **Note any deadlines.** Many offices are accepting appropriations requests from constituents until the end of April or early May.

Please contact NACD's Director of Government Affairs **Chris Young** at chris-young@nacdnet.org if you have any questions about the congressional appropriations process or submitting requests.

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NEW GRANT TRAINING WEBINARS HOSTED BY EPA



The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has announced three new series of webinars for grant applicants and recipients. EPA staff will discuss key aspects of the grant process and participants will have the opportunity to submit questions. Additional information on each webinar and registration information can be found on the [EPA website](#).

- **Webinar on the Competition Process:** Learn how to find and successfully apply for EPA grants | **April 28 | 2pm - 3pm ET**
- **Webinar on Developing a Budget:** Learn how to develop budgets and budget narratives | **May 5 | 2pm - 3pm ET**
- **Webinar on Financial Management:** Hear from EPA's Research Triangle Park Finance Center about grant financial management | **May 10 | 2pm - 3pm ET**

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HAPPY 67TH ANNUAL STEWARDSHIP WEEK!

April 26, 2022



Kansas CDs Embracing a New Platform: Podcasts

Kansas Conservation Districts are getting the word out about natural resource conservation in a whole new way. In a podcast through Great Plains Regeneration and the High Plains Journal, underwritten by the Kansas Department of Agriculture, Division of Conservation (DOC), host Jessica Gnad interviewed two of the state's greatest conservation leaders: Rod Voorhees and Daryl Donohue.

Gnad noted that in her conversations with producers it is important to know the context in which you are farming; not every practice is relevant to your area or circumstances. Voorhees agreed, mentioning that the Kansas Conservation Partnership works together to create policies and programs that are administered through local conservation districts. The grassroots leadership in each county identifies their specific

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Email us at stewardship@nacdnet.org and utilize our hashtags on social media to show off your celebrations: #DistrictsSupportSoilHealth and #NACDStewardshipWeek!

GET OUTSIDE WITH NCF-ENVIROTHON iNATURALIST

Conservation districts looking for innovative ways to engage technologically savvy students this Stewardship Week are encouraged to check out the [NCF-Envirothon iNaturalist Project](#). iNaturalist, one of the largest citizen science projects in the world, is an online educational social network and community-based platform that allows students to collaborate with each other, educators, and natural resource specialists as they explore nature. Initially developed for use as a training tool for Envirothon students, conservation districts and individuals are invited to join the project.



With both web-based and mobile applications, including iPhone and Android apps, iNaturalist offers a unique platform for ecological exploration and education. It can be easily incorporated into Stewardship Week activities, as well as Envirothon trainings, in person or at a distance. With a focus on getting students outdoors and face-to-face with local ecology, iNaturalist is a great way to get students and adults excited about learning.

The Envirothon iNaturalist project can be used independently or as part of a structured education program. NCF-Envirothon is working to develop activities that can be used by Envirothon teams and conservation districts that correspond with Envirothon's main natural resource areas of study: aquatic ecology, forestry, soils, and wildlife. Currently, a Forestry Ecosystem Exploration activity is available that includes an educator and advisor guide with a full lesson plan and educational correlations to multiple standards, a student guide, and worksheets for observations and data collecting.

iNaturalist is a fantastic way to keep the enthusiasm for conservation that is sparked during Stewardship Week going all year round.

More information about this project, as well as instructions on how to get started, can be found on the iNaturalist page of the NCF-Envirothon [website](#).

NACD ATTENDS 76TH ANNUAL LACD MEETING

The **Louisiana Association of Conservation (LACD)** held its 76th Annual Meeting in Baton Rouge, Louisiana from April 19-21. More than 200 producers, district directors, employees, and NRCS staff were in attendance from across the state. NACD South Central Region Representative **Wesley Gibson** attended the conference to introduce himself as the new Region Representative and give a presentation to attendees along with **NACD President Michael Crowder**. The two discussed the history of NACD, gave legislative updates, and an

resource concerns and have built an eight-decade relationship of trust with their county producers.

Donohue pointed out that conservation districts are also the best place for the average person to gain information. He thinks of conservation districts as "continuing education for producers" and the workshops often become think tanks for like-minded farmers and ranchers trying to solve the same problem from different perspectives.

Read the full story on [NACD's blog](#) and listen to the podcast [here](#).

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overview of the grants, partnerships, and opportunities available to Louisiana Soil and Water Conservation Districts through NACD.

The agenda included topics such as NOAA analysis from Hurricane Ida, PL-566 funding opportunities, a detailed overview of soil health management systems, the potential of BioChar from sugarcane bagasse, and an intro to the Water Education Today program. During the meeting, several awards were also presented to attendees, including Louisiana's Master Farmers and the Guy Caire Award accepted by **Blaise Pezold** with the **Crescent SWCD**.



FUNDING HELPS OREGON SWCD CONDUCT FUELS TREATMENT

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The grant through the Oregon Department of Forestry's (ODF) Landscape Resiliency Program will help the district reduce fine fuels such as cheatgrass, medusa head rye, and African wire grass, which has been increasing in the area.



"We've treated some of the other heavier fuels so it's a natural progression for us, and we thought it would be a good time to complement the work we're already doing," **Sullivan said** of the Upper John Day Resiliency Project. "It's a large area to work in, so we're starting in the headwaters and are going to keep working down the valley."

The district has been working through a regional partnership which includes private landowners, NRCS, ODF, Malheur National Forest, Bayer Corporation, Blue Mountain Forest Partners, Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board, and Oregon State University to treat dense conifer stands and juniper the past couple of years. In July and August,

Funding Opportunity for the Community School Garden Grant Initiative

The Emerson Collective is accepting grant applications for the Community School Garden Grant Initiative. Nonprofit organizations (501c3) and schools may for up to \$15,000 (over two years) to create or expand school or community gardens for nature connection & health. The application is a short form, plus a narrative of no more than 2 pages and 1 page project budget. Apply by **April 30**.

Learn more [here](#).

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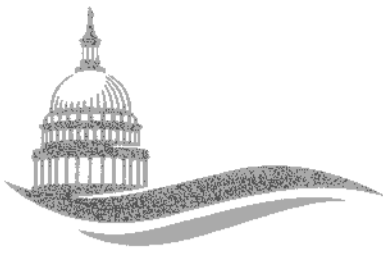
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We're partnering with American Rivers and Waterkeeper Alliance to organize Action Day for Clean Water and Rivers on June 8, 2022, following River Rally. This is your opportunity to join with fellow advocates to ask members of Congress to support policies that will ensure clean water and healthy rivers for all communities.

**Action Day registration closes on April 29.
Sign up today! [Learn more.](#)**

Check Out the Program

Explore the River Rally 2022 workshop and field trip offerings and speaker lineup, meet our first Legacy Award recipient, and see what else we have planned for DC this June, including Action Day for Clean Water & Rivers!

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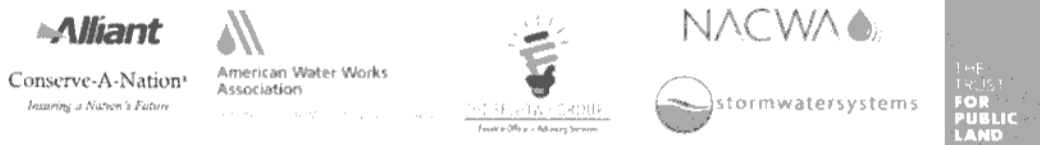
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NACD APPLAUDS CONSERVATION RESERVE PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENT

May 3, 2022



United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) **Secretary Tom Vilsack** announced today the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) is accepting offers of up to more than two million acres in program enrollment. CRP is a voluntary conservation program that authorizes USDA to provide annual rental payments to producers enrolled in the program who agree to remove environmentally sensitive land from agricultural production and agree to plant species that will improve environmental health and quality. Contracts for land enrolled in CRP last from 10 – 15 years in length.

"NACD applauds USDA and commends them for their leadership in continuing to administer this critical program," **said NACD President Michael Crowder**. "CRP is a significant component to conservation that, over the years, has played a key role in restoring the environment and ensuring the sustainability of our agricultural lands. I thank Secretary Vilsack and Administrator Ducheneaux for their work in continuing to administer this important program."

CRP is a critical tool in USDA's conservation program efforts to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, bolster soil health, prevent erosion, restore wildlife habitats, and improve air and water quality. In the past, NACD has applauded USDA's efforts to encourage participation in CRP by increasing payment rates and introducing a variety of incentive payments, including a climate incentive payment.

Read the full release [here](#).

NACD ATTENDS USDA SOIL HEALTH WORKSHOP

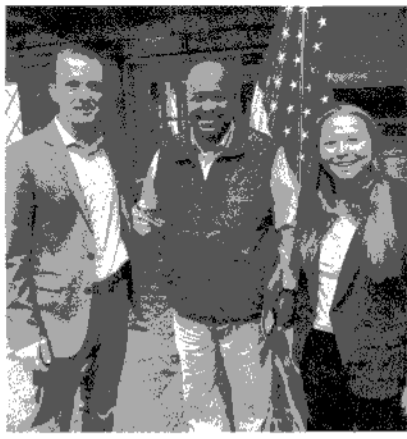
On Monday, May 2 the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) hosted a Soil Health Workshop for stakeholders at the Agriculture Research Center in Beltsville, Maryland. **NACD CEO Jeremy Peters**

NACD Seeks Communications Specialist

NACD is seeking a full-time Communications Specialist to support coordination across a broad portfolio of communications and grant activities to achieve specific, project-driven outcomes. This position is responsible for providing assistance to the Director of Communications to support the NACD's member conservation districts and NACD Board of Directors to advance conservation, resource development, and assist in the implementation of the association's policies. Interested candidates should apply no later than **Friday, May 6, 2022**.

Visit [NACD's careers page](#) to see the full job description and how to apply and to explore other open positions.

**Save the Date:
Coffee with Crowder**



and NACD Government Affairs Associate **Mariah MacKenzie** participated in the event.

The event began with remarks from USDA **Secretary Tom Vilsack**, Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) **Chief Terry Cosby**, and Agricultural Research Service (ARS) **Administrator Chavonda Jacobs-Young** in a panel discussion with participants. In his remarks, Secretary Vilsack emphasized the critical role soil health

plays in ensuring the resilience of our natural resources and the profitability of agricultural operations across the country.

NRCS and ARS experts held demonstrations of recently developed cutting-edge soil health innovations, including technology to accurately track cover crops, take deep-soil samples, and detect contamination. Following the soil health technology demonstrations, the U.S. Geological Survey, NRCS Soil and Plant Science Division, and other partners provided presentations on mapping cover crops, dynamic soil health properties, and the economic benefits provided by cover crops and no-till practices.



NACD applauds USDA's dedication to supporting soil health and innovative agricultural technologies and appreciate Secretary Vilsack, Chief Cosby, and Administrator Jacobs-Young for recognizing the role that the nation's 3,000 conservation districts play in implementing these critical soil health practices.

NACD President Michael Crowder will host his next "Coffee with Crowder" on **May 18 at 5p.m. ET**. Add the date to your calendar now, and be on the lookout in future editions of eResource for more information.

NACD Grant Opportunities for Districts

The Indiana State Department of Agriculture (ISDA) hosted a webinar series "[Grant and Funding Opportunities: A Virtual Series For SWCDs](#)" and invited NACD North Central Region Representative **Beth Mason** and NACD Projects and Partnerships Coordinator **Meg Leader** to speak on April 21, highlighting the various grant opportunities for districts through NACD.

The session included details on:

- [Friends of NACD District Grants Program](#),
- [NACD Urban Agriculture Conservation Grant Initiative](#),
- [NCF Envirothon Diversity Enhancement and Underserved Audience Grants](#), and
- [NACD Technical Assistance Grants](#).

While the details of these funding opportunities may fluctuate from year to year, participants were encouraged to visit the NACD website for examples of past projects, connect with NACD staff, and subscribe to our [newsletter](#) to stay current on grant announcements.

To learn more about these grant opportunities and view the presentation recording, visit the [ISDA YouTube link](#).



FRIENDS OF NACD DISTRICT GRANT HELPS EASTERN CONNECTICUT CD ESTABLISH TRAILS AND HABITAT AT OUTDOOR EDUCATION CENTER

The **Eastern Connecticut Conservation District (ECCD)** considers itself fortunate to own 85 acres of land in Brooklyn, Connecticut. The land features a wide variety of habitats and natural resources, and the ECCD is currently working to develop an outdoor education center on it, named the Milo Appley Conservation Showcase and Education Center.

Over the past year, with the support of a 2021 **Friends of NACD District Grant**, the ECCD developed a framework and began to implement actions to help move the district forward in creating this outdoor education center.

A priority for the center is developing trails for visitors to enjoy. To that end, ECCD has worked on creating an educational trail with interpretive signs to educate visitors to the center about habitats, wildlife, invasive species, agriculture, land management, climate change, and water quality.

ECCD has also created a Letterbox Trail on the land. Like geocaching, letterboxing encourages fun outdoor treasure-hunting. The letterboxes on ECCD's Letterbox Trail highlight natural resources and are placed throughout the property.



The Friends of NACD District Grant also helped ECCD, along with partners and volunteers, plant milkweed at the center to establish a [Monarch Waystation](#).

"Once developed," says **ECCD Board of Directors Chair Bill Jorsz**, "the Milo Appley Conservation Showcase and Education Center will be a public venue accessible to individuals, families, and schools. At the Center, the public will learn about different habitats, the environment, ecosystems, flora and fauna, and threats to our natural resources, which will support regional efforts to protect the environment in eastern Connecticut."

Read more about this project in [this blog post](#) and help provide grant opportunities like this to conservation districts around the country by

Field to Market Spotlights District Administrator in Trusted Advisor Series



Field to Market highlighted **Stearns County Soil and Water Conservation District Administrator Dennis Fuchs** in their Trusted Advisor series recently after a nomination from NACD. Fuchs works to connect farmers with financial and technical assistance to advance soil health and water quality in Central Minnesota. He has spent over 25 years working alongside local farmers, becoming a trusted adviser to producers as they advance their responsibility to improve regional water quality.

"We have great conservationist farmers in this region," said **Fuchs** with pride. "Gaining the trust of these farmers is one of the most important things I feel that we can do as a Soil and Water Conservation District."

Read the full story on [Field to Market's website](#).

WFLC Hosts Forestry Grant Writing Workshop

The Western Forestry Leadership Coalition (WFLC) and the US Forest Service recently collaborated to host a workshop on writing proposals for the Forest Legacy Program. This webinar included a panel

becoming a [Friend of NACD](#) today!



Back in 1981, **Rex and Amy Hamilton** began harvesting, cleaning, and selling warm-season grass seed, most of which was used to establish forage. With the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) signed into law in 1985, the demand for native grass seed increased as the long-term goal of the program is to re-establish valuable land cover. The planting of native grasses and wildflowers helps to improve water quality, prevent soil erosion, and reduce loss of wildlife habitat.



The Hamiltons established [Hamilton Native Outpost](#) which produces native grasses and wildflowers for livestock forage, landscaping, restoration of rare and declining habitats, and wildlife and pollinators. They also incorporate livestock into their seed production through managed grazing of their cow-calf operation.

Through the Hamilton Native Outpost website, the Hamiltons not only sell their seed, but they also share resources for landowners such as books, free how-to guides, and an extensive archive of educational [blog posts](#). Throughout the year they hold field days such as the "[Diverse Native Grasslands Pasture Walk](#)" which is scheduled for June 16 where the Hamiltons will share how they have increased their forage production, improved their livestock performance, and enhanced soil health – all without the expense of fertilizer.

For more information on Rex and Amy Hamilton, their unique operation, and a bit about their soil health journey, you can follow Hamilton Native Outpost on Facebook and read their [Soil Health Champion profile](#) on the NACD website.

If you or someone you know would like to join the NACD Soil Health Champions Network, please visit the [NACD website](#) or contact NACD North Central Region Representative **Beth Mason** at beth-mason@nacdn.net for more information.

of presenters that shared valuable information, as well as tips and tricks for writing project briefs. Watch the webinar recording [here](#).

U.S. Forest Service Opens RFPs for Forest Restoration Program

A request for proposals is now open for new Collaborative Forest Landscape Restoration Program (CFLRP) projects for potential funding beginning in Fiscal Year 2023. The purpose of the CFLRP is to encourage the collaborative, science-based ecosystem restoration of priority forest landscapes. Learn more [here](#).

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- New Wild & Scenic Rivers Stewardship Partnership funding available! [Learn more.](#)
- Check out **upcoming learning sessions and resources** from River Network and the community.
- Join the 350+ water protectors who have already registered for **River Rally 2022!**
- The latest from the **online community.**

Announcing New Wild & Scenic Rivers Stewardship Partnership Funding

For a 4th year, River Network and the U.S. Forest Service (USFS) will provide funding for nonprofit organizations working on stewardship activities on USFS administered Wild and Scenic Rivers (WSR) and surrounding lands. This partnership funding will range from \$5,000-\$10,000 per award for work occurring between June 15, 2022, and January 31, 2023.

[Learn more and apply.](#)

CONNECT & LEARN

Upcoming learning sessions and peer exchanges from River Network and the community.

Clean Water for All Farm Bill Webinar

May 4, 2PM ET. Join the Clean Water for All Coalition's nutrient pollution work group to learn more about the Farm Bill and what it takes to pass the Farm Bill, the priorities the Coalition is focusing on advocating for and supporting within the Farm Bill, and next steps for engagement. [Register.](#)

In the Flow: Arts and Culture Practices for the Water Movement

Apr 28, 3:30PM ET. Join the Water Hub for a panel conversation with artists that use their work to advance water and climate justice. By tapping into our imaginations, these strategies have the potential to create a shared vision of a better future. [Register.](#)

More from the Network:

APR 26-29 | The Center for Watershed Protection's **2022 National Watershed and Stormwater Conference** will be held in St. Petersburg, FL.

MAY 7 | The **Water Works Festival**, hosted by Houston Public Works, will take place from 10AM-2PM.

JUL 12-14 | The North Central Region Water Network will host the **Climate Intersections Conference: Taking Care of People, Water, and the Land** in Duluth, Minnesota.

JAN 23-25 | The **Water for Texas 2023** conference website is now live! [Visit the conference website](#) to learn more about the 2023 event.



Join the 350+ water protectors who have already registered for River Rally 2022! Get ready for **over 70 learning opportunities** including field trips, peer exchanges, workshops, and national leaders. Stick around on June 8 for

Action Day for Clean Water & Rivers, a chance to meet with members of Congress, in collaboration with American Rivers and Waterkeeper Alliance.

Plus, **premium members save 40% on registration!**

Register for Rally

New Speakers Announced!

Hear from **Chuck Sams**, Director of the National Park Service, during the Welcome Reception on June 4; and **Robyn Colosimo**, Director of Policy and Legislation at the US Army Corps of Engineers, during the plenary panel "Doing Better – Climate, Water, and Equity at the Local Level" on June 6.

