

Agenda of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors Of the San Benito Resource Conservation District

Thursday December 12, 2019 at 4:00 pm

The SBRCDD typically meets the 4th Thursday of the month at the NRCS Field Office at 4:00 pm
2337 Technology Pkwy. Suite C Hollister, CA 95023

Conference Dial-In-Number: 1(302) 202-1114

Conference Code: 207951

1. Meeting Called to Order
2. Public Comments *(The public may comment on any item not on the agenda. The law does not permit Board action on, or extended discussion of, any item not on the agenda except under special circumstances. If Board action is requested, the matter may be placed on a future agenda. Speakers comments will be limited to three (3) minutes.)*
3. Approval of Minutes: October 2019
4. Treasurer's Report/ Pay Bills (discussion & action)
 - a. Approval of Revenue and Expenditure Transaction Detail Summary
 - b. Invoices to be paid
5. New Business (discussion and possible action)
 - a. None
6. Old Business (discussion and possible action)
 - a. CARCD Conference Review
7. Ongoing Reports
 - a. NRCS District Conservationist Report for Hollister Service Center, James Booth
 - b. Director's Report
8. Incoming Correspondence (Correspondence folder is available for review at each board meeting, but is not included in the formalized agenda)
 - a. Ag Alert December 2019
 - b. Farm Bureau News December 2019
 - c. California Association of Resource Conservation Districts Annual Report 2018
 - d. Forestland Steward 2019 Newsletter
 - e. Special District Board Member Handbook 2018
 - f. Forestry Notes Summer 2019 Newsletter

- g. National Conservation Foundation Annual Report 2018
- 9. Upcoming Meetings and workshops

STRAW Restoration Planting Days on a Nearby Farm – December 13th

Please join STRAW (Students and Teachers Restoring a Watershed), the Resource Conservation District of Santa Cruz County, Hedgerows Unlimited, and local students and teachers to plant a 1,400-foot hedgerow along the edge of a farm and between fields. The native plant hedgerow will enhance erosion control and provide habitat for pollinators, beneficial insects, and wildlife. Located near the Santa Clara/San Benito county line, the property is farmed by [UC Farms, Inc.](#) and owned by Santa Clara Valley Open Space Authority.

San Benito Working Landscapes Group Meeting Tentative Date Thursday, January 16th, 2020

Interested local ranchers, farmers, rural landowners, and agency or organization representatives are invited to join us for our next roundtable meeting to share updates related to voluntary conservation projects on working agricultural lands in San Benito County and adjacent areas. Location and times TBA

Environmental & Land Use Issues in

Cannabis & Industrial Hemp

Friday, February 28, 2020 - Oakland, CA

This seminar will cover topics directly relevant to operating a legally compliant commercial cannabis business in California, with a focus on the top environmental risks facing cannabis businesses. The panelists will explain how to: (1) properly site a new cannabis project; (2) navigate CEQA, air and water quality requirements; (3) work with state and local regulatory agencies; and (4) lessen NIMBY complaints with advocacy and outreach. Experienced practitioners will focus on real world lessons gleaned from obtaining permits for cultivators (indoor, outdoor, and greenhouses), manufacturers and retailers. Attendees will hear directly from leading practitioners, land use planners, and operators about existing and proposed environmental cannabis regulations.

<https://www.theseminargroup.net/seminardetl.aspx?id=20.fiveSF>

- 10. Adjournment- Next scheduled meeting **January 23, 2020**