



**Madera/Chowchilla
Resource Conservation District
Post Office Box 531
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Monthly Board Meeting Agenda

Wednesday, August 14 - 5:00 pm to 7:00pm

Farm Service Agency Conference Room, 425 N Gateway Drive, Madera

I. Roll Call and Introductions

- Call to Order
- Flag Salute
- Introduction of Guests

II. Review and Approval of Meeting Minutes & Agenda

- August 2019 Agenda
 - Additions?
- July 2019 Minutes

III. Updates, Handout, and Public Comments

IV. Correspondence & Mail

- Correspondence (Stefani)
- CARCD Email (Laurel)

V. Financial Report

- Monthly Treasurer's Report
- Letter to Consolidate County Accounts (pending board nominations)
- Review & Approval of Expenses
 - Farm Bureau
 - Laurel Angell
 - Others
- Check in on close-out of Chow-Red Top outside account (Norm)

VI. New Discussion Topics and Action Items

- Sharon Nance, Asst. State Conservationist, NRCS, Introductions and discussion of NRCS/RCD partnership
- "Real Time Resource Conservation" (formerly "Food for the Future" Project update (Matt Angell and Jayla Cuevas)
- Schedule: Pelayo Alvarez from Carbon Cycle Institute will do a presentation in September (I)
- RCD Board Membership
 - Nomination of Mike DeLaGuerra – Paperwork/BOS Action on 8/16
 - LAFCO confirmed that with consolidation we do NOT need to re-nominate Board Members. Letter on file.
 - Election of New Board Officers (per Tom)

- CARCD Annual Business Meeting and Conference
 - Annual Business Meeting, November 13 – 15
 - Delegates and Credentials
 - Attendance to the conference (\$345/Lodging \$129)
- Priorities and Planning
 - Long-term ED
 - Pending Products (Grant tracking [see below], web and Media)

VII. Grants (focused on priorities laid out in Annual Plan)

- CDFA Technical Assistance Grant (Due August 30/up to \$60K)
- National CIG (RCD sent letter of support [on file]/for education assistance)
- DOC Prop 68 Working Lands and Riparian Corridors (applied with Regional partners/\$10K for planning)
- Carbon Cycle Institute Grant (pending with ESRCD – \$1K)
- Block Grant from CARCD on Monarchs (still pending)
- Water Foundation (potential funding for SGMA work)
- Central Valley Community Foundation (RFP in August)
- CARCD – Bechtel funding/SGMA
- Conservation Partners Program/USFWS – likely not a good fit, but exploring
- Others--
- Grant opportunities and tracking/program list (Laurel)

VIII. Fee for Service

- Seeking ideas for long-term and consistent funding

IX. Madera/Chowchilla RCD Consolidation

- Remaining Steps
- Legal description
- Federal ID being filed
- Annual Plan filed
- RCD credit card (once accounts are consolidated)

X. Old Business

- Website Update
 - Still need Photos for content
 - Laurel and Stefani still working on updates
 - Any suggestions for content right now?

XI. Reports

- NRCS Report
- Madera Region IRWMP/RWVG
- SGMA
- Others--

XII. Adjournment... Next Meeting: September 11, 2019; 5:00pm Farm Service Agency Office, 425 N. Gateway, Ste. K, Madera