See the full list of confirmed speakers and download the River Rally program.



WHAT YOU MISSED IN THE ONLINE COMMUNITY

What's going on in the online community? [Sign in](#) or [register](#) to join the conversation!

Networks for Flood Resilience:

Emily Vail (Hudson River Watershed Alliance) is looking for examples of networks of municipalities/communities that work together to reduce flood risk and/or adapt to climate change. Browse the thread!

Policies for Cash Stipends: Taylor Smith-Hams (Blue Water Baltimore) is looking for internal policy

SRF Toolkit Advisory Committee:

The Clean Water for All Coalition is seeking up to 10 groups to contribute to the development and review of a State Revolving Fund (SRF) Toolkit for Advocates. Complete the form if you are interested in this **paid** opportunity!

Who is growing plants?: Hannah Mico (River Network) is wondering if anyone has experience using a plant

examples regarding the distribution of cash stipends for community members and survey participants. Add your advice!

nursery program as a supplemental revenue stream. Add to the discussion!

CAREERS & OPPORTUNITIES

Visit the *careers page* for more opportunities to work with groups that are restoring and protecting rivers and waters.

- **Water Quality Scientist** at The Community Science Institute
- **Southern Valley Conservation Projects Manager** at The Housatonic Valley Association
- **River Captain and Forest Health Monitoring Technician** at The South Yuba River Citizens League
- **Education & Outreach Coordinator** at Eagle River Watershed Council
- **Executive Director** at Arizona Land and Water Trust

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Mariah Davis, 2022 Emerging Leader



We're thrilled to announce that **Mariah Davis**, Senior Policy & Campaigns Manager at Choose Clean Water Coalition is this year's Emerging Leader award recipient!

At Choose Clean Water Coalition, Mariah manages outreach, grassroots advocacy, and civic engagement efforts to support the Coalition's policy priorities. Mariah is an active member in the Chesapeake community. She is deeply committed to efforts that foster diversity, equity, inclusion, and justice.

Learn more about Mariah and her work at the link below and register for River Rally to celebrate her achievements in person!

Meet Mariah

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Minnesota
**District co-hosts 'learn
and burn' event**

Camp Ripley Environmental,
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Private landowners within the Camp Ripley Sentinel Landscape were invited to attend the daylong event and learn from professionals about the methods and multiple benefits of prescribed fire.

A morning classroom session covered fire history, ecology, uses, fire behavior, and safety. Afternoon field visits showcased a site prepped for

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LOCAL RESIDENTS HELP MAINE SWCD TRACK STREET TREES

Southern Aroostook Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD) partnered with neighborhood residents to establish a tree inventory in Houlton, Maine, which will guide the district in future street tree diversity and help increase tree canopy.



The idea grew three years ago when **District Manager Angie Wotton** was talking with residents over coffee, and talk turned to observations of the number of trees being cut down along the streets of Houlton. Wotton asked if the residents would be willing to document what they saw over the summer of 2019.

The resulting list consisting of tree photos, locations, and observed conditions – including those that were damaged because of wire interference pruning – led to the SWCD applying for a Project Canopy planning grant from the Maine Forest Service. Funding was awarded in May 2020, and the district began recruiting volunteers from the targeted neighborhoods. "My favorite comment from a survey volunteer was a woman who, after surveying her section with a friend, 'complained' to me that because of her participation, she was now unable to drive down a street in Houlton without assessing the street trees," **Wotton said**.

"To me, that is exactly what we want to happen," **she said**. "The more people are aware, the more we hope to get them involved."

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burning, a recently burned site, and a site where attendees could view Camp Ripley's Burn Team ignite and manage a low-complexity burn.

Maine **SWCD helps organize bird habitat workshop**

The **Oxford County Soil and Water Conservation District** has partnered with Maine Audubon to present a workshop about managing woodlands for birds habitat.

The Forestry for Maine Birds workshop will cover: improving habitat for priority forest birds and other wildlife species; achieving other forest management goals; and enhancing the value and enjoyment of Maine woodlands for future generations.

All are welcome to attend the free workshop at the Tenmile River Demo Forest in Brownfield.

FORESTRY NEWS

[Does Smokey Bear need a makeover to prevent more wildfires?](#)

[1,000-year-old oaks used to create 'super forest'](#)

[How much heat, drought can forests tolerate?](#)

[How prescribed burns can help restore Eastern U.S. forests](#)

CALENDAR

June 13-17 – [SFI/PLT Annual Conference](#) | Madison, WI

July 16-19 – [2022 NACD Summer Conservation Forum and Tour](#) | San Juan, Puerto Rico

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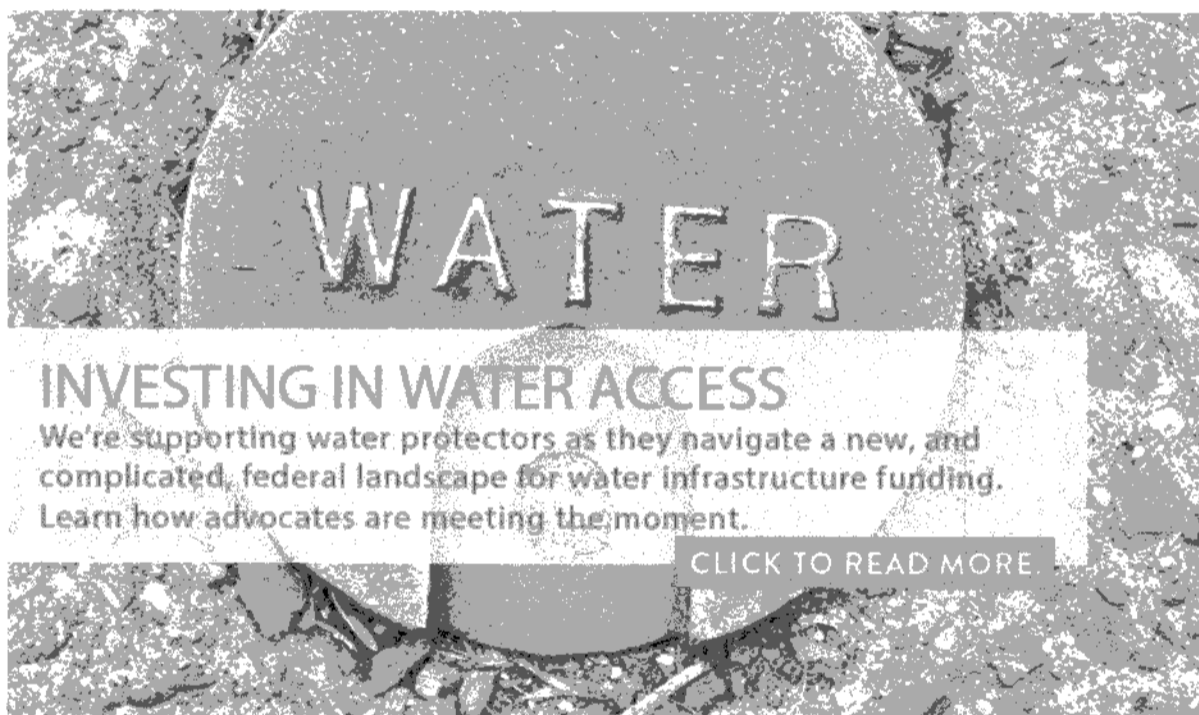


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RIVER VOICES

MAY 2022 ISSUE



The passage of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act last fall was a historic investment in water infrastructure, adding nearly \$50 billion for water to the State Revolving Loan Fund Program (SRFs). This investment, and its provisions to support equitable implementation, mean there is a large role for advocates to play in ensuring their states and local water systems are ready to

meet the moment. Hear from Sheyda Esnashaari on how we're supporting water protectors as they navigate this new funding landscape for water infrastructure.

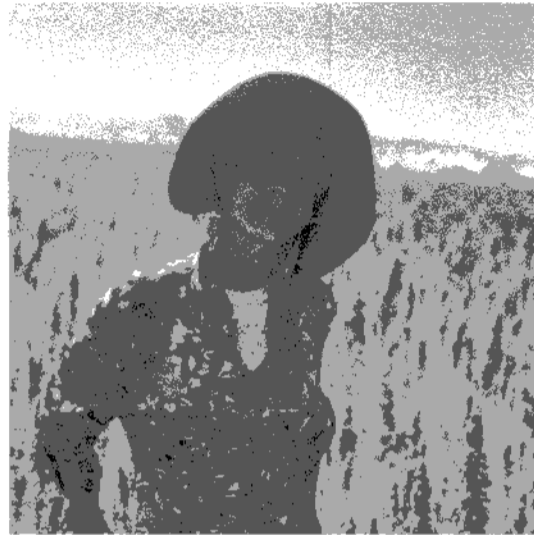
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One Month Until River Rally 2022!

There's still time to join almost 400 network leaders and peers from across the country at River Rally 2022 in Washington, DC. Check out the program to see the over 70 learning opportunities we have planned, from inspiring keynotes to thought-provoking workshops that anchor equity to the future of US waters.

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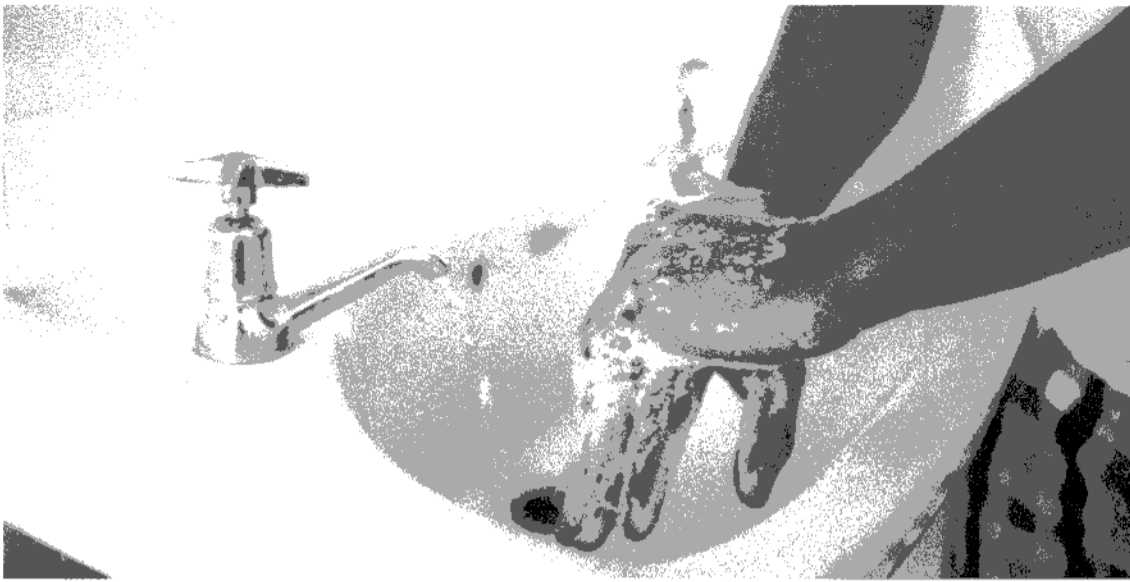


Meet Your Network: Fatuma Emmad

"Water, water there's so much to say! Really, water is the blood of the earth: water serves to create life and we're in such a time of so much contention around water... We are water, you live around water; if you don't understand a lot about what's going on with water, it's probably because you're facing types of disenfranchisements from it."

[Meet Fatuma Emmad.](#)

Low-Income Household Water Assistance Program Updates



LIHWAP, the Low-Income Household Water Assistance Program created and funded through COVID-19 legislation in Dec. 2020 (CAA) and Mar. 2021 (ARPA), is now in full swing, with households across the country accessing assistance in 42 states. The recently released public LIHWAP Data Dashboard summarizing the program's implementation plans, trends, and challenges is rich with information. Our team breaks it down.

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Wild & Scenic Stewardship Partnership Funding Available

River Network and the U.S. Forest Service (USFS) are excited to announce the fourth year of funding for nonprofit organizations working on stewardship activities—including clean-ups, monitoring, habitat restoration, cultural preservation and more—on USFS administered Wild and Scenic Rivers (WSR) and surrounding lands.

Apply by May 16.



Upcoming State Policy Showcases

Join us for these eand more! See Events & Learning opportunities on our website.

State Nutrient-Reduction Policies

May 11, 11a PT/2p ET

Join River Network for our next State Policy Showcase! Evan Isaacson, Senior Attorney and Director of Research at the Chesapeake Legal Alliance; Doug Myers, Maryland Senior Scientist at the Chesapeake Bay Foundation; and Cindy Skrukrud, Illinois clean water advocate, will tell us about Nutrient-Reduction state policies in Maryland and Illinois.

Evan and Doug will share Maryland's policies that are driving nutrient reduction progress, recently passed state legislation, and further progress that is needed. Cindy will share policy recommendations that could move Illinois' nutrient reduction strategy forward – and progress made.

[Learn more and register.](#)

Environmental Justice State Policies

May 23, 12p PT / 3p ET

Join River Network for this State Policy Showcase! Taina Wagnac, State Legislative Manager, WE ACT for Environmental Justice, and Jairaj Singh, Climate Resilience and Environmental Justice Director, United Oregon, will tell us about environmental justice state policies in New York and Oregon – including the nuts-and-bolts of the policy and what drove action by decision makers.

Taina will share about WE ACT's current efforts to pass a Cumulative Impacts bill, and Jairaj will discuss Oregon's legislation on the state's Environmental Justice Council.

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Science Corner: Environmental Justice Mapping Tools

The latest from our science team. Join us at River Rally 2022 for workshops diving deeper on these tools.

With the recent launch of the Climate and Economic Justice Screening Tool (CEJST) by the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) to identify

communities that are disadvantaged and overburdened by pollution, and ongoing efforts at the state-level to identify the location of environmental justice communities, you may be wondering how these types of mapping tools relate to water data and the work you do related to permitting, climate resiliency, or community engagement.

We've created a resource page on federal and state water and equity mapping tools, including a table summarizing similarities and differences between them. Check out [our blog post](#) to learn why mapping tools matter, why indicators for race and class matter, and why different water indicators matter (and why they aren't as prevalent), and find examples of how to use EJSCREEN, CEJST, and How's My Waterway?

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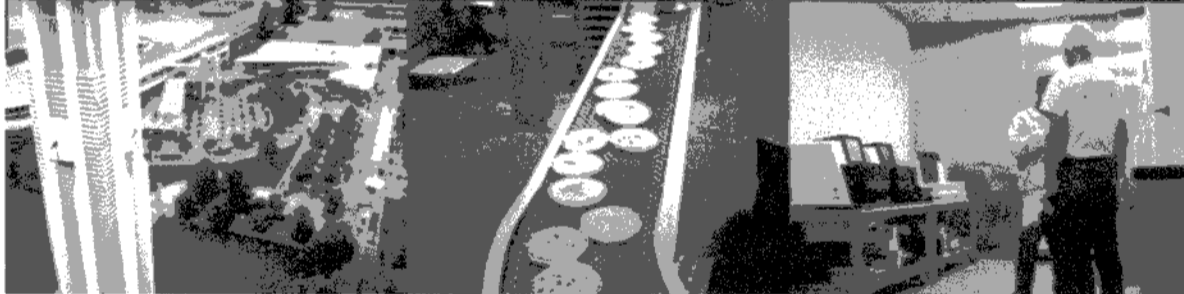
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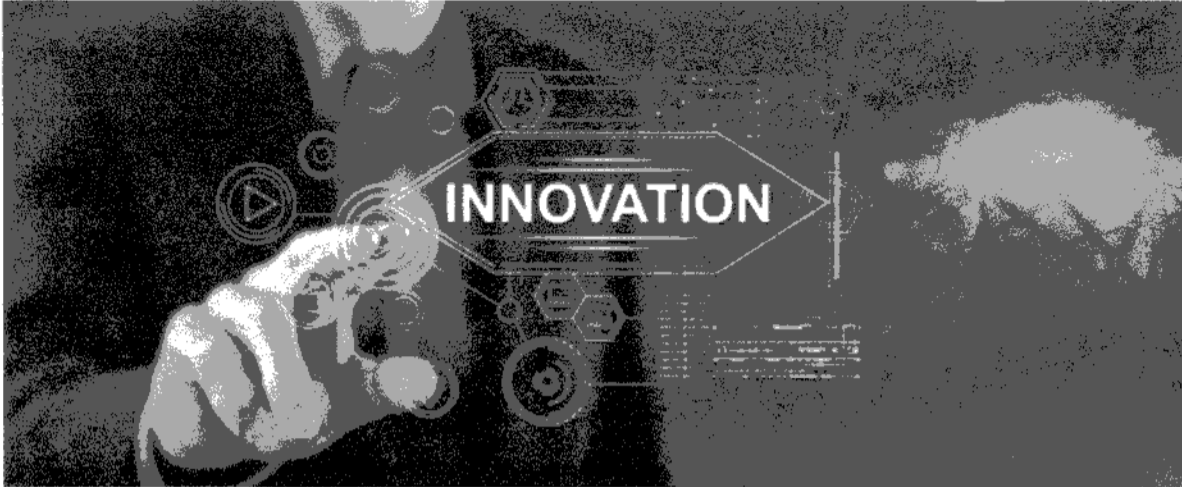


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The Innovation Ecosystem

Riverside County's Driving Force Behind Regional Startups

Our next blog post is now available - *Riverside County Claims its Place on the Innovation Map*. Click [HERE](#) to learn about Riverside County's ecosystem of Innovation Centers that welcome and attract entrepreneurs and support innovation. Stay tuned for more exciting and informative blogs to come.



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The event will include presentations from several regional innovation related organizations. The goal of the event is to showcase a selection of innovative and dynamic assets the region has, as well as spurring further discussion on how partners can better align innovation ecosystem work.

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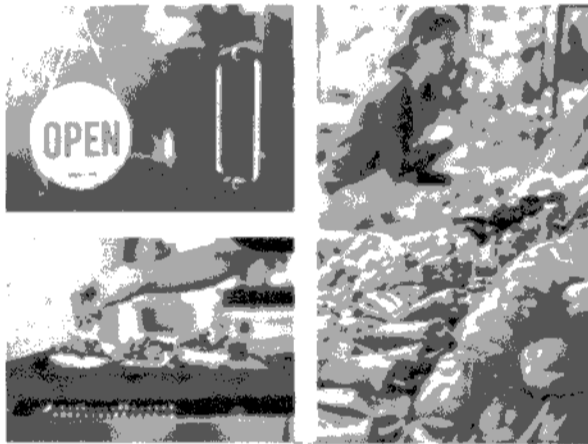
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Se aceptarán aplicaciones hasta el 30 de junio de 2022 a las 5 p.m. o hasta que se agoten los fondos.

