

CACHUMA RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Cachuma Resource Conservation District ("Agency" or "CRCD") Board of Directors ("Board") will hold its regular **Board Meeting** at **1:00 P.M.** on **Tuesday**, **June 21**, **2022** at the **Santa Maria Inn**, **801 S Broadway**, **Santa Maria**. This meeting is open to the public.

CACHUMA RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT (CRCD) BOARD OF DIRECTORS AGENDA Tuesday, June 21, 2022

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT APPEARING ON THE AGENDA

The Board will receive public comments on items <u>not</u> appearing on the agenda and within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Agency. The Board will not enter into a detailed discussion, answer questions, or take any action on any items presented during public comments. In the Board's discretion, any issue raised during Public Comment may be referred to the Executive Director or other staff for administrative action or scheduled on a subsequent agenda for discussion. Persons wishing to speak on specific agenda items should do so at the time specified for those items. The presiding Chair shall limit public comments to no more than three minutes.

3. CONSENT ITEMS

- a. Approve Minutes from April 19, 2022 Regular Meeting
- b. Agency Finances and Budgeting, Training
 - **i.** The Board of Directors will receive a report from the Accountant regarding finances, investment and expenses for CRCD.
 - **ii.** The Board of Directors will receive a report from the Accountant regarding training and compliance documents.

4. PRESENTATION

Sustainable Farming Initiative- Devin Best, from Upper Salinas Las Tablas RCD, and Michael Larcher, from cBrain, will give a presentation on the Sustainable Farming Initiative. USLTRCD has partnered with cBrain, an international process-based company, to expedite the process in which RCDs work with local landowners to implement conservation practices that address climate impacts and make their farms more resilient and sustainable. Historically, RCDs would have several start-stops from the time they met with a landowner to implementing practices, often taking 1-3 years. Now RCDs can achieve this in from start to finish in a couple of months. USLTRCD is piloting the program and is currently underway with several contracts with local landowners. The Sustainable Land Initiative creates value for several unique stakeholders:

- RCDs by expediting the speed and scale at which conservation practices are adopted in the region.
- Landowners by simplifying the grant application process and accelerating the speed at which they adopt sustainable / conservation practices.
- Cities / Municipalities by enabling a means by which jurisdictions can achieve their climate action goals by providing local conservation projects that cities/ counties can fund or support in implementation.

5. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- a. Update from NRCS
- b. Board Member Reports
- c. Executive Director's Report

^{*} In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, all possible accommodations will be made for individuals so they may attend and participate in meetings.

6. ACTION ITEMS

a. Approval of the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Budget

Board of Directors will receive and review a draft budget for fiscal year 2022-2023 for approval.

b. Biennial Conflict of Interest Code Review

The Political Reform Act requires that every multi-county agency review its conflict of interest code biennially. The Board of Directors will review and reaffirm the current conflict of interest code.

c. Vacation Hours Policy

The Board of Directors will review the Vacation Hours Policy and consider amending to accrual of hours for any work week where 40 hours are worked. Each week would accrue 2.5 hours of vacation. If approved, the Board will also vote to retroactively implement this for Misael Sanchez.

d. Investment- CD Maturity

The Board of Directors will discuss and take action on current and future CD investments. Action will be taken on the CD with the July 2022 maturity date.

e. LeRoy Scolari Sponsorship

The Board of Directors will discuss options to develop a sponsorship for youth in agriculture to attend educational events, such as Range Camp. The Board will discuss what the application and selection process will be.

7. NEXT MEETING: July 19, 2022 at Santa Maria Inn

8. ADJOURNMENT

Please contact Anna Olsen at aolsen@rcdsantabarbara.org with any questions.