



Board Meeting Agenda

February 23, 2017 - 9:00-12:00

1221 Farmers Lane, North Wing Conference Room, Suite 400
Santa Rosa, CA 95405
707.569.1448, ext. 111

District Directors: Walt Ryan, Chairman; Vickie Mulas, Vice Chairwoman; Bruce Abelli-Amen, Director; Dennis Murphy, Director; Ron Rolleri, Director

1. **Call to order, Determination of a Quorum, Introductions**
2. **Additions/Changes to the Agenda** (Gov. Code 54954.2 (B))
3. **Consent Calendar:** Approval of February Board Meeting Agenda, December Board meeting minutes, Bills for Board Approval, and monthly financials. *Kara Heckert/Sally Westgate*
4. **Public Comment:** Limited to three (3) minutes per person.
The Board will hear public comments during this time on agenda or non-agenda items where the Board has jurisdiction. Comments are limited to three minutes per person, not to exceed a total of 15 minutes for all participants. If participants want their comments to be entered into the minutes for the meeting, they must submit a written copy of their comments, not to exceed four pages. At this time the public may indicate agenda items they wish to address prior to Board action on that item.
5. **Approval of FY 15/16 Audit - Sally**
6. **Approve revisions to FY 16/17 Budget - Sally, Becky**
7. **Approval of Resolution #1617005 for LandSmart® On-the-Ground: Implementation of Management Practices on Sonoma Creek Vineyards Grant Agreement with the State Water Resources Control Board –Anya**
The State Water Resources Control Board has awarded Sonoma RCD funding to complement planning efforts already underway on Sonoma Creek watershed vineyards. This grant will help to pay for design and implementation of On-the-Ground projects that address soil erosion and water quality issues identified in LandSmart Farm Plans developed over the past 4 years.
8. **Review of Board Officer Descriptions and Officer Nominations - Board**
The Board needs to do the annual review of the job description and nominations of Chair and Vice Chair of the Board.
9. **Strategic Plan Process Overview-Informational Only - Kara**
10. **Executive Committee: 2/7 meeting notes (attached) - Executive Committee**

11. Associate Director Appointments: Re-appoint Delmar Friedrichsen; appoint Jennifer Kuszmar, Hector Bedolla Resignation - Executive Committee

The Executive Committee interviewed Jennifer Kuszmar (resume attached) and recommends her for appointment as Associate Director. Walt has had a discussion with Delmar about future service as an Associate Director and he is interested in remaining one but would like to be given something to work on. Hector Bedolla resigned because he would not be able to meet the meeting requirement for Associates as it relates to board meeting attendance (letter attached).

12. Discuss Upcoming Events and Possible Director Participation - Kara

- 1) **OPEN INVITATION to join us at Sonoma County Farm Bureau's annual Ag Days Event at the Fairgrounds in Santa Rosa. March 14th and 15th from 9am- Noon. One ticket available for the youth awards dinner on the 14th starting at 5:30pm. Please contact Christine if you are interested in assisting or attending at ckuehn@sonomarc.org**
- 2) **OPEN INVITATION to visit FARMS Leadership Program Field Day #6 "Rancho Mark West: exploring forestry and water conservation" with Christine Kuehn. Friday, March 10, 2017 from 9am -2pm. Contact Christine for more information or to RSVP at ckuehn@sonomarc.org**
- 3) **SAVE THE DATE: Russian River Confluence. Friday, March 24, 2017 at Shone Farm. We have two tickets left to attend the Confluence. The RCD is sponsoring the event and hosting the evening reception. For more details visit <http://russianriverconfluence.org/> or contact Christine at ckuehn@sonomarc.org**
- 4) **Strategic Planning Retreat-March 29th, 9-5, MacMurray Ranch, 9015 Westside Rd, Healdsburg. Mandatory for all Board and Staff. Thank you to Gallo for use of their facility!**
- 5) **Sonoma Valley Groundwater Sustainability Agency Public Meeting, March 27th, 6-8 p.m.**
- 6) **Petaluma River Groundwater Sustainability Agency Public Meeting, March 23rd, 6-8 p.m.**
- 7) **Santa Rosa Plain Groundwater Sustainability Agency Public Meeting April 3rd, 6-8 p.m.**

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13. GSA updates and discussion-1.5 hours - Staff and Board Facilitated Discussion

Staff and Board will review and discuss the current status of GSA development in each basin.

14. Adjournment and Agenda Setting

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District Staff:

Kara Heckert, Executive Director

Becky Tillman, District Administrator

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Justin Bodell, Project Manager

Keith Abeles, Water Resources Specialist

Christine Kuehn, Education & Communications Specialist

Jeff Schreiber, Program Development Manager

Valerie Minton, Program Director

Kevin Cullinen, Project Manager

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Lexi Clark, Administrative Assistant

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