MICROEMPRESAS ELEGIBLES

- ✓ Menos de 5 empleados en tiempo completo
- ✓ Empezado antes de el 29 de 2019
- ✓ El negocio debe haber proporcionado los ingresos primarios en 2019
- ✓ Menos de \$200,000 en ingresos primarios en 2019
- ✓ No haber recibido anteriormente una subvención de ayuda para pequeñas empresas del estado de California

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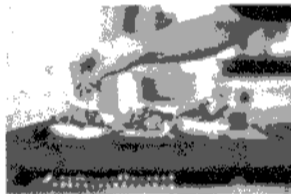
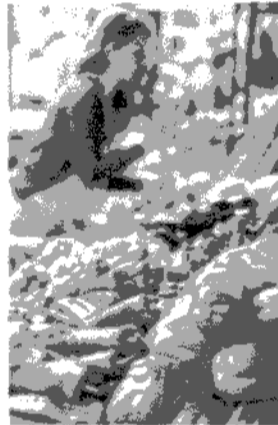
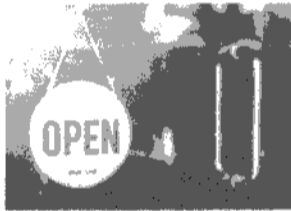
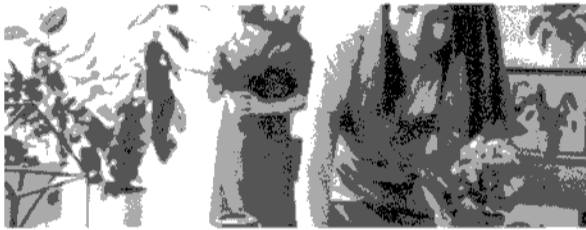
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- ✓ in Operation Since 12/31/2019
- ✓ Business Must Be the Source of Primary Income in 2019
- ✓ Less than \$10,000 in revenues in 2019
- ✓ Haven't previously Received a Small Business Relief Grant from the State of California

Applicants will be notified within 14 business days from point of application submission as to approval status. Awards will be made and distributed by the County of Riverside Economic Development from the California Office of the Small Business Advocate, which is executed and released in early April 2022.

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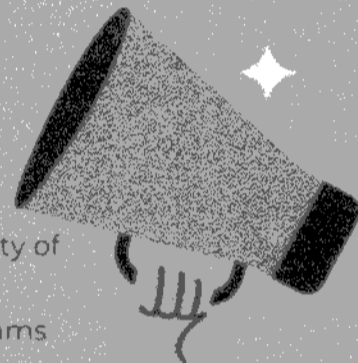
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Where & When

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April 28, 2022
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**Riverside County Innovation Month Finale Pitch Competition
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The Office of Economic Development and the City of Temecula would like to invite you to the Riverside County Pitch Finale on Wednesday, April 27th at Temecula City Hall (41000 Main Street) from 5:30PM - 7:00pm. Join us as regional fast pitch winners compete for cash prizes.

Dinner will be served at 5:30pm, the pitch competition will begin at 6:00pm.

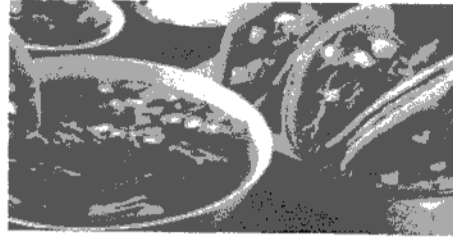
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Check out this video to hear from Michael Axelrod, CEO of [Del Real Foods](#) in the City of Jurupa Valley, as he explains how innovation is allowing their company to grow their traditional and authentic Hispanic food products throughout the United States using decades old recipes.



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more attainable in California. Built on a trailer chassis, the new line of homes can be transported by a standard truck and setup in four hours. Current prototypes offer 1-3 bedrooms, a gorgeous kitchen and many other comforts of home you would find in a standard built house, down to a fireplace. Watch this video as President/CEO, Pablo Carmona, describes

what it takes to turn your innovation into a successful business.

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Steve Ward, Founder/President of [Dream Catcher](#) talks about the importance of innovation to keep your business relevant and elaborates on how getting involved with Riverside County Innovation Month can help you connect with other valuable contacts to help grow your business. Dream Catcher is an incredible software that helps people discover their purpose and inspire purpose driven education.



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[Edge Sound Research](#) is leading the charge in audio technology and is poised to take the industry to its next major breakthrough since Dolby surround sound. The local startup is using experiential audio putting users into a heightened viewing experience. Watch as Ethan Castro, Co-Founder/CEO of Edge

Sound Research describes how innovation has led to his company's success.

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Brothers, Mack and Mike Jones, of [QwikTarp](#) talk about the early beginnings of their business and how the regional business ecosystem contributed to their startup in this video. Through support of local organizations including Coachella Valley Economic Partnership, the Small Business Development Center and SCORE, QwikTarp was able to start and grow their business in Palm Springs.



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Tesla and Apple both started from a humble beginning ... an idea. Watch as Dr. Tim Gramling describes how CBU is helping guide graduates beyond the textbooks and classrooms to take innovation into the world and create a purpose driven business.

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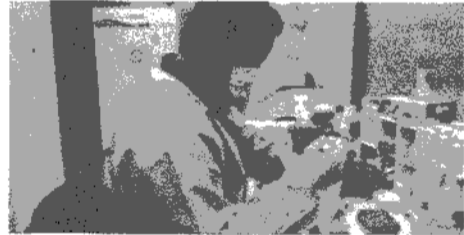
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Take a Look at These Innovative Companies that Were Highlighted During Riverside County Innovation Month!

Southwest Riverside County has exploded with growth and the [Murrieta Innovation Center](#) has helped usher groundbreaking Biotech research in the region. Watch as Jay Goth, Founding Member of Murrieta Genomics, describes the growth of life sciences including Biotechnology, medical devices and incubating innovation in Southwest Riverside County.



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[Genesis Supreme RV](#) in Perris isn't just a RV manufacturer anymore. They are always innovating. Now, their line of beautiful products includes an option to make homeownership

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EMERGING LATINA ENTREPRENEURIAL & LEADERSHIP PROGRAM

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Este programa califica para la aplicación del programa "California Dream Fund". El Fondo del Sueño de California (*California Dream Fund*) es un programa estatal de una subvención de \$35 millones de dólares que ayudará a sembrar el espíritu empresarial y la creación de pequeñas empresas apoyando a los emprendedores que comenzaron operaciones de negocios en el estado de California a partir del 1 de julio de 2019, o después de esta fecha. Los empresarios que cumplan con todos los criterios de elegibilidad y completen un programa de capacitación para el desarrollo de pequeñas empresas proporcionado por la red OCIE SBDC podrán calificar para tener la oportunidad de solicitar un subsidio único de hasta \$10,000.

El programa Emerging Latina brinda capacitación empresarial para dueños de negocios que buscan aprender cómo iniciar un nuevo negocio o hacer crecer uno existente. Este es un programa interactivo con discusión grupal, oradores expertos y resolución de problemas.

CUPO LIMITADO - 30 PERSONAS

- Identificar a la competencia y cómo diferenciarse
- Planificación estratégica de negocios
- Estrategias de ventas y mercadeo
- Licencia y permisos
- Finanzas y contabilidad
- Registros comerciales básicos
- Liderazgo empresarial
- Préstamos / fuentes de capital



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**INLAND EMPIRE SBDC CALIFORNIA DREAM FUND
TRAINING PROGRAM**

The OCIE SBDC Network is partnering with the California Office of the Small Business Advocate (CalOSBA) to provide eligible small businesses the opportunity to apply for a grant award.

The California Dream Fund is a one-time \$35 million grant program providing grants up to \$10,000 to seed entrepreneurship and small business creation for businesses started in California on or after July 1, 2019. The grant is available to qualifying businesses that meet all eligibility criteria and complete a small business training program provided by the OCIE SBDC.

Following completion of an OCIE SBDC approved program, businesses will be eligible to apply for the grant.

- Eligible business owners sign up for a program.
- Once accepted into the program, attend every training session.
- Business owners will have at least one consulting session with an OCIE SBDC consultant during the program.
- After completion of training, consulting, and requirements, eligible businesses will be referred to the grantmaking entity, Lendistry, to proceed with granting of up to \$10,000.

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**CBU College of Behavioral & Social Sciences and
The Caravanserai Project
Bring You the Mission-Driven Entrepreneurship Bootcamp
May 21, 2022, 10am-3pm in Riverside**

Troubled by a social problem that your community is facing? Do you think you have a solution?

*The Department of Social Work and
The Caravanserai Project are hosting a*

Mission-Driven Entrepreneurship Bootcamp

May 21st, 2022, 10am-3pm.

8432 Magnolia Ave, Riverside, CA 92504

Audience: Individuals and agencies passionate about social impact
(Participants must be incorporated as a non-profit or for-profit in California after July 2019 or in the process of incorporation).

Outcomes: To clarify vision, mission, and next steps; get feedback from peers; identify and discuss potential challenges; and test assumptions and goals.

\$10,000 Micro-grant: The winner of the 3-minute team pitch will be invited to join the Caravanserai Project Business Readiness Training Program and considered for the California Dream Fund Grant Program.

SPACE IS LIMITED

To sign up please register online:

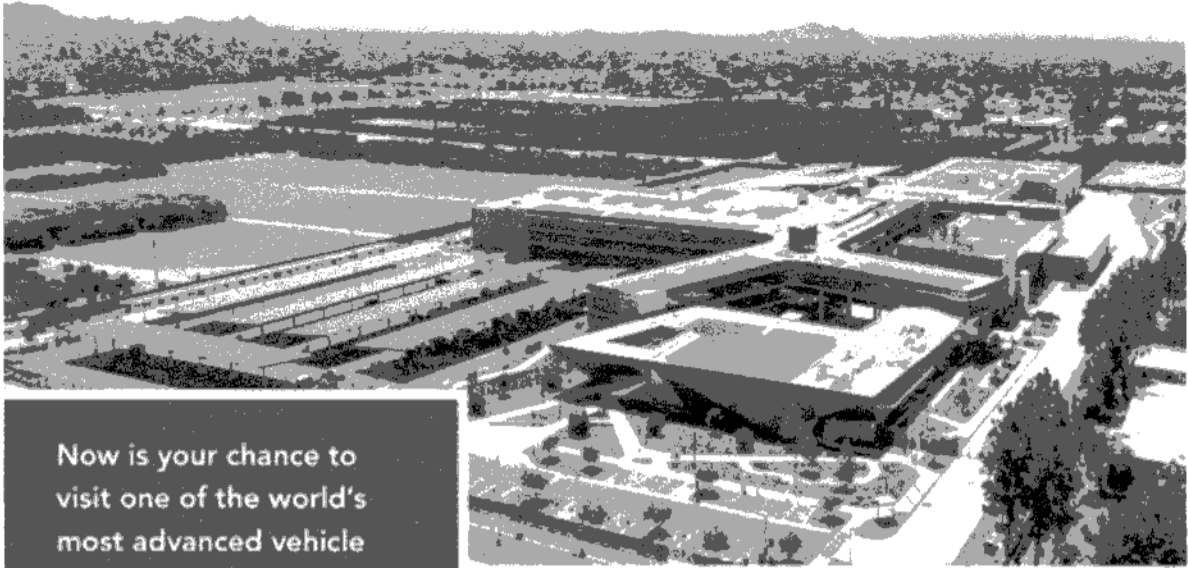
<https://www.calbaptist.edu/entrepreneurshipbootcamp>

Email Professor Breitenbucher for support: pbreitenbucher@calbaptist.edu
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Open House

Saturday, May 21, 2022 | 2:00-5:00pm

FEATURING:

- Tour labs where everything from lawn mowers to semi-trucks are tested
- See the largest art collection dedicated to air quality
- View the zero-emission truck & bus showcase
- Ride & drive zero-emission cars
- Visit interactive exhibitor booths from Riverside community

Park at UC Riverside's Lot 30 & take the zero-emission shuttle bus to CARB.



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**Interested in Learning About Foreign Trade Zones?
Attend the Riverside County International Business Academy
Workshop on May 25, 2022, 10:30am**

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International Business Academy

MAY 25, 2022

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3-Part Series - Certificate of Completion

- Foreign Trade Zones May 25th - 10:30 am
- United States-Mexico-Canada Agreement June 22nd - 10:30 am

- » Customers and Channels » Product Supply Strategy
- » Financial Strategies » Key Go-Forward Business Concepts
- » Trade and Global Logistics » Manufacturing & Supply Chain Operations
- » Demand & Supply » Innovation

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Chase for Business Presents - Building Foundations That Last Workshop

Tuesday, May 31, 2022, 11am-12pm in Riverside



BUILDING FOUNDATIONS THAT LAST

Tuesday, May 31, 2022
11am - 12pm PST

Thinking Like an Entrepreneur
Establishing a Foundation for Your Business
Developing Agility & Resilience

Riverside County Office of Economic Development
3403 Tenth Street, Suite 400
Riverside, CA 92501

Space is limited, please RSVP by May 24
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Caravanserai Project and UCR Announce the SEED Lab

Pre-Accelerator Program

Deadline To Apply is September 1, 2022

SEED Lab is an 8-month (90 hours) pre-accelerator for early-stage social entrepreneurs that was developed in partnership with the University of California – Riverside Extension. The program is designed to support the implementation of visionary ideas into similarly powerful tools to generate social impact, deepen civic engagement, and bring about empowerment and sustainable change.

[CLICK HERE](#) to learn more about Caravanserai Project.



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SUPPORTING MISSION-DRIVEN LEADERS ALONG THEIR JOURNEYS

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Wednesday
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2 de junio de 2022 a las 10 a.m.

Mi Negocio! ¡Mi Futuro! es un programa de capacitación diseñado para las solicitudes de [CA Dream Fund](#). Esta serie de seis semanas enseñará a los empresarios todas las habilidades

para iniciar su propio negocio legalmente.

Este taller se llenará rápidamente, así que no se demore, ¡regístrese hoy!



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Jueves, 2 de junio-7 de julio

3:00PM - 5:00PM

programa virtual



Clase 1

Mentalidad Empresarial
Plan de negocio
Proyección Financiera



Clase 2

Licencias
Permisos



Clase 3

Publicidad Digital
Estrategias de
ventas y mercadeo



Clase 4

Análisis y planificación
del mercado
Análisis de la
competencia



Clase 5

Establecer sus
plataformas de
redes sociales



Clase 6

Sistemas Contables
Educación Financiera
Acceso a Capital



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From John from AEM <john.lauer@aem.eco>
To <rose.corona@teamrcd.org>
Reply-To <john.lauer@aem.eco>
Date 2022-04-13 09:14



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Hi Rose,

Wildfire season is off to a quick start in North America, with California, Colorado and North Carolina experiencing recent destructive fires. Now is the time to start planning and preparing for another busy wildfire season.

Join our [upcoming webinar on Wednesday, April 27, 2022](#), where we'll discuss how wildfires are a major challenge for utilities and local agencies managing Wildland Urban Interface (WUI). This free, one-hour learning session will focus on how wildfire management agencies, local fire departments, and utilities are addressing the wildfire event curve head-on with leading monitoring tools and software.

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California Energy Commission

Grant Funding Opportunity

GFO-21-605 - Zero-Emission Transportation Manufacturing

Purpose

This is a competitive grant solicitation. The CEC's Clean Transportation Program announces the availability of up to \$60 million in grant funds for projects that will increase in-state manufacturing of zero-emission vehicles (ZEV), ZEV components and batteries, and ZEV charging or refueling equipment.

Workshop Information

There will be one Pre-Application Workshop before applications are due to the CEC. Participation in this meeting is optional but encouraged. The Pre-Application Workshop will be held remotely via Zoom at the date, time and location listed below. Please call (916) 654-4381 or refer to the CEC's solicitation information website at <https://www.energy.ca.gov/funding-opportunities/solicitations> to confirm the date and time.

April 21, 2022 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM Remote Access Only

Remote Attendance

Remote access is available by computer or phone via Zoom.

Participation Through Zoom

Zoom is the CEC's online meeting service. When attending remotely, presentations will appear on your computer/laptop/mobile device screen, and audio may be heard via the device or telephone. Please be aware that the Zoom meeting will be recorded.

Zoom Instructions: To join this workshop, go to Zoom at <https://energy.zoom.us/j/95048746304?pwd=UjFOeEVmZzlMaWJWeEN6OWFCdGhZUT09>. You may also access the workshop by going to the Zoom webpage at <https://zoom.us/join> and enter the unique webinar ID and password below:

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Technical Support:

- For assistance with problems or questions about joining or attending the meeting, please call Zoom technical support at (888) 799-9666 ext. 2, or you may contact the CEC's Public Advisor's Office at publicadvisor@energy.ca.gov, or (800) 822-6228.
- To determine whether your computer is compatible with Zoom, visit this website: <https://support.zoom.us/hc/en-us/articles/201362023-System-requirements-for-Windows-macOS-and-Linux>.

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From Wild Farm Alliance <info@wildfarmalliance.org>
To Rose Corona <rose.corona@teamrcd.org>
Date 2022-04-19 08:11



Join us for our ongoing course: *Role of Birds on Farms!*

The **Wild Farm Alliance** is providing a **FREE** training course, made up of 10 online classes, designed for agricultural professionals who work with farmers. Farmers and advocates for wild farming are free to join too. Sessions cover the latest research, tools and resources, and are given by experts in avian pest control, entomology, ornithology and conservation.

Learn more and register for our next course in the series-

Subject **Learn About Managing Pest Birds**
From Wild Farm Alliance <info@wildfarmalliance.org>
To Rose Corona <rose.corona@teamrcd.org>
Date 2022-05-02 08:20



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LESSON 5: MANAGING PEST BIRDS
Monday, May 9, 2022 at 11 AM Pacific Time

Register

Visit the [course overview](#) page to learn about the series and register for additional sessions.

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Questions? [Email us!](#)

Hope to see you soon, keep it wild!



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REGISTRAR OF VOTERS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE

April 20, 2022

RE: Local Voting Accessibility Advisory Committee – Meeting Notice

Dear Community Neighbors, Friends and VAAC Members:

You are cordially invited to attend the Riverside County Registrar of Voters Local Voting Accessibility Advisory Committee (VAAC) scheduled for Thursday, April 28, 2022 at 10AM. We will be conducting this meeting via teleconference using the Zoom video conferencing platform. **A courtesy reply is requested on or before April 25, 2022.**

The VAAC is a forum for the disability and senior communities in Riverside County to voice their concerns, advise, assist, and provide recommendations to the Registrar of Voters regarding access to the electoral process for elderly voters and voters with disabilities. Julie Caban is the department's VAAC Chair and Larry Smith is the Co-Chair for the meetings. The VAAC is open to any interested person or organization. Meetings are held on a quarterly basis.

SEE ATTACHED VAAC MEETING SCHEDULE FOR ZOOM MEETING INFORMATION,
DATE AND TIME.

The Registrar of Voters is highly interested in promoting awareness to individuals and organizations through outreach opportunities. VAAC members are encouraged to reach out to other members of the community and assist with disseminating voter materials as well as recruit potential poll workers from within their communities.

Your participation in these ongoing efforts is invaluable to the county's disability and senior communities. We encourage you to apply as a VAAC member or sincerely hope you will consider attending the upcoming VAAC meeting or appointing a representative.

Posting and/or distribution of this meeting notice to interested parties would be appreciated.

If you require further information, please call Julie Caban at (951) 486-7353 or Larry Smith at (951) 486-7202.

Sincerely,

Larry D. Smith
Elections Coordinator

Julie Caban
Elections Technician III

2720 Gateway Drive, Riverside, CA 92507-0918
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Topic: Riverside County Registrar of Voters VAAC Meeting
Time: Apr 28, 2022 10:00 AM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

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Voting Accessibility Advisory Committee
Thursday, April 28, 2022
Time: 10:00 am
AGENDA

- I. Introductions
- II. Approval of January 27, 2022 VAAC Minutes
- III. Update on Voter's Choice Act Implementation
 - Recap of the March 9th Consultation Meeting for the Disability Community and April 6th Public Hearing
 - Current Status of the Election Administration Plan (EAP)
 - Update on the Disability Community Workshop(s)
- IV. Upcoming Elections
 - June 7, 2022, Statewide Direct Primary Election
 - November 8, 2022, Consolidated General Election
- V. Update on the SOS VAAC
- VI. Public Comments/Committee Member Announcements
- VII. Adjournment/Next Meeting

Reminder: VAAC members can make suggestions by contacting our office 24 hours a day by calling (800) 773-VOTE (8683).

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Salton Sea Authority

A meeting of the Salton Sea Authority Board of Directors will be held:

Thursday, April 28, 2022

10:00 a.m.

**in person at the Coachella Valley Water District
Steve Robbins Administration Building Board Room
75515 Hovley Lane East
Palm Desert, CA
and via Zoom Webinar**

VIRTUAL ATTENDANCE

Pursuant to Assembly Bill 361, this meeting may be conducted by Zoom webinar.

Click the link below to view the agenda, supplemental materials as they become available, and instructions on how to connect to the meeting via phone, computer, or in person.

[SSA Board Meeting April 28, 2022](#)

(saltonsea.com/meetings)

This agenda is deemed final unless amended by Board action. Additional material (speaker presentations, revisions, corrections) will be added to the board packet (meeting web page) as it becomes available prior to the Board meeting.

If you would like to be informed when additional material becomes available, please notify the Board Secretary at info@saltonsea.com.

Salton Sea Authority
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Bringing Riverside County residents watershed news and updates!

Spring into a Healthy Watershed!

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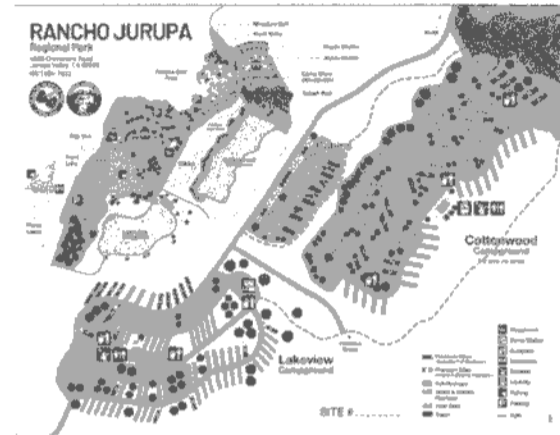
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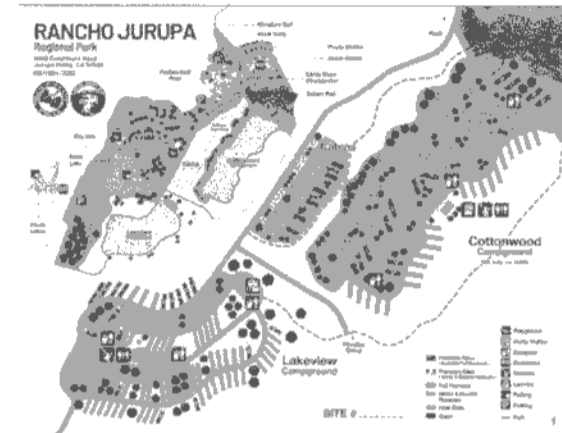
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POLLINATOR MIXES

CA PF CENTRAL REGION POLLINATOR MIX W/GRASS (\$398.00 / acre) Species in mix are of California origin. Includes (#s/ac): Yarrow-Achillea millefolium (0.09), Elegant Clarkia-Clarkia unguiculata (0.2), Farewell to spring clarkia-Clarkia amonea (0.2), Chinese houses-Collinsia heterophylla (0.3), Slender Hairgrass - Deschampsia elongata (0.11), California Poppy-Eschscholzia californica (0.4), Indian blanket-Gaillardia pulchella (0.21), Globe gilla -Gila capitata (0.15), Birds eyes gillia-Gilia tricolor (0.15), Gum Plant -Grindelia camporum (0.35), Purple needlegrass-Nassella pulchra (0.4), Baby blue eyes-Nemophila manziesii (0.3), California bluebell -Phacelia campanularia (0.35), Lacy Phacelia-Phacelia tanacetifolia (0.2), Tidy tips -Layia platyglossa (0.15).

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CA PF CENTRAL REGION MONARCH POLLINATOR MIX-INCLUDES 2 MILKWEED SPECIES (\$797.00 / acre) Species in mix are of California origin. Includes (#s/ac): Yarrow (0.05), Seashore bentgrass (0.07), Narrowleaf Milkweed (0.18), Showy Milkweed (0.28), Mountain garland (0.2), Farewell to spring clarkia (0.18), Chinese houses (0.3), Slender Hairgrass (0.14), California Poppy (0.5), Indian blanket (0.21), Globe gilla (0.15), Birds eyes gilia (0.15), Gum Plant (0.13), Purple needlegrass (0.4), Baby blue eyes (0.2), California bluebell (0.15), Lacy Phacelia (0.15), Tidy tips (0.15).

CA PF NORTH CENTRAL POLLINATOR-ALL FORB NO GRASS (\$345.00 / acre) Includes (#s/ac): Yarrow (0.12), Cicer Milkvetch (0.355), Tall Blue Cornflower (0.5), Mountain garland (0.17), Farewell to spring clarkia (0.17), Chinese houses (0.15), Lanceleaf Coreopsis (0.18), Plains Coreopsis (0.15), Cosmos (0.15), California Poppy (0.3), Glob gilla (0.16), Birds eyes gilia (0.16), Gum Plant (0.08), Birdsfood Trefoil (0.25), Golden lupine (0.13), Arroyo Lupine (0.13), Alfalfa (VNS) (1.8), Baby blue eyes (0.12), Lacy Phacelia (0.135), Crimson Clover (0.5), Hairy vetch (0.7), Tidy tips (0.1), Phacelia, Great Valley (0.08), Siberian Wallflower (0.35), Marigold, common (0.2), Yellowray Goldfields (0.12), Evening Primrose, Lamarck (0.22).

CA PF NORTH CENTRAL POLLINATOR W/GRASS (\$345.00 / acre) Includes (#s/ac): Yarrow (0.08), Seashore bentgrass (0.07), Cicer Milkvetch (0.355), Tall Blue Cornflower (0.3), Mountain garland (0.15), Farewell to spring clarkia (0.15), Chinese houses (0.15), Lanceleaf Coreopsis (0.18), Plains Coreopsis (0.15), Cosmos (0.15), Slender Hairgrass (0.07), California Poppy (0.2), Glob gilla (0.12), Birds eyes gilia (0.12), Gum Plant (0.06), Birdsfood Trefoil (0.25), Golden lupine (0.13), Arroyo Lupine (0.13), Alfalfa (VNS) (1.5), Baby blue eyes (0.1), Lacy Phacelia (0.1), Sandberg Bluegrass (0.2), Crimson Clover (0.5), Hairy vetch (0.7), Tidy tips (0.05), Phacelia, Great Valley (0.08), Siberian Wallflower (0.35), Marigold, common (0.2), Yellowray Goldfields (0.08), Evening Primrose, Lamarck (0.22).

CA PF SOUTH CENTRAL POLLINATOR ALL FORB NO GRASS (\$325.00 / acre) Includes (#s/ac): Yarrow (0.13), Cicer Milkvetch (0.2), Tall Blue Cornflower (0.35), Mountain garland (0.2), Farewell to spring clarkia (0.2), Chinese houses (0.15), Cosmos (0.15), California Poppy (0.35), Glob gilla (0.175), Birds eyes gilia (0.175), Gum Plant (0.1), Birdsfood Trefoil (0.2), Golden lupine (0.15), Arroyo Lupine (0.15), Alfalfa (VNS) (1.75), Baby blue eyes (0.11), Lacy Phacelia (0.132), Crimson Clover (0.5), Hairy vetch (0.5), Tidy tips (0.05), Phacelia, Great Valley (0.1), Marigold, common (0.2), Yellowray Goldfields (0.13), Evening Primrose, Lamarck (0.2), Fivespot (0.12), Moroccan Toadflax (0.05), Yellow Sulphur Cosmos (0.15).

POLLINATOR MIXES continued...

CA PF SOUTH CENTRAL POLLINATOR W/GRASS (\$325.00 / acre) Includes (#s/ac): Yarrow (0.13), Seashore bentgrass (0.095), Cicer Milkvetch (0.2), Tall Blue Cornflower (0.35), Mountain garland (0.14), Farewell to spring clarkia (0.14), Chinese houses (0.15), Cosmos (0.15), California Poppy (0.15), Glob gilla (0.15), Birds eyes gilia (0.15), Gum Plant (0.06), Birdsfood Trefoil (0.2), Golden lupine (0.15), Arroyo Lupine (0.15), Alfalfa (VNS) (1.5), Baby blue eyes (0.11), Lacy Phacelia (0.1), Sandberg Bluegrass (0.22), Crimson Clover (0.5), Hairy vetch (0.5), Tidy tips (0.05), Phacelia, Great Valley (0.1), Marigold, common (0.2), Yellowray Goldfields (0.08), Evening Primrose, Lamarck (0.2), Fivespot (0.12), Moroccan Toadflax (0.05), Yellow Sulphur Cosmos (0.15).

WILDLIFE RANGE MIXES

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CA PF UPLAND GRASS/WILDFLOWER NESTING COVER MIX (\$398.00 / acre) Includes (#s/ac): Seashore bentgrass (0.135), California brome (2), Mountain garland (0.08), Farewell to spring clarkia (0.08), Lanceleaf Coreopsis (0.15), Plains Coreopsis (0.1), Slender Hairgrass (0.22), Wildrye, Blue (1), Wildrye, Creeping (0.4), Nodding needlegrass (0.38), Purple needlegrass (0.4), Lacy Phacelia (0.11).

CA PF BROOD REARING POLLINATOR MIX A (\$143.00 / acre) Species origins are outside of California. Includes (#s/ac): Yarrow (0.07), Showy Milkweed (0.25), Cicer Milkvetch (1), Yellow Beeflower (0.2), Rocky Mountain Beeplant (0.2), Plains Coreopsis (0.06), Wildrye, Blue (0.8), Blanket Flower (0.5), Annual Sunflower (0.5), Maximillian Sunflower (0.5), Blue Flax (0.5), Alfalfa (VNS) (1), White Sweetclover (0.16), Yellow Sweetclover (0.16), Sainfoin (3), Lacy Phacelia (0.1), Sandberg Bluegrass (0.3), Black-eyed Susan (0.05).

CA PF BROOD REARING POLLINATOR MIX B (\$172.00 / acre) Species origins are outside of California. Includes (#s/ac): Yarrow (0.07), Showy Milkweed (0.2), Farewell to spring clarkia (0.4), Rocky Mountain Beeplant (0.3), Lanceleaf Coreopsis (0.4), Wildrye, Blue (1), Rubber rabbitbrush (0.2), California Poppy (0.3), Blanket Flower (0.5), Indian blanket (0.35), Glob gilla (0.03), Annual Sunflower (0.7), Blue Flax (0.4), Birdsfood Trefoil (0.25), Evening primrose (0.4), Lacy Phacelia (0.2), Sandberg Bluegrass (0.2), Bluebunch Wheatgrass (0.4), Crimson Clover (0.2), Hairy vetch (0.35).

CA PF DENSE NESTING COVER (\$76.00 / acre) Species origins are outside of California. Includes (#s/ac): Orchardgrass (0.6), Wildrye, Blue (1.7), Slender Wheatgrass (2), Annual Sunflower (0.5), Maximillian Sunflower (0.6), Alfalfa (VNS) (1.25), Yellow Sweetclover (0.2), Sandberg Bluegrass (0.45), Tall Wheatgrass (3).

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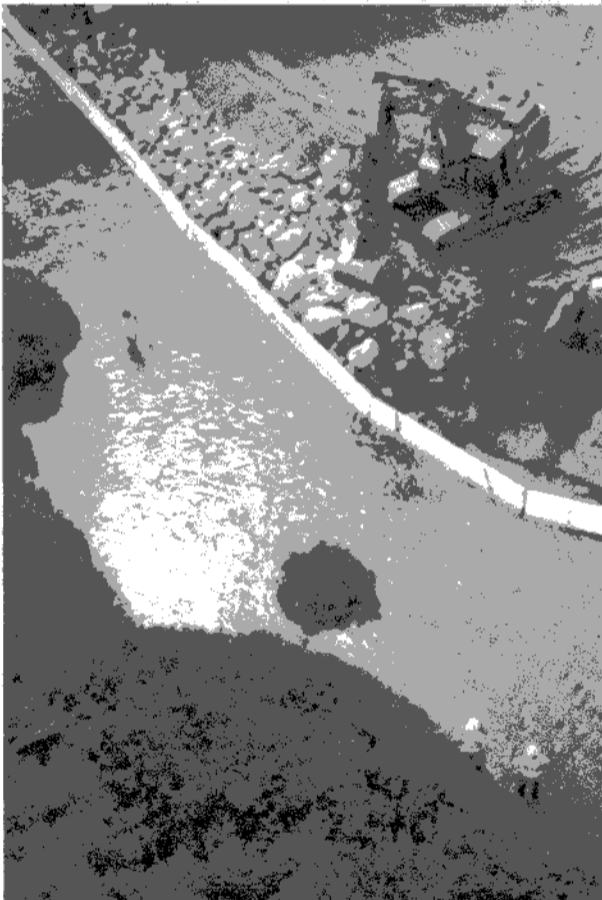
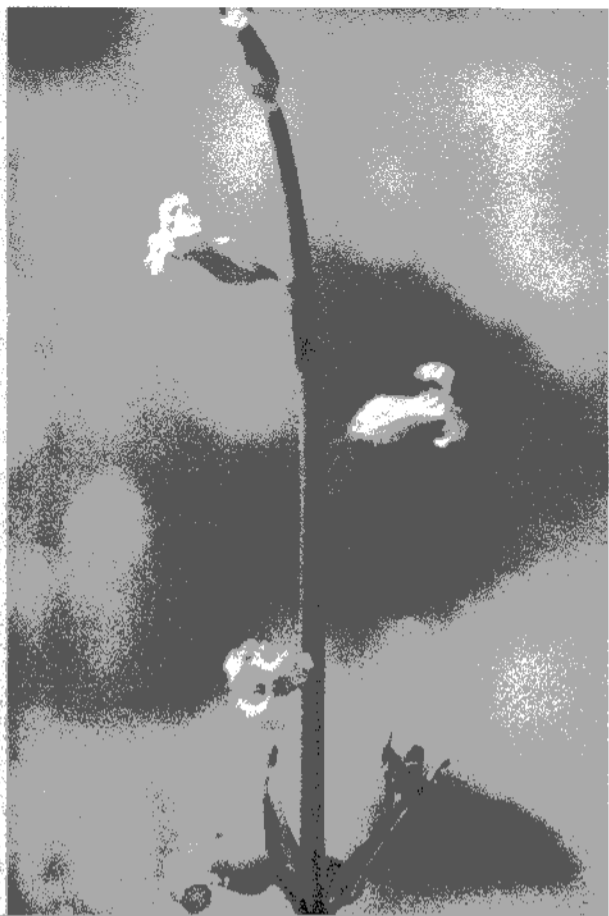
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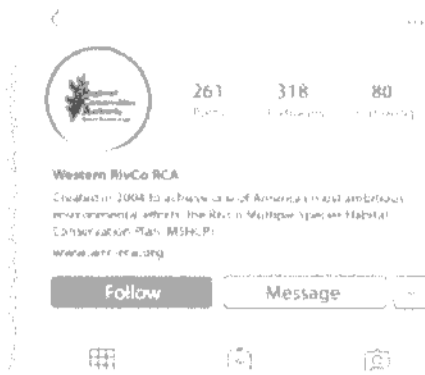
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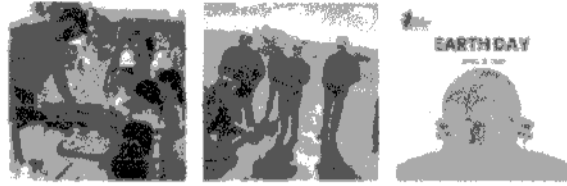
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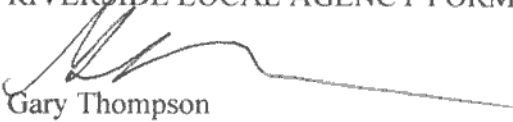
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
OF THE RIVERSIDE LOCAL AGENCY
FORMATION COMMISSION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing will be held before the **Riverside Local Agency Formation Commission on Thursday, May 26, 2022, at 8:30 a.m.** on the proposals listed below. This meeting will be held in the Board of Supervisors Meeting Room, County Administrative Center, 1st Floor, 4080 Lemon Street, Riverside, California. If members of the public would like to participate in the meeting, they may do so in-person or via teleconference. Details of electronic participation will be available when the agenda is posted, at least 72 hours in advance of the Commission meeting.

1. Final Budget for Fiscal Year 2022/23.

The above does not necessarily reflect the order in which the items will be heard. Previously continued items may not appear on this notice. Staff reports are available for download from our website at www.lafco.org, **approximately one week prior to the hearing date** or you may submit a written request for a proposal listed above and one will be sent to you. For additional information call (951) 369-0631.

RIVERSIDE LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION


Gary Thompson
Executive Officer
May 4, 2022

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THURSDAY, APRIL 21ST, 12PM-2:30PM

DRAFT Agenda

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Check-In

12:10 PM

Welcome from IERCD Board of Directors
Roll Call
SoCal Inland Region Chair Vacancy

12:20

AB 1902 Presentation and Discussion - CARCD/Pacific Policy Group and SoCal Inland Region Members and Partners

1:55

Speak-Off Topic

2:00

Partner Reports
National Resources Conservation Service
California Department of Conservation
National Association of Conservation Districts
SoCal Inland Region RCDs

2:25

Set Next Meeting Host

2:30

Adjourn

RCD Concerns – AB 1902

Resource conservation districts (RCDs) play a vital role in the State to protect water, soil, habitat and other natural resources for current and future generations. Division 9 of the Public Resources Code was specifically adopted to promote and implement natural resource conservation and land stewardship objectives and any changes to it must be carefully considered, with a meaningful opportunity for participation by all RCDs, to ensure that RCDs can continue to play a crucial role in achievement of these objectives. After extensive research, a group of resource conservation districts has identified significant concerns regarding the proposed language in AB 1902, a bill intended to change the Division 9 authorities of RCDs.

Although our group understands that Assembly Member Aguiar-Curry's intent in sponsoring AB 1902 on behalf of the California Association of Resource Conservation Districts (CARCD) was to strengthen RCDs, we believe a number of the proposed revisions to Division 9 will instead create unintended and significant consequences for RCDs and potentially harm, rather than advance, RCDs' ability to continue to assist the State of California in land stewardship and natural resource conservation. We are particularly concerned with revisions that would potentially curtail RCDs' long-standing ability to provide services to the agricultural and watershed constituents who rely on us for flexible, state-of-the-art assistance to remain viable in today's economic and environmental climate.

There are three primary concerns: (1) all RCDs have not been made aware of or consulted regarding the proposed legislation; (2) by largely restating and duplicating the RCDs' existing purposes under Public Resources Code sections 9001 and 9151, but describing those purposes as "added," the proposed language in Section 6 of the bill could have the effect of restricting rather than expanding RCDs' programs and activities; and (3) there appear to be additional process requirements that would result in unfunded mandates and other problems.

Specific information regarding these concerns is as follows:

1. The process to review, discuss and approve the proposed amendments to RCDs' enabling authorities was not inclusive.

At the outset, it is important to understand that CARCD is a voluntary, membership-based organization. Accordingly, it should not be assumed and has not been shown that CARCD's proposed changes and amendments to Division 9 represent the viewpoints of or collective input from all or a majority of the State's RCDs. As a nonprofit association with limited staff capacity, CARCD specifically represents and communicates with member RCDs that pay dues (up to \$5,000/year), attend meetings and voluntarily subscribe to CARCD's listservs. Given this, there are many RCDs – perhaps as many as 40-45% of the State's 95 RCDs – that have not been made aware of this important legislation that will potentially change their authorities and create unfunded mandates. This is not a minor issue as Division 9 is the governing statute for all RCDs in the State and the proposed changes will affect every RCD. We firmly believe that all of the State's RCDs need to be given a chance to review and provide input before this significant legislation moves forward.

2. By purporting to “add” purposes and authorities that RCDs already serve and possess under existing law, Section 6 of the bill as written could be read to limit RCDs’ existing purposes and authorities instead of expanding or strengthening them, and could be misinterpreted by LAFCOs to constrain ongoing RCD programs and activities.

Section 6 of the bill proposes to amend Public Resources Code section 9151 to *add* a second category of purposes for which RCDs may be created. However, based on our review, proposed Section 9151(b) largely restates what RCDs are already empowered to do within their existing authorities. More specifically, under Public Resources Code sections 9001 and 9151, RCDs already have authority to provide a wide range of resource conservation services, and many are already implementing innovative programs and undertaking activities that contribute to the State’s climate and other natural resource conservation policies and goals. Rather than being outdated or unduly limited in their purposes and services, the Department of Conservation (DOC) has described RCDs as “a vital link between federal, state, and local programs, helping these agencies meet their conservation goals.” DOC has highlighted that RCDs conduct the following activities:¹

- Watershed planning and management
- Water conservation
- Water quality protection and enhancement
- Agricultural land conservation
- Soil and water management on non-agricultural lands
- Wildlife habitat enhancement
- Wetland conservation
- Recreational land restoration
- Irrigation management
- Conservation education
- Forest stewardship
- Fuels management
- Urban resource conservation.

Other federal, state, local, and private partners have similarly recognized RCDs’ important role and work in contributing to achievement of the State’s *current* natural resource conservation and enhancement goals.^{2 3} Changing the code to specifically authorize RCDs to implement their resource management and conservation purposes in a manner that is appropriate to current and predicted climate conditions is unnecessary and would potentially set a harmful precedent.

¹ Department of Conservation, “Resource Conservation District Assistance Program,” available at <https://www.conservation.ca.gov/dlrp/RCD>.

² See, e.g., NRCS, “National Grant Funds Wildfire Mitigation and Soil Health Through California Resource Conservation Districts,” available at <https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/detail/ca/newsroom/releases/?cid=nrcseprd1580415>.

³ See, e.g., AB9, Wood. Fire safety and prevention: wildfires: fire adapted communities: Office of the State Fire Marshal: community wildfire preparedness and mitigation available at https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billTextClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220AB9.

In addition to being unnecessary, it is not clear how the proposed changes to Section 9151 would affect RCDs' continued and future ability to undertake activities covered by existing Section 9151(a), but specifically listed in proposed Section 9151(b), without further approval by the relevant Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO). We are concerned the "addition" of a service or activity listed in Section 9151(b) could render it "a new or different function or class of services" for which an RCD would have to seek LAFCO's approval under California Government Code section 56824.12 prior to implementing. The legislative digest does not acknowledge or address this issue.

If the proposed changes to Section 9151 could lead to RCDs having to seek LAFCO approval for functions and classes of services that they are already have and are providing under existing statutory authority, it would lead to bureaucratic inefficiencies, potential disruption to ongoing RCD programs, and could also limit RCDs' ability to accomplish their missions related to resource conservation. The potential impact of this is documented in the 2021 San Diego LAFCO's RCD Municipal Service Review,⁴ which separated out several historical functions of RCDs, including soil erosion, erosion stabilization, and agricultural enhancement, as "latent service functions" for one or more of the reviewed RCDs, and indicated that LAFCO approval would be required before those services could be provided going forward. Thus, the proposed legislation could interfere with rather than advance the work of RCDs and California's resource conservation program more broadly.

3. The proposed legislation includes unfunded mandates.

AB 1902 proposes changes to the requirements and scope of long-range and annual plans and reports under Section 9413. In particular, it mandates that *if* RCDs prepare and update long-range and annual plans and annual district reports, such work must be done in a very specific manner. While many RCDs already undertake planning and reporting consistent with Section 9413, not all RCDs have resources to do so, and the State does not currently reimburse RCDs for costs associated with those activities. Additionally, we understand that DOC's policy has been to require this reporting in order to access DOC-administered funding opportunities and that it may adopt a similar policy to access the baseline funding under the proposed \$10 million budget allocation included in the proposed legislation. This appears to constitute an undisclosed and impermissible unfunded mandate.

Furthermore, while we agree that RCDs should be encouraged to share their plans and reports with local governments, other partners, and constituents – as many already do – the purpose of mandating distribution to just one government body, the County Board of Supervisors, is not clear. As RCDs are independent special agencies, it seems appropriate that procedures for distribution of plans, reports, and other materials should be left to their discretion. To require them to do otherwise amounts to an unfunded mandate.

⁴ See San Diego County Local Agency Formation Commission; Resource Conservation Districts Municipal Service Review; February 2021; <https://www.sdlafco.org/home/showpublisheddocument/5790/637607452364270000>.

The unintended expansion of LAFCO oversight over the approval of “latent” powers of RCDs, as discussed above, would result in an undisclosed and impermissible unfunded mandate. This is readily apparent in the recent events involving the San Diego LAFCO, where an RCD was directed to apply for and receive LAFCO approval to provide services (and pay application and proceeding fees for) that LAFCO had deemed “new” due to advances in conservation management (e.g., carbon farm planning) or “latent” because the RCD had not offered them before or recently (e.g., erosion stabilization). A brief online search of LAFCO fees indicates these types of applications can cost in the thousands of dollars – for example, San Diego LAFCO’s application fee ranges from \$6,405 to over \$12,000⁵ – and there would be no guarantee that an application for activation of latent powers would be approved by a County’s LAFCO. This would be an undue and impermissible burden on RCDs throughout the State.

In summary, to avoid the unintended impacts and unfunded mandates we have outlined above, we believe a more thorough vetting of proposed amendments needs to be done, and that all RCDs need to be provided an opportunity to participate. This process will likely take longer than the amount of time remaining for this legislative session so, in the alternative, we are also working with the author’s office on potential amendments to address these concerns and give RCDs the time they need to review and approve changes to their legal authorities.

Submitted by Stephanie Moreno, Executive Director of Guadalupe-Coyote RCD, on behalf of a group of RCDs concerned with AB 1902.

⁵ San Diego LAFCO; Fee Schedule; Latent Power Establishments;
<https://www.sdlafco.org/home/showpublisheddocument/3038/636954305452070000>

Subject **Farm and Ranch Cleanup Grant Updates: FR75 Awards, New Email Address, FY22-23 Application Period**
From Farm and Ranch Cleanup Grant Listserv
<FarmandRanch@calrecycle.ca.gov>
To <rose.corona@teamrcd.org>
Date 2022-04-18 19:52



- Final Award RFA - FR75.pdf (~44 KB)

Hello Farm and Ranch Cleanup Grant Listserv Members:

To keep everyone apprised of grant cleanup projects, here's the list* of cycle **FR75 Awardees** to be announced at CalRecycle's April 19, 2022 Public Meeting tomorrow. Congratulations!

- Humboldt County RCD
- Pit River Tribe
- Tuolumne Band of Me-Wuk Indians

*The Temecula-Anza-Elsinore-Murrieta (TEAM) RCD and Fresno County are also recommended for award. However, because this cycle was oversubscribed, these applicants' awards are pending any additional available funding.

New Grant Email Address: farmandranch@calrecycle.ca.gov

- Previous Grant Manager, Stephanie Becker, is transitioning to Illegal Dumping - Analyst & Technical Advisory Committee Coordinator at CalRecycle, assisting in limited capacity. Welcome Cathy Aggergaard as interim Grant Manager!

The **Fiscal Year 2022-23 application period** (Notice of Funds Available – cycles FR76, FR77, FR78) will officially open Spring/Summer 2022. A Listserv message will announce the opening, and at that point our Grants Management System (GMS) will be set-up to receive cycle FR76 applications. The FY22-23 Criteria is available.

Although CalRecycle is not “technically” ready yet to receive new grant submissions, grant inquiries are available year-round. If you are considering a submission, it is suggested to email farmandranch@calrecycle.ca.gov in advance (thank you to those that continue to do so).

Thank You!

For more information go to the [Farm and Ranch Solid Waste Cleanup and Abatement Grant Program webpage](#). To unsubscribe from the Farm and Ranch Cleanup Grant listserv, please go to <https://www2.calrecycle.ca.gov/Listservs/Unsubscribe/145>.

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Request for Approval

To: **Zoe Heller**
Acting Deputy Director, Materials Management and Local Assistance
Division

From: **Michelle Martin**
Branch Chief, Financial Resources Management Branch

Request Date: **March 29, 2022**

Decision Subject: Awards for the Farm and Ranch Solid Waste Cleanup and Abatement Grant Program (Farm and Ranch Solid Waste Cleanup and Abatement Account, Fiscal Year 2021–22)

Action By: April 19, 2022

Summary of Request

Staff requests approval of grant awards for the third cycle of the Farm and Ranch Solid Waste Cleanup and Abatement Grant Program (Program), fiscal year (FY) 2021–22. Staff received 5 eligible applications totaling \$776,645 in eligible costs for this competitive grant program cycle. A remaining amount of \$337,614 from FY 2021–22 funds and an additional \$40,000 from a recent settlement is available for awarding this third cycle. Staff recommends three eligible applicants (including one that is partially funded) listed in rank order in Table 2. Table 3 includes three applicants (including one partially funded) in rank order eligible for award if additional funds become available.

Funding

The FY 2021–22 Budget Act allocates \$1,000,000 to the Farm and Ranch Solid Waste Cleanup and Abatement Account for the Program after subtracting for administrative costs. Funds are transferred from the Integrated Waste Management Fund, California Tire Recycling Management Fund, and California Used Oil Recycling Fund. The Program encompasses three cycles per fiscal year.

CalRecycle also received an additional one-time authority of \$40,000 through a settlement with Builder Services Group, Inc., DBA TruTeam of California to the Farm and Ranch Solid Waste Cleanup and Abatement Account for FY 2021–22.

Table 1. Funding

| Fund Source | Amount Available | Amount to Fund Item | Amount Remaining | Line Item |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|---------------------|------------------|-------------------------|
| Farm and Ranch Solid Waste Cleanup and Abatement Account (FY 2021–22) | \$377,614 ¹ | \$377,614 | \$0 | State Operations/Grants |

Background and Findings

Statutory Authority

Public Resources Code (PRC) section 48100 et seq. authorizes CalRecycle to award grants to public entities and Native American tribes for the purposes of cleaning up and abating the effects of illegally disposed waste on farm and ranch property owned by innocent parties. The grants are awarded to eligible entities on behalf of the property owner. PRC Section 48103(e) and 14 CCR 17992.2(a) allow a farm and ranch property owner to receive reimbursement, through a public entity, for solid waste cleanup or abatement costs under the Program.

Program Background

Properties eligible for grants include those involving a broad range of agricultural activities (e.g., farms, ranches, horticulture activities, and silviculture activities) where the property owner is not responsible for the illegal disposal based on a determination by the city, county, resource conservation district, or tribe. The Program's funding is primarily used to pay for the removal and proper disposal of small nuisance illegal dump sites containing non-hazardous solid waste, including but not limited to, tires and incidental amounts of household hazardous materials, and for site security measures to prevent recurrence of illegal disposal after the projects are completed.

A property owner is not an eligible applicant. Property owners must work with eligible applicants to clean up their property. Eligible applicants for the Program include cities, counties, resource conservation districts, and federally recognized Native American tribes.

Applicants may apply for up to \$200,000 per fiscal year, and each eligible site shall not exceed \$50,000. Grantees may not expend more than seven percent of the grant for administrative costs.

Each property owner, or an authorized agent for the property owner, must submit a signed Property Access Authorization and Non-Responsibility Affidavit (affidavit) before a site can be remediated. The affidavit states that neither the property owner, nor any other person allowed on the property, directed, authorized, permitted, or otherwise consented to the disposal of solid waste onto their property. Furthermore, each application includes a statement by the applicant supporting the property owner's affidavit.

Applications for illegal disposal sites previously remediated by the property owner are eligible if the site can be adequately documented with photographs and disposal receipts.

¹ Includes a \$40,000 settlement from Builder Services Group, Inc.

Criteria and Process

The Eligibility and Evaluation Process was discussed at the June 15, 2021, CalRecycle public meeting and subsequently approved by the Deputy Director. The Notice of Funds Available was placed on the CalRecycle website on June 29, 2021. The eligibility and evaluation process covers FYs 2021–22 and 2022–23 and allows for continuation of the pilot project for the third cycle of those two fiscal years. The purpose of the pilot project is to encourage more applicants to apply when the Program is undersubscribed in the first two cycles. The pilot project extends the deadline for some application documents.

Applications for this cycle were due February 10, 2022, with a secondary due date of March 10, 2022 for the Resolution. Staff received five applications requesting \$776,645 and reviewed them for completeness and eligibility. All submissions are pilot program applications, eligible, and recommended for funding. However, because this cycle was oversubscribed, only three of the five applications will receive funding; two will be fully funded and one will be partially funded. Applications that identified specific sites and provided the most information were ranked highest in accordance with the approved eligibility criteria and evaluation process. The Tuolumne Band of Me-Wuk Indians requested \$162,643, but they can only be partially funded given the remainder of available funding. Pending award, the tribe confirmed the project(s) will still be completed if additional funds do not become available.

If additional funding becomes available, staff recommends awarding List B applicants, as identified in Table 3.

Humboldt County Resource Conservation District

Number of Sites: 2

Grant Funds Recommended for Approval: \$85,100

The Humboldt County Resource Conservation District is requesting funds to cleanup an illegal trespass cannabis cultivation operation located on a 40-acre rural agricultural private property. The owners were not aware of the operation and do not live in the area. The property includes several waterways of various classifications. There is an extensive amount of leftover material/waste, so the project has been split into two sites. The bottom half of the property will be addressed with these funds. After completing cleanup efforts, a locked gate will be installed and the owners plan to develop neighborhood watch communications to ensure they are notified if future trespass or vandalism activities occur on the property.

Pit River Tribe

Number of Sites: 3

Grant Funds Recommended for Approval: \$130,000

The Pit River Tribe is seeking funds for illegal dumping cleanup and prevention measures on three tribal properties: the 79-acre floodplain behind the tribal casino, part of the Windy Point Reservation, and a turnoff by Hat Creek. These sites contain cars, appliances, construction debris, tires, camp trailers, furniture, material left behind by unsheltered populations, and more. Prevention measures include heavy duty gates, potential signage, or camera strategies. The

tribe was previously awarded funding for two other cleanup sites completed last year. Those sites remain a success story and are still free from debris.

Tuolumne Band of Me-Wuk Indians

Number of Sites: 4

Grant Funds Recommended for Approval: \$162,514

The Tuolumne Band of Me-Wuk Indians is seeking funding for illegal dumping cleanup and prevention measures for four dump sites located on Norton and Bartholomew tribal properties. Due to the vacant land and ungated access, illegal dumping has been occurring for several years on these properties. Both Tuolumne County and the tribe have seen a recent rise in illegal dumping. Volunteer cleanup efforts continue, however because of the lack of equipment, the tribe's illegal dumping strategies cannot be fully pursued. Funds will also be used to purchase a roll-off truck, dumpsters, and trailer, as well as pay for various types of prevention measures to assist with the tribe's long-term illegal dumping strategy.

Recommendation

Staff recommends approval of three grant awards as listed below for \$377,614.

Table 2. Recommended Awards - List A

| Applicant | Award Amount |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|
| Humboldt County Resource Conservation District | \$85,100 |
| Pit River Tribe | \$130,000 |
| Tuolumne Band of Me-Wuk Indians (<i>Partially Funded</i>) | \$162,514 |
| Total Award | \$377,614 |

Table 3. Recommended Awards - (if additional funds become available) - List B

| Applicant | Recommended Amount |
|----------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Tuolumne Band of Me-Wuk Indians (<i>Partially Funded</i>) | \$129 |
| Temecula-Anza-Elsinore-Murrieta Resource Conservation District | \$199,002 |
| Fresno County | \$200,000 |
| Total Recommended | \$399,131 |

Deputy Director Action

On the basis of the information and analysis in this Request for Approval and the findings set out herein, I hereby conditionally approve the grant awards for the Farm and Ranch Solid Waste Cleanup and Abatement Grant Program as listed in Table 2. Each proposed grantee's award is subject to two conditions:

1. The recommended grantee must pay all outstanding debts due to CalRecycle, or bring current any outstanding payments owed to CalRecycle, within 60 days of the date of the award email.
2. The recommended grantee's Signature Authority (or where delegation is authorized, his or her Designee) must sign and return the Grant Agreement to CalRecycle. The signed Grant Agreement must be received by CalRecycle within 60 days of the date of the award email.

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Zoe Heller
Acting Deputy Director

Dated

Hello Teri –

Very sorry to be tardy on this – I was hoping to have the [Factsheet](#) [also attached] updated reply, but I think it'll take a little awhile longer (with the new Farm and Ranch Grant email ed). I'll plan to share the new version when updated.

Here are some RCD examples:

- <https://sutterrccd.specialdistrict.org/cal-recycle>
- <https://www.bccrd.org/cleaning-up-illegal-dumps>
- <https://www.honeylakevalleyrcd.us/farm-and-ranch-solid-waste-cleanup-and-abatement-program-cal-recycle>

The [main FR grant webpage](#) has some *Model Projects*, but they are older(—reminds me to check on the status of the latest one!)

Other thoughts:

- "Property Owner Request for Cleanup" – probably the best initial advice to give them you/them can start making a case. As you all know, the FR Forms should remain available [here](#); perhaps some landowners are comfortable filling them out w/ a little guidance
 - Guidance
 - Your own version/messaging of this ([page 28](#); FY21-22) could be best. *Application Guidelines and Instructions doc* gets updated yearly, though messaging shouldn't change much.
 - Regulations. Dry, but sometimes nice to have something even more on [Article 5](#).
- Again these shouldn't change much, but perhaps mention some pieces/add some [Project Eligibility Questions](#) too in messaging; FY21-22 (also [page 6-7](#)) – want to make sure these are met [ask Grant Manager if clarification if needed, or answer]

Sidenotes:

- I still need to email Yvonne (CVRCD) about this too, but the [IVAN Community](#) may be you'd like to connect with.
- Rose, I know you're subscribed, but direct certain parties to the [Farm and Ranch Grant Listserv](#) for important updates (and manage what times of year to focus on the grant).

Let me know if I missed anything!

I plan to stay in touch 😊

Stephanie L. Becker

Illegal Dumping - Technical Advisory Committee Coordinator & Associate Analyst
Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle)

O: 916.341.6484 | [Illegal Dumping Resources](#)



Cc: Rose Corona rose.corona@teamrcd.org; James Law jlaw@sawatershed.org
Subject: Looking forward

[[EXTERNAL]]

Hi Stephanie,

Rose has asked that we put our recent disappointing experience behind us and concentrate on building the program we have embarked on.

To that end, I wonder if you have any promotional material you could share with us? I am doing outreach to a region of our district that experiences the kinds of issues your grant is addressing.

We will likely be working up our own literature and would appreciate having your brochure material to distribute as additional info.

Best,

Teri

Sent from my iPhone



Farm and Ranch Solid Waste Cleanup and Abatement Grant Program

What is the Farm and Ranch Grant Program?

The Farm and Ranch Solid Waste Cleanup and Abatement Grant Program provides funding from the California Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) for the cleanup of illegal solid waste sites on farm or ranch property.

Grants are limited to \$50,000 per cleanup or abatement project, with a limit of \$200,000 per year for each eligible applicant.

What is Farm or Ranch Property?

Farm or ranch property is property that is used for rangeland or agricultural activities such as, but not limited to, commercial livestock and crop production, horticulture, aquaculture, silviculture, floriculture, vermiculture, and viticulture. Farm or ranch property can be publicly or privately owned and need not have active sales or production, but must be appropriately zoned or otherwise authorized for agricultural activities.

Who Is Eligible to Apply for the Grant?

Only cities, counties, resource conservation districts, and federally recognized Native American tribes may apply. Property owners who desire grant funding to clean up their



Illegal disposal site in Stanislaus County.

property must work with one of the entities listed above. See the "Need More Information?" section for contact information.

What Sites Are Eligible for Grants?

Sites may be eligible for grant funding if the property meets all of the following criteria:

- Unauthorized solid waste disposal has occurred on a farm or ranch parcel(s).
- Property is in need of cleanup to abate a nuisance or public health and safety threat and/or a threat to the environment.
- The owner is not responsible for the illegally disposed waste.
- Property is zoned or otherwise authorized for agricultural activities.

What Cleanup Activities May This Grant Money be Used For?

Eligible expenses include, but are not limited to:

- Waste removal and disposal
- Recycling
- Personnel to administer the grant
- Drainage control and grading improvement
- Slope and foundation stabilization
- Equipment rental
- Excavation
- Revegetation
- Site security
- Public education
- Removal of chlorofluorocarbons (CFC)
- Administrative costs up to 7 percent of the cleanup costs expended

Can a Property Owner Get Reimbursed for a Previous Cleanup?

Yes. Reimbursement of costs previously incurred by a farm or ranch property owner for cleanup or abatement of an illegal solid waste site is allowed. However, verification and

documentation must be provided to clearly show that:

- Eligibility criteria have been met (see “What sites are eligible for grants?”).
- Costs incurred were used specifically for the cleanup or abatement work.

Whenever possible, property owners should coordinate with one of the eligible grant recipients prior to cleanup.

How do I get a Grant Application?

The Application is now online in CalRecycle’s web-based Grants Management System (GMS). There are three grant cycles each year.

Need More Information?

To locate a Resource Conservation District office that may be able to apply for a grant on your behalf, contact:

California Association of Resource Conservation Districts

Phone: (916) 457-7904, Ext.10

Fax: (916) 457-7934

www.carcd.org

To locate a city or county office that may be able to apply for a grant on your behalf, or for more information about the Farm and Ranch Grant Program, contact:

Stephanie Becker, Farm and Ranch Grant Program Manager

Phone: (916) 341-6484

Email: Stephanie.Becker@calrecycle.ca.gov

General information and the online application package are available at

<http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/LEA/GrantsLoans/FarmRanch/>

Other CalRecycle Grants for Illegal Dumping

Local Government Waste Tire Cleanup Grants and Waste Tire Amnesty Grants

These are grants available to local government entities (including local enforcement agencies [LEA]), county and city departments, special districts and California Native American organizations. Grants are awarded on a competitive basis for the removal, transportation, recycling, and disposal of waste tires from illegal tire piles and areas where illegal dumping has occurred along public rights-of-way. The Tire Amnesty Grant Program funds amnesty events for the public to bring in their tires to convenient locations at no charge.

Solid Waste Disposal Site Cleanup Grants

These are competitive grants available to public entities. These grants can finance remediation projects at solid waste disposal sites where there is a threat to public health and safety or the environment, and where the responsible party is unable or unwilling to perform the timely remediation or is unidentified.

The CalRecycle website offers more information on these and other grant programs:

<http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Funding/>

NEW BUSINESS



IERCD Field Report Form 2022

| | |
|---------|-----------------------|
| NAME | Kevin Harrington |
| DATE | 4/19/22 |
| PROJECT | Greer Ranch (TEAMRCD) |

Work Conducted

On the 19th of April the IERCD field crew drove out to Murrieta to perform invasive species control at Greer Ranch, one of TEAMRCD restoration sites. Kevin Harrington had been on site earlier in the year (January 25th) and had determined priority areas based off that site visit. With those observations, it was concluded that Conservation Easement 7 [CE7 (Crabapple St and Bowervine Pl)] would be the best parcel to focus the team's efforts on, due to the amount of invasive forbes present. Upon arriving, the crew first checked out the norther portion of CE7 to determine what type of management was needed. All target species (short-pod mustard, tocalote, and stinknet) were actively seeding, which meant that plants would need to be hand pulled and bagged. By the end of the field day the crew made it through about 0.15 acres of CE7, removing a total of 5 trash bags worth of invasive plants from the area. All bags were loaded into the work truck and hauled offsite. Although we made good progress, we still had not fully finished clearing invasives from this particular area.

Notable Plant Phenology

- Short-pod mustard (*Hirschfeldia incana*): Flowering with immature seed pods
- Tocalote (*Centaurea melitensis*): Flower buds present
- Stinknet (*Oncosiphon piluliferum*): Flowering

Bird Nesting Avoidance Measures

Invasive removals took part during bird nesting season. Treatment area was observed for nesting activity before work began. No bird scolds were noted during the workday and no negative impacts to nesting birds occurred.

Quantitative Measures

- Three invasive species targeted
- 0.15 acres treated
- 5 trash bags of removed plants were hauled offsite

Notable Observation/Events

N/A

Photos

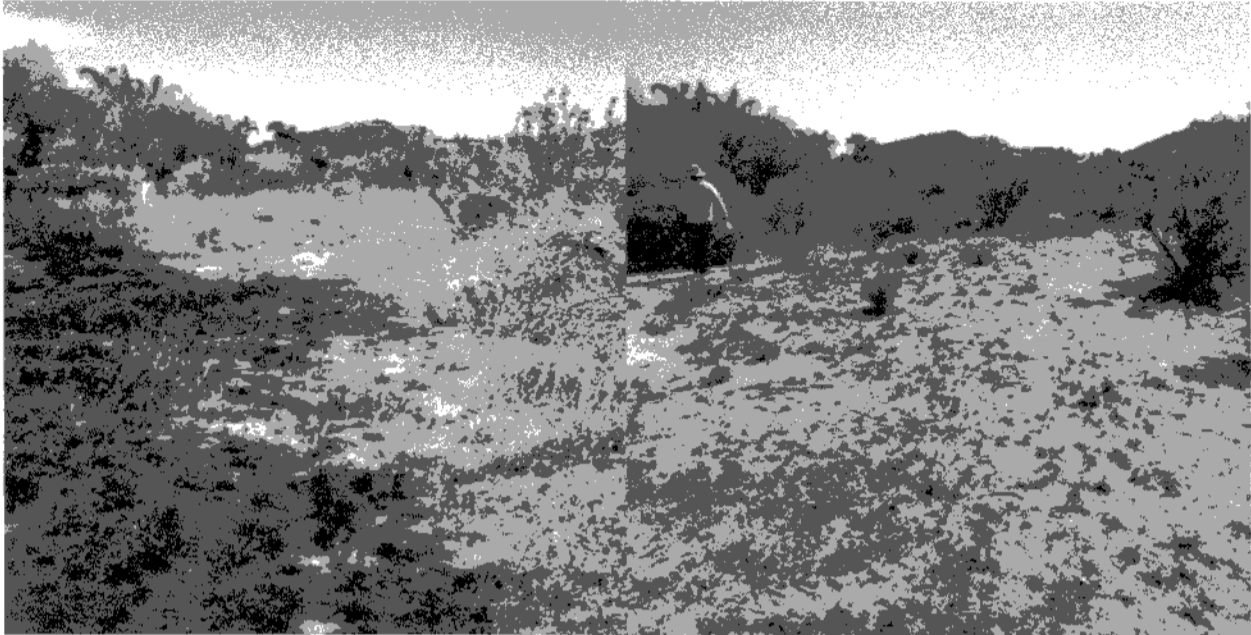


Photo 1: CE7 before (left) and after (right) pictures of invasive plant management.

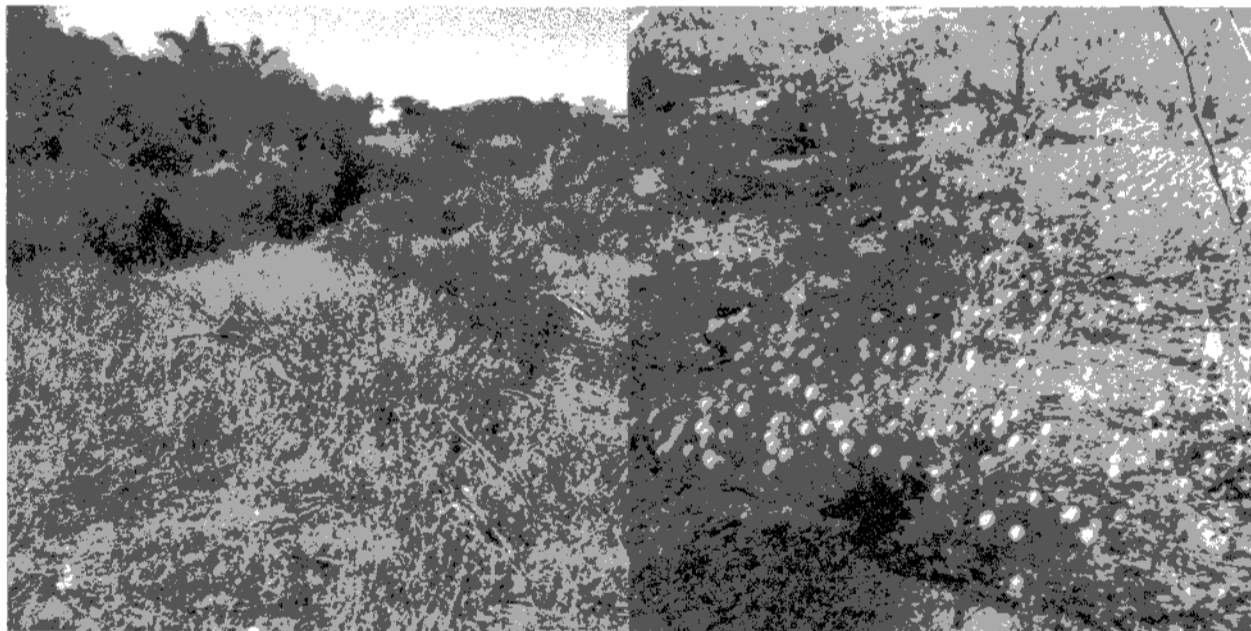


Photo 2: Example of target invasive plants; short-pod mustard (left) and stinknet (right)



INLAND EMPIRE

RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT

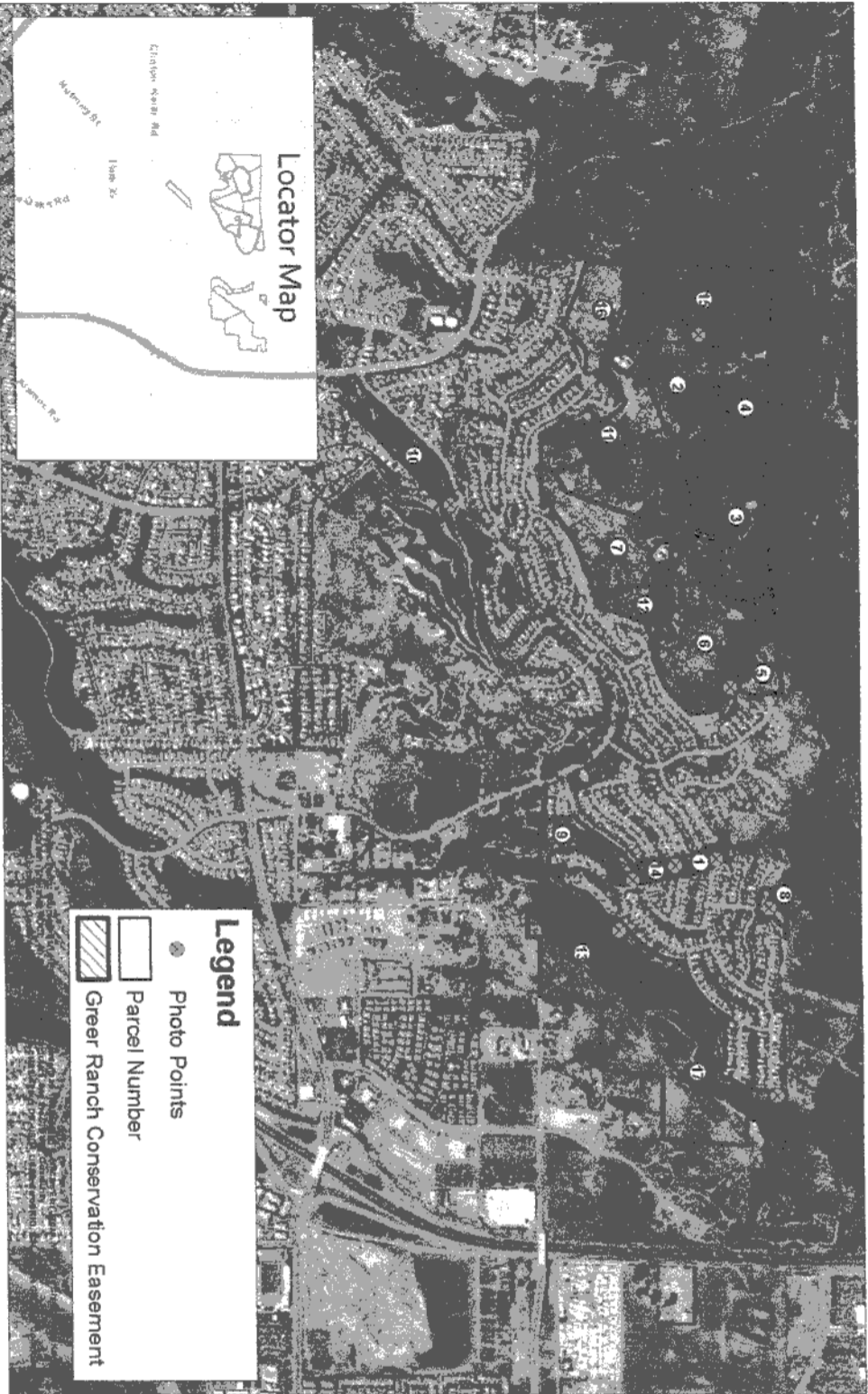
NOVEMBER 2021 MITIGATION MEMO: TEAMRCD

PRIORITY ACTIONS: GREER RANCH

Recommended Action: Invasive tamarisk near photo points 2 and 3 should be managed if at all possible. Large mature tamarisk that are outside the easement (near water tanks in the NW portion of site near Photo Point 2) are now recruiting into the restoration site; needs to enable treatment include:

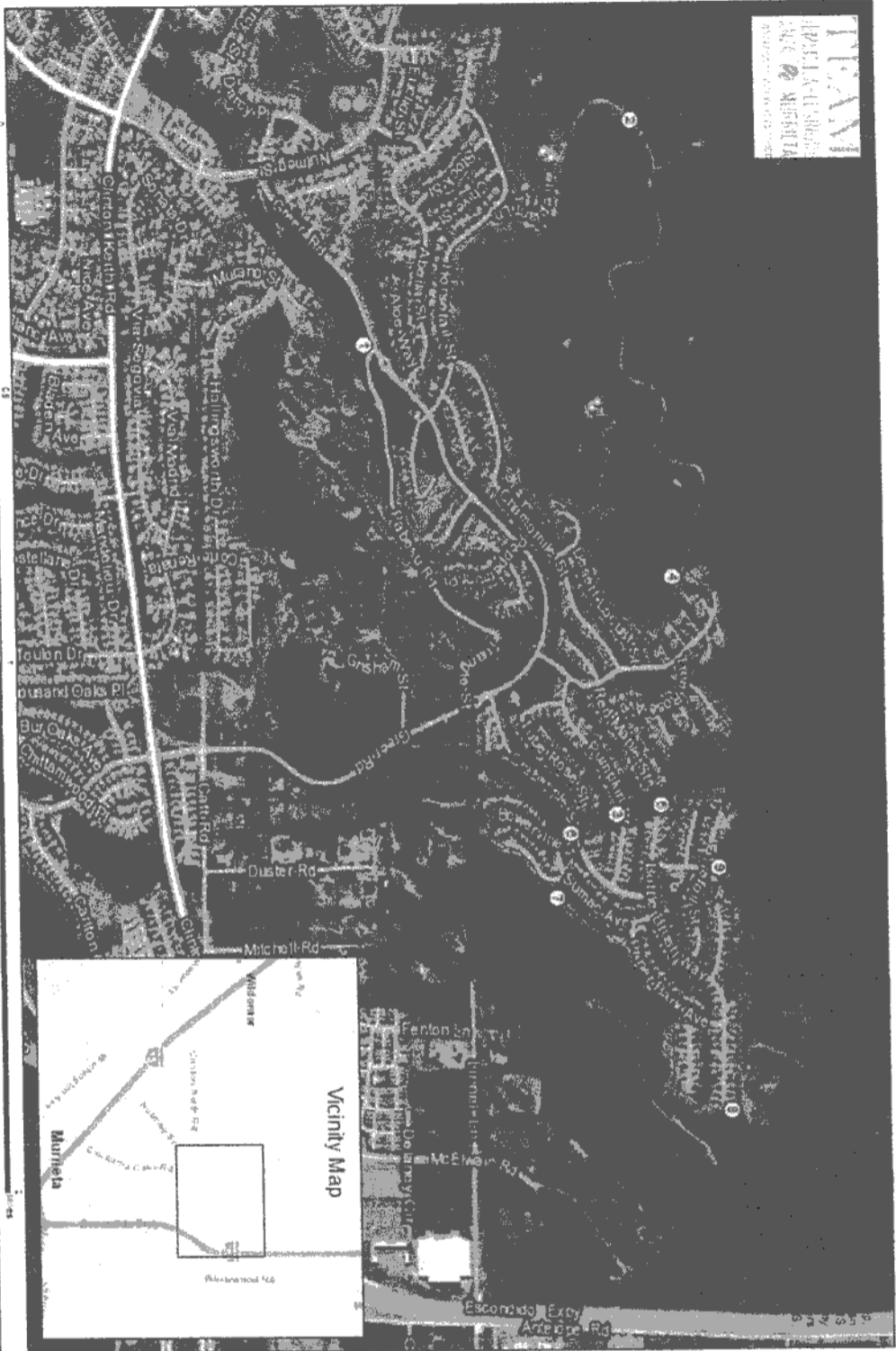
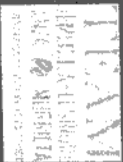
- Staff: 3 (two Natural Resources staff, 1 Admin staff)
- Time: 10 hours/NR staff; 5 hours/Admin staff
- Timing: fall/winter 2021-22
- Additional needs: written permission from adjacent property owner in the form of an email or executed landowner permission letter. This population of tamarisk is outside of the easement but directly impacting easement function due to location and massive annual seed production.
- **Next Steps:**
 - IERCD is able to work under the LAFCO-approved executed MOU with TEAMRCD to (1) secure property access via adjacent property owner permission and (2) treat tamarisk population with no additional agreement necessary. TEAMRCD can also solicit any non-profit or consultant firm to provide this same service.
- **Estimated cost for IERCD:**
 - Two Natural Resources Team staff prep, travel, treatment, and reporting time: \$700
 - One admin staff coordinating landowner permission: \$175
 - Mileage and herbicide: \$75
 - **Total estimated cost: \$950**







Greer Ranch Conservation Easement





Greer Ranch Monitoring Map

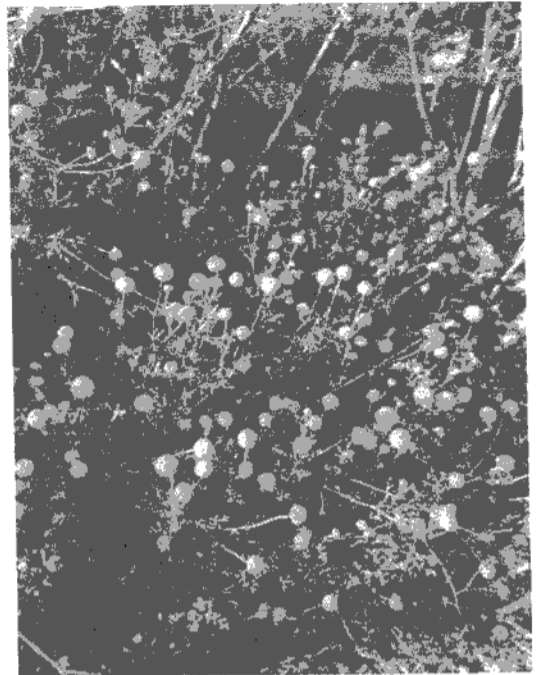
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-  Greer Ranch Parcels
-  Greer Ranch Photo Points

PRIORITY ACTIONS: ADELINE FARMS

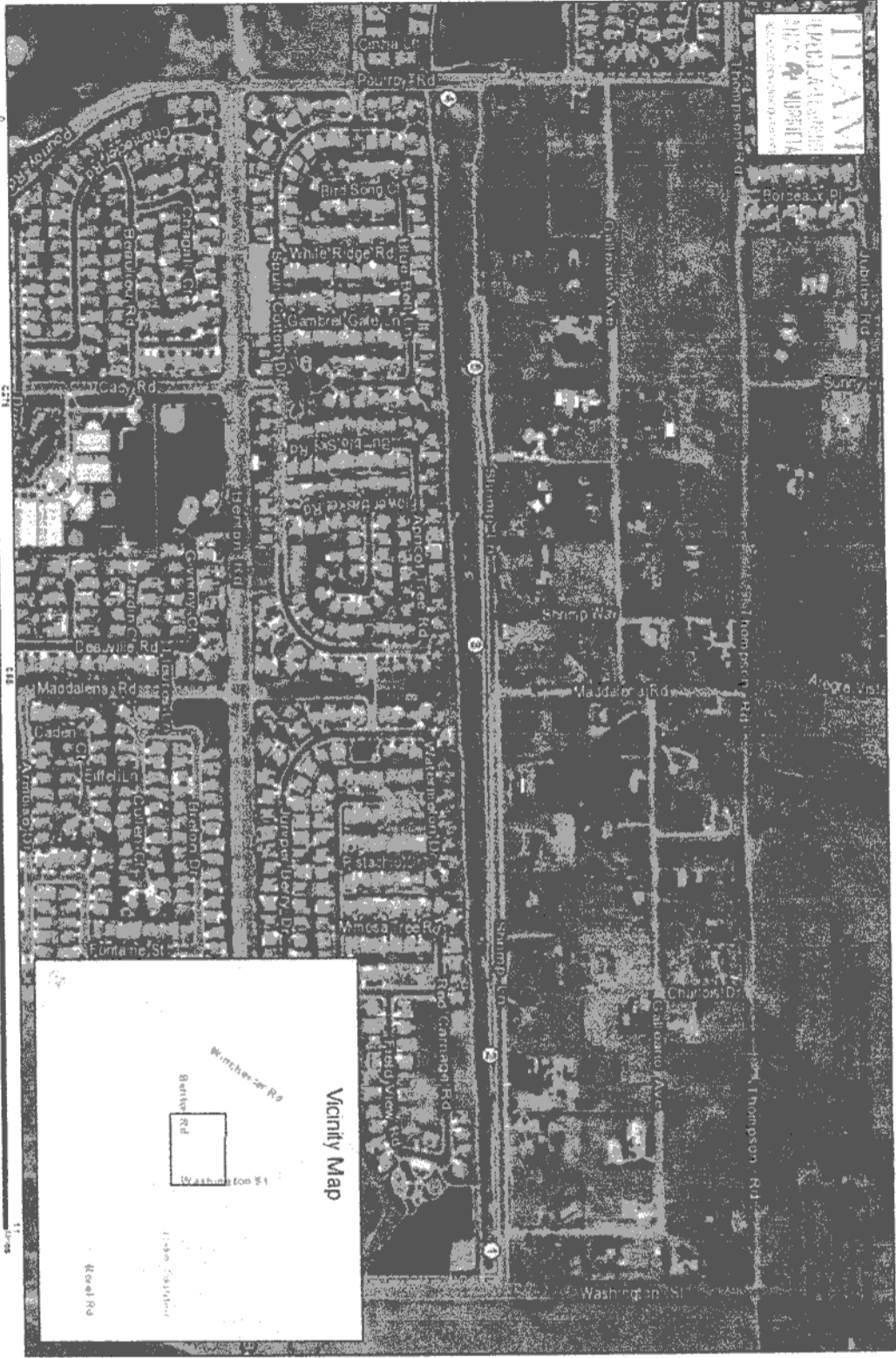
Recommended Action Highly invasive stinknet populations were observed throughout the site and should be treated spring of 2022.

- Staff: 3
- Time: 10 hours/staff member
- Timing: spring 2022
- Additional needs: broken irrigation box observed



south of the eastern end of the channel needs to be fixed; flowing water contributing to establishment/spread of invasive species.

- **Next Steps:**
 - IERCD is able to work under the LAFCO-approved executed MOU with TEAMRCD treat stinknet population with no additional agreement necessary. TEAMRCD can also solicit any non-profit or consultant firm to provide this same service.
- **Estimated cost for IERCD:**
 - Three Natural Resources Team staff prep, travel, treatment, and reporting time: \$1,050
 - Mileage and herbicide: \$90
 - **Total estimated cost: \$1,140**



Adeline Farms Monitoring Map

-  Property Boundary
-  Photo Points

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 OVERSEER OF THE COMMONWEALTH

| Item | Cost |
|--------------------|-----------------|
| Labor | \$0.00 |
| Mileage | \$67.20 |
| Supplies/Herbicide | \$120.00 |
| TOTAL | \$187.20 |



April 1, 2022

Board of Directors
Temecula-Elsinore-Anza-Murrieta Resource Conservation District
P.O. Box 2078
Temecula, CA 92593

We are pleased to confirm our understanding of the services we are to provide Temecula-Elsinore-Anza-Murrieta Resource Conservation District (District) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2022.

Audit Scope and Objectives

We will audit the governmental activities and each major fund of the District, as of June 30, 2022 and for the year then ended and the related notes, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents of the financial statements.

The objectives of our audit are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS) and, if applicable, in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, and/or any state or regulatory audit requirements will always detect a material misstatement when it exists.

Misstatements, including omissions, can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, (U.S. GAAP,) as promulgated by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) require that certain required supplementary information (RSI) such as management's discussion and analysis be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the GASB, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context.

As part of our engagement, we will apply certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information (RSI) in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, (U.S. GAAS). These limited procedures will consist primarily of inquiries of management regarding their methods of measurement and presentation, and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries. We will not express an opinion or provide any form of assurance on the RSI. The following RSI is required by U.S. GAAP. This RSI will be subjected to certain limited procedures but will not be audited:

1. Management's Discussion and Analysis
2. Budgetary Comparison Schedule - General Fund

Jeff Nigro, CPA, CFE | Elizabeth Nigro, CPA | Shannon Bishop, CPA | Peter Glenn, CPA, CFE | Paul J. Kaymark, CPA

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We will also provide a report (that does not include an opinion) on internal control related to the financial statements and compliance with the provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a material effect on the financial statements as required by *Government Auditing Standards*. The report on internal control and on compliance and other matters will include a paragraph that states (1) that the purpose of the report is solely to describe the scope of testing of internal control and compliance, and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control on compliance, and (2) that the report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. The paragraph will also state that the report is not suitable for any other purpose. If during our audit we become aware that the District is subject to an audit requirement that is not encompassed in the terms of this engagement, we will communicate to management and those charged with governance that an audit in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards and the standards for financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* may not satisfy the relevant legal, regulatory, or contractual requirements.

Auditor Responsibilities

We will conduct our audit in accordance with GAAS and in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*. As part of an audit in accordance with GAAS and in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

1. Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
2. Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control. However, we will communicate to you in writing concerning any significant deficiencies or material weaknesses in internal control relevant to the audit of the financial statements that we have identified during the audit.
3. Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.
4. Conclude, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the District's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

Because of the inherent limitations of an audit, together with the inherent limitations of internal control, an unavoidable risk that some material misstatements may not be detected exists, even though the audit is properly planned and performed in accordance with GAAS and in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*.

Our responsibility as auditors is limited to the period covered by our audit and does not extend to any other periods.

Compliance with Laws and Regulations

As previously discussed, as part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the basic financial statements are free of material misstatement, we will perform tests of the District's compliance with the provisions of applicable laws, regulations, contracts, and agreements. However, the objective of our audit will not be to provide an opinion on overall compliance and we will not express such an opinion.

Management Responsibilities

Our audit will be conducted on the basis that management acknowledge and understand that they have responsibility:

- a) For the preparation and fair presentation of the basic financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America;
- b) For the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of basic financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to error, fraudulent financial reporting, misappropriation of assets, or violations of laws, governmental regulations, grant agreements, or contractual agreements; and
- c) To provide us with:
 - i. Access to all information of which management is aware that is relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the basic financial statements such as records, documentation, and other matters;
 - ii. Additional information that we may request from management for the purpose of the audit;
 - iii. Unrestricted access to persons within the District from whom we determine it necessary to obtain audit evidence.
 - iv. A written acknowledgement of all the documents that management expects to issue that will be included in the annual report and the planned timing and method of issuance of that annual report; and
 - v. A final version of the annual report (including all the documents that, together, comprise the annual report) in a timely manner prior to the date of the auditor's report.
- d) For including the auditor's report in any document containing basic financial statements that indicates that such basic financial statements have been audited by us;
- e) For identifying and ensuring that the District complies with the laws and regulations applicable to its activities;
- f) For adjusting the basic financial statements to correct material misstatements and confirming to us in the management representation letter that the effects of any uncorrected misstatements aggregated by us during the current engagement and pertaining to the current year period(s) under audit are immaterial, both individually and in the aggregate, to the basic financial statements as a whole; and
- g) For acceptance of nonattest services, including identifying the proper party to oversee nonattest work;
- h) For maintaining adequate records, selecting and applying accounting principles, and safeguarding assets;
- i) For informing us of any known or suspected fraud affecting the District involving management, employees with significant role in internal control and others where fraud could have a material effect on the financials; and
- j) For the accuracy and completeness of all information provided.

With regard to the supplementary information referred to above, you acknowledge and understand your responsibility:

- a) for the preparation of the supplementary information in accordance with the applicable criteria;
- b) to provide us with the appropriate written representations regarding supplementary information;
- c) to include our report on the supplementary information in any document that contains the supplementary information and that indicates that we have reported on such supplementary information; and
- d) to present the supplementary information with the audited basic financial statements, or if the supplementary information will not be presented with the audited basic financial statements, to make the audited basic financial statements readily available to the intended users of the supplementary information no later than the date of issuance by you of the supplementary information and our report thereon.

As part of our audit process, we will request from management, written confirmation concerning representations made to us in connection with the audit.

Nonattest Services

With respect to any nonattest services we perform,

At the end of the year, we agree to perform the following:

- a) Propose adjusting or correcting journal entries detected during the audit, if applicable, to be reviewed and approved by the District's management.
- b) Word process the financial statements using information provided by management.

We will not assume management responsibilities on behalf of the District. However, we will provide advice and recommendations to assist management of the District in performing its responsibilities.

The District's management is responsible for:

- a) making all management decisions and performing all management functions;
- b) assigning a competent individual to oversee the services;
- c) evaluating the adequacy of the services performed;
- d) evaluating and accepting responsibility for the results of the services performed; and
- e) establishing and maintaining internal controls, including monitoring ongoing activities.

Our responsibilities and limitations of the nonattest services are as follows:

- a) We will perform the services in accordance with applicable professional standards
- b) The nonattest services are limited to the services previously outlined. Our firm, in its sole professional judgment, reserves the right to refuse to do any procedure or take any action that could be construed as making management decisions or assuming management responsibilities, including determining account coding and approving journal entries. Our firm will advise the District with regard to tax positions taken in the preparation of the tax return, but the District must make all decisions with regard to those matters.

Reporting

We will issue a written report upon completion of our audit of the District's basic financial statements. Our report will be addressed to the Board of Directors of the District. Circumstances may arise in which our report may differ from its expected form and content based on the results of our audit. Depending on the nature of these circumstances, it may be necessary for us to modify our opinions, add an emphasis-of-matter or other-matter paragraph(s) to our auditor's report, or if necessary, withdraw from the engagement. If our opinions on the basic financial statements are other than unmodified, we will discuss the reasons with you in advance. If, for any reason, we are unable to complete the audit or are unable to form or have not formed opinions, we may decline to express opinions or to issue a report as a result of this engagement.

In accordance with the requirements of Government Auditing Standards, we will also issue a written report describing the scope of our testing over internal control over financial reporting and over compliance with laws, regulations, and provisions of grants and contracts, including the results of that testing. However, providing an opinion on internal control and compliance will not be an objective of the audit and, therefore, no such opinion will be expressed.

Preparation of State Controller Report

Our Responsibilities

The objective of our engagement is to prepare the annual Financial Transactions Report (FTR) in accordance with the California State Controller's Office Instructions based on information provided by you. We will conduct our engagement in accordance with Statements on Standards for Accounting and Review Services (SSARs) promulgated by the Accounting and Review Services Committee of the AICPA and comply with the AICPA's Code of Professional Conduct, including the ethical principles of integrity, objectivity, professional competence, and due care.

We are not required to, and will not, verify the accuracy or completeness of the information you will provide to us for the engagement or otherwise gather evidence for the purpose of expressing an opinion or a conclusion. Accordingly, we will not express an opinion or a conclusion or provide any assurance on the FTR.

Our engagement cannot be relied upon to identify or disclose any FTR misstatements, including those caused by fraud or error, or to identify or disclose any wrongdoing within the District or noncompliance with laws and regulations.

Management Responsibilities

The engagement to be performed is conducted on the basis that management acknowledges and understands that our role is to prepare the FTR in accordance with the State Controller's Office Instructions. Management has the following overall responsibilities that are fundamental to our undertaking the engagement to prepare your FTR in accordance with SSARs:

- a) The selection of accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America as the financial reporting framework to be applied in the preparation of the financial statements
- b) The design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error
- c) The prevention and detection of fraud
- d) To ensure that the District complies with the laws and regulations applicable to its activities
- e) The accuracy and completeness of the records, documents, explanations, and other information, including significant judgments, you provide to us for the engagement to prepare financial statements
- f) To provide us with:
 - i. Documentation, and other related information that is relevant to the preparation and presentation of the financial statements,
 - ii. Additional information that may be requested for the purpose of the preparation of the financial statements, and
 - iii. Unrestricted access to persons of whom we determine necessary to communicate.

As part of our engagement, we will issue a disclaimer that will state that the FTR were not subjected to an audit, review, or compilation engagement by us and, accordingly, we do not express an opinion, a conclusion, nor provide any assurance on them.

Engagement Fees

Our fixed fees for the services previously outlined will be as follows:

| | |
|----------------------------------------------|----------------|
| Financial Statements and Auditor Reports | \$2,500 |
| Preparation of the State Controller's Report | 500 |
| Total | \$3,000 |

If significant changes occur in the District's audit requirements with the implementation of new Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Standards, *Government Auditing Standards* or the Audit and Accounting Guide for State and Local Governments issued by the AICPA for attest and/or nonattest services, this may render additional services needed which may increase the above noted fixed fee.

Our invoices for these fees will be rendered each month as work progresses and are payable on presentation. In accordance with our firm policies, work may be suspended if the District's account becomes 60 days or more overdue and may not be resumed until the District's account is paid in full. If we elect to terminate our services for nonpayment, our engagement will be deemed to have been completed upon written notification of termination, even if we have not completed our report. The District will be obligated to compensate us for all time expended and to reimburse us for all out-of-pocket costs through the date of termination. The above fee is based on anticipated cooperation from District personnel and the assumption that unexpected circumstances will not be encountered during the audit. If significant additional time is necessary, we will discuss it with management and arrive at a new fee estimate before we incur the additional costs.

Additionally, our fees are dependent on the availability, quality, and completeness of the District's records and, where applicable, upon the District's personnel providing the level of assistance identified in the "prepared by client" request list distributed at the end of our planning work (e.g., District employees preparing confirmations and schedules we request, locating documents selected by us for testing, etc.).

We will schedule the engagement based in part on deadlines, working conditions, and the availability of District key personnel. We will plan the engagement based on the assumption that District personnel will cooperate and provide assistance by performing tasks such as preparing requested schedules, retrieving supporting documents, and preparing confirmations. If, for whatever reason, District personnel are unavailable to provide the necessary assistance in a timely manner, it may substantially increase the work we have to do to complete the engagement within the established deadlines, resulting in an increase in fees over our original fee estimate.

If circumstances occur related to the condition of District records, the availability of sufficient, appropriate audit evidence, or the existence of a significant risk of material misstatement of the financial statements caused by error, fraudulent financial reporting, or misappropriation of assets, which in our professional judgment prevent us from completing the audit or forming an opinion on the financial statements, we retain the right to take any course of action permitted by professional standards, including declining to express an opinion or issue a report, or withdrawing from the engagement.

Should our assumptions with respect to these matters be incorrect, or should the condition of the records, degree of cooperation, or other matters beyond our reasonable control require additional commitments by us beyond those upon which our estimated fees are based, we may adjust our fees and planned completion dates. If significant additional time is necessary, we will discuss it with management and arrive at a new fee estimate as soon as reasonably practicable.

Other Engagement Matters

During the course of the engagement, we may communicate with you or your personnel via fax or e-mail, and you should be aware that communication in those mediums contains a risk of misdirected or intercepted communications.

Government Auditing Standards require that we document an assessment of the skills, knowledge, and experience of management, should we participate in any form of preparation of the basic financial statements and related schedules or disclosures as these actions are deemed a non-audit service.

Paul J Kaymark, CPA is the engagement partner responsible for supervising the engagement and signing the report.

During the course of the audit we may observe opportunities for economy in, or improved controls over, your operations. We will bring such matters to the attention of the appropriate level of management, either orally or in writing.

You agree to inform us of facts that may affect the basic financial statements of which you may become aware during the period from the date of the auditor's report to the date the financial statements are issued.

We agree to retain our audit documentation or work papers for a period of at least seven years from the date of our report.

The audit documentation for this engagement is the property of Nigro & Nigro, PC and constitutes confidential information. However, we may be requested to make certain audit documentation available to regulatory agencies pursuant to authority given to it by law or regulation, or to peer reviewers. If requested, access to such audit documentation will be provided under the supervision of Nigro & Nigro, PC's personnel. Furthermore, upon request, we may provide copies of selected audit documentation to regulatory agencies. The regulatory agencies may intend, or decide, to distribute the copies of information contained therein to others, including other governmental agencies. We will notify the District of any such request.

Conflict Resolution

Should any litigation or adverse action (such as audits by outside governmental agencies and/or threatened litigation, etc.), by third parties arise against the District or the board of directors subsequent to this engagement, which results in the subpoena of documents from Nigro & Nigro, PC and/or requires additional assistance from us to provide information, depositions or testimony, the District hereby agrees to compensate Nigro & Nigro, PC (at our standard hourly rates) for additional time charges and other costs (copies, travel, etc.), and to indemnify us for any attorney's fees to represent Nigro & Nigro, PC.

If any dispute arises among the parties hereto, the parties agree to first try in good faith to settle the dispute by mediation administered by the American Arbitration Association under its applicable rules for resolving professional accounting and related services disputes before resorting to litigation. The costs of any mediation proceeding shall be shared equally by all parties.

The District and Nigro & Nigro, PC both agree that any dispute over fees charged by the auditor to the District will be submitted for resolution by arbitration in accordance with the applicable rules for resolving professional accounting and related services disputes of the American Arbitration Association, except that under all circumstances the arbitrator must follow the laws of California. Such arbitration shall be binding and final. **IN AGREEING TO ARBITRATION, WE BOTH ACKNOWLEDGE THAT IN THE EVENT OF A DISPUTE OVER FEES CHARGED BY THE ACCOUNTANT, EACH OF US IS GIVING UP THE RIGHT TO HAVE THE DISPUTE DECIDED IN A COURT OF LAW BEFORE A JUDGE OR JURY AND INSTEAD WE ARE ACCEPTING THE USE OF ARBITRATION FOR RESOLUTION.** The prevailing party shall be entitled to an award of reasonable attorneys' fees and costs incurred in connection with the arbitration of the dispute in an amount to be determined by the arbitrator.

Conclusion

At the conclusion of our audit engagement, we will communicate to the Board of Directors the following significant findings from the audit:

- a) Our view about the qualitative aspects of the District's significant accounting practices;
- b) Significant difficulties, if any, encountered during the audit;
- c) Uncorrected misstatements, other than those we believe are trivial, if any;
- d) Disagreements with management, if any;
- e) Other findings or issues, if any, arising from the audit that are, in our professional judgment, significant and relevant to those charged with governance regarding their oversight of the financial reporting process;
- f) Material, corrected misstatements that were brought to the attention of management as a result of our audit procedures;
- g) Representations we requested from management;
- h) Management's consultations with other accountants, if any; and
- i) Significant issues, if any, arising from the audit that were discussed, or the subject of correspondence, with management.

Please sign and return the attached copy of this letter to indicate your acknowledgment of, and agreement with, the arrangements for our audit of the basic financial statements including our respective responsibilities.

Enclosed, as required by *Government Auditing Standards*, is a copy of the report on the most recent peer review of our firm.

We appreciate the opportunity to provide these services and believe this letter accurately summarizes the significant terms of our engagement.

Very truly yours,



Nigro & Nigro, PC

The services and arrangements described in this letter are in accordance with our understanding and are acceptable to us.

Management signature: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

Governance signature: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____



Report on the Firm's System of Quality Control

To Nigro & Nigro, PC
and the Peer Review Committee of the California Society of CPAs

We have reviewed the system of quality control for the accounting and auditing practice of Nigro & Nigro, PC (the firm) in effect for the year ended August 31, 2020. Our peer review was conducted in accordance with the Standards for Performing and Reporting on Peer Reviews established by the Peer Review Board of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (Standards).

A summary of the nature, objectives, scope, limitations of, and the procedures performed in a System Review as described in the Standards may be found at www.aicpa.org/prsummary. The summary also includes an explanation of how engagements identified as not performed or reported in conformity with applicable professional standards, if any, are evaluated by a peer reviewer to determine a peer review rating.

Firm's Responsibility

The firm is responsible for designing a system of quality control and complying with it to provide the firm with reasonable assurance of performing and reporting in conformity with applicable professional standards in all material respects. The firm is also responsible for evaluating actions to promptly remediate engagements deemed as not performed or reported in conformity with professional standards, when appropriate, and for remediating weaknesses in its system of quality control, if any.

Peer Reviewer's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the design of the system of quality control and the firm's compliance therewith based on our review.

Required Selections and Considerations

Engagements selected for review included engagements performed under *Government Auditing Standards*, including compliance audits under the Single Audit Act.

As a part of our peer review, we considered reviews by regulatory entities as communicated by the firm, if applicable, in determining the nature and extent of our procedures.

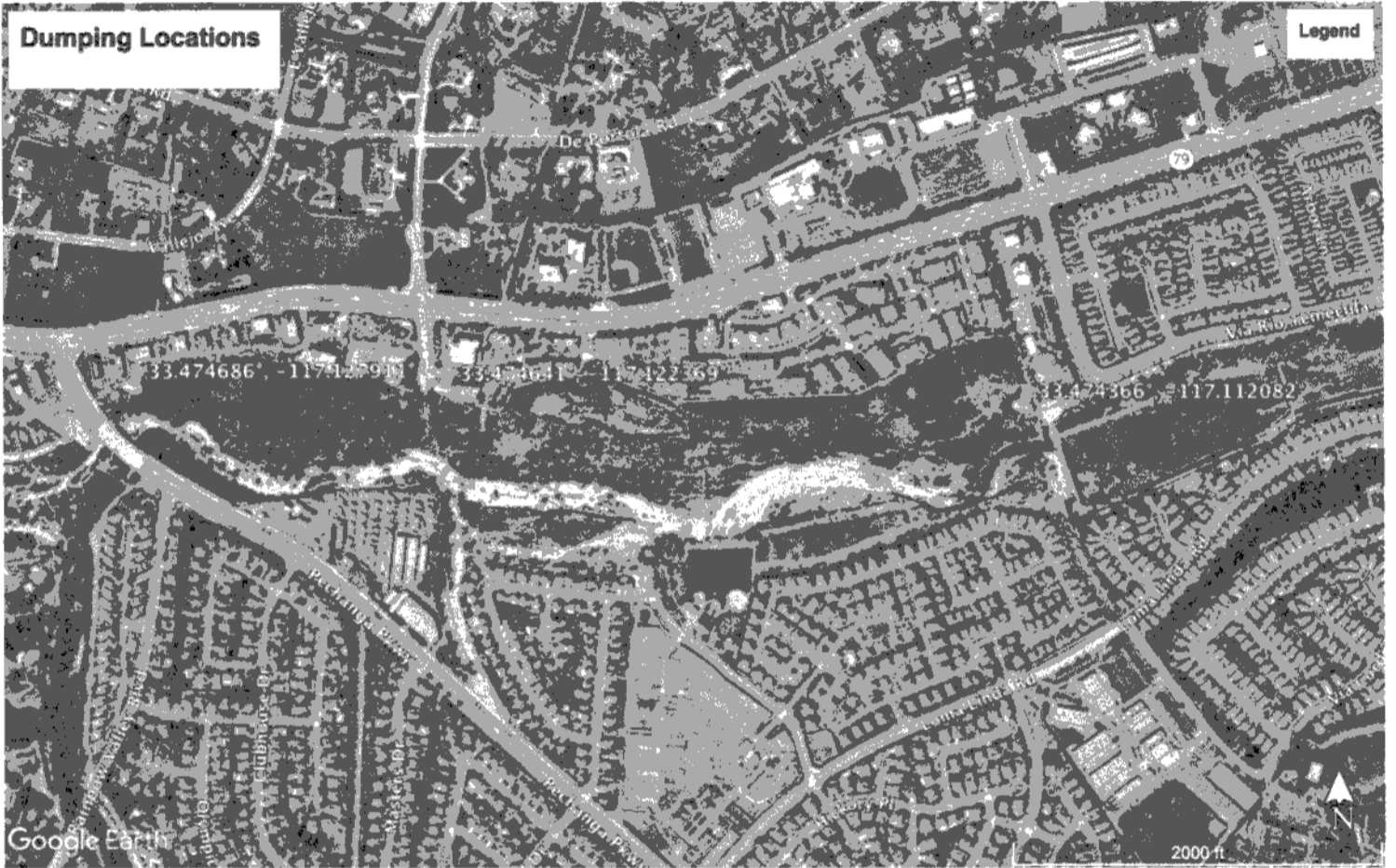
Opinion

In our opinion, the system of quality control for the accounting and auditing practice of Nigro & Nigro, PC in effect for the year ended August 31, 2020, has been suitably designed and complied with to provide the firm with reasonable assurance of performing and reporting in conformity with applicable professional standards in all material respects. Firms can receive a rating of *pass*, *pass with deficiency (ies)*, or *fail*. Nigro & Nigro, PC has received a peer review rating of *pass*.

June 11, 2021

Dumping Locations

Legend



PRESENTATION
SAWA/FLOOD
CONTROL PROJECTS

| PROJECT NAME/LOCATION | PRIORITY | STAFF TOTALS | MILEAGE | TEAM RCD-RIVERSIDE FLOOD CONTROL FACILITIES PROJECT COSTS | | | | PROJECT ADMIN | FC-TOTAL | | | |
|------------------------------------------------|----------|----------------------|------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|--------------------|----------------------|------------|----------------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| | | | | HERBICIDE | F&W FEE | TOTAL COST-AMT | TEAM RCD % | | | | | |
| NEXT-BASED ON PERFORMANCE 2022 | PRIORITY | STAFF TOTALS | MILEAGE | SUBCONTRACTOR | EQUIPMENT | HERBICIDE | F&W FEE | TOTAL COST-AMT | TEAM RCD % | PROJECT ADMIN | FC-TOTAL | |
| TRANSIENT MONITORING | HIGH | \$ 16,746.90 | 2,714.40 | | | | | \$ 17,461.90 | \$ 15% | \$ 2,619.20 | \$ 737.35 | \$ 20,817.95 |
| PROJECT DEVELOPMENT & ADMIN | HIGH | \$ 8,908.08 | 435.00 | | | | | \$ 9,343.08 | \$ 15% | \$ 1,401.46 | \$ 445.40 | \$ 11,189.94 |
| HELEASH MITIGATION SITE | MEDIUM | \$ 16,900.56 | 1,190.16 | | | \$ 280.96 | \$ 314.50 | \$ 20,086.18 | \$ 15% | \$ 3,012.95 | \$ 915.08 | \$ 24,014.11 |
| HILDY | LOW | \$ 7,321.52 | 495.00 | | | \$ 242.24 | \$ 314.50 | \$ 8,313.26 | \$ 15% | \$ 1,246.99 | \$ 365.08 | \$ 9,926.33 |
| MURRIETA CREEK - Winchester Rd to Rancho Calif | HIGH | \$ 156,742.04 | 5,324.40 | \$ 109,250.00 | \$ 26,990.00 | \$ 10,324.00 | \$ 314.50 | \$ 908,909.94 | \$ 15% | \$ 46,146.49 | \$ 7,837.35 | \$ 363,083.77 |
| MURRIETA CREEK-LINE F | LOW | \$ 2,928.08 | 230.56 | | | \$ 128.64 | \$ 314.50 | \$ 3,621.78 | \$ 15% | \$ 543.27 | \$ 146.40 | \$ 4,311.45 |
| PALOMAR CORYDON CHANNEL | LOW | \$ 5,724.28 | 348.00 | | | \$ 141.76 | \$ 314.50 | \$ 6,528.54 | \$ 15% | \$ 979.28 | \$ 286.21 | \$ 7,794.03 |
| SANTA GERTRUDIS CREEK | HIGH | \$ 96,432.10 | 4,071.60 | | \$ 22,400.00 | \$ 2,221.88 | \$ 314.50 | \$ 125,440.08 | \$ 15% | \$ 18,816.01 | \$ 4,821.61 | \$ 149,077.70 |
| TEMECULA CREEK AD 159 | MEDIUM | \$ 62,219.46 | 4,071.60 | | \$ 8,400.00 | \$ 1,426.88 | \$ 314.50 | \$ 76,492.44 | \$ 15% | \$ 11,464.87 | \$ 3,110.97 | \$ 91,008.27 |
| TUCALOTA CREEK PHASE I & II | LOW | \$ 7,985.28 | 313.20 | | | \$ 242.24 | \$ 314.50 | \$ 8,855.22 | \$ 15% | \$ 1,326.28 | \$ 399.26 | \$ 10,581.76 |
| TUCALOTA CREEK PHASE III | HIGH | \$ 27,457.55 | 1,148.40 | | \$ 2,450.00 | \$ 185.88 | \$ 314.50 | \$ 31,556.33 | \$ 15% | \$ 4,733.45 | \$ 1,372.88 | \$ 37,662.66 |
| VY CHANNEL | HIGH | \$ 27,494.36 | 1,408.75 | | \$ 3,675.00 | \$ 648.64 | \$ 314.50 | \$ 33,514.25 | \$ 15% | \$ 5,031.19 | \$ 1,374.72 | \$ 39,947.16 |
| WARMI SPRINGS/BRENCH VALLEY | HIGH | \$ 35,612.88 | 1,418.36 | | \$ 5,600.00 | \$ 833.72 | \$ 314.50 | \$ 39,777.46 | \$ 15% | \$ 5,086.62 | \$ 1,280.64 | \$ 40,124.72 |
| WARMI SPRINGS/BENTON CHNL | MEDIUM | \$ 37,977.20 | 1,566.00 | | | \$ 1,943.52 | \$ 314.50 | \$ 41,201.22 | \$ 15% | \$ 6,180.18 | \$ 1,868.86 | \$ 49,250.26 |
| WILDOMAR CHANNEL | LOW | \$ 10,266.36 | 561.15 | | | | \$ 314.50 | \$ 11,144.01 | \$ 15% | \$ 1,671.60 | \$ 513.42 | \$ 13,329.03 |
| GRAND TOTALS | | \$ 509,523.65 | 25,254.58 | \$ 109,250.00 | \$ 69,475.00 | \$ 18,620.36 | \$ 4,088.50 | \$ 736,212.09 | 15% | \$ 110,431.81 | \$ 25,476.18 | \$ 872,120.08 |