AGENDA
January 9, 2007

9:00 1. Call to Order

9:05 2. Consent Calendar

9:10 3. Administration
   A. Update on office space for lease/purchase (Jan)
   B. Financials
   C. CA Chamber of Commerce – On-line Labor Law Digest services

4. Action Items
   No Items on Agenda

9:30 5. Watershed and Special Projects Reports
   A. Navarro (Patty)

9:45 6. Director Discussion Items
   A. Introduction - Tom Schultz
   B. Carbon Credits (Geri)

10:30 7. Break

10:45 8. Public Comment
   Comment is limited to 3 minutes per person and no action will be taken

10:50 9. RC&D Council

11:00 10. NRCS Report

11:30 11. Adjourn
AGENDA
February 13, 2007

9:00  1. Call to Order

9:05  2. Consent Calendar

9:10  3. Administration
      A. Audit update
      B. Headcount for SRF Conference
      C. Review Long-range plan – comments/input
      D. Update on office space for lease/purchase (Jan)

4. Action Items
   A. Approve Randolph Scott & Co. as 2006-07 auditors
   B. Approve management letter for Randolph Scott & Co.
   C. Approve submission of proposal to USF&WS for fish passage barrier removal project on
      Bear Wallow Creek
   D. Approve entering into lease with Ron Meaux for office space

10:15 5. Director Discussion Items
       A. Carbon Credits (Geri)
       B. Other reports
       C. Farm Bill Letter

10:30 6. Break

10:45 7. Public Comment
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10:50 8. Board Training
       A. Brown Act / Division 9 (Jenny DiStephano)

12:00 9. Agency Reports
       A. NRCS report – Steve Smith

12:15 10. Adjourn
AGENDA
March 13, 2007

9:00 1. **Call to Order**

9:05 2. **Consent Calendar**

9:10 3. **Director Discussion Items**
   A. Carbon Credits video and discussion (Tyler and Geri)

9:45 4. **Action Items**
   A. Review and approve letter to Lin Brooks for NRCS assistance on Little River timber harvest
   B. Farm Bill letter (Tyler and Geri)

10:00 5. **Administration**
   A. Auditor’s Report – Giulie Camden, CPA
   B. Discussion of CEQA for Coordinated Permitting (Jan)

10:30 6. **Break**

10:45 7. **Action Items cont’d**
   C. Review and complete long-range plan
   D. Review letter of intent to lease office space from Ron Meaux.
      ▪ Approve entering into lease agreement pending review/comments by County Counsel
   E. Nomination for LAFCO representative

11:40 8. **Public Comment**
   *Comment is limited to 3 minutes per person and no action will be taken*

11:45 9. **NRCS Report**
   A. Discussion of Farmland Mapping and approve board participation in LAC
   B. Update on Russian River Coordination proposal to NRCS

12:00 10. **Adjourn**
AGENDA
April 10, 2007

9:00 1. Call to Order

9:05 2. Consent Calendar

9:10 3. Administration
A. Update on rental agreement with Ron Meaux
B. Update on Prop 50 – North Coast IRWM contracting
C. Update on 319(h) funding for Navarro
D. Potential request for additional funding from County
E. RC&D Farm Energy Audit workshop -- April 26th
F. Expiring Terms must reapply with county for director position

9:45 4. Projects and Special Reports
A. Navarro Implementation II (Patty)
   1. Summary of project
   2. Update on Conservation Planning program
   3. Update on Coordinated Permitting

10:30 5. Break

10:45 6. Action Items
A. Review and approve to sponsor DFG grant for Stornetta Ranch
B. Discussion and approval of payment to contractors for SCC 06-054 project
C. Approve entering into agreement with NRCS for ARC-GIS software usage

11:00 7. Director Discussion Items
A. Update on Brown Act training – Jerome (15 min)
B. Other reports

11:25 8. Public Comment
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11:30 9. RC&D Council Update
A. Conference April 24-27 in Sacramento – Biomass focus
B. Tour with Ed Burton on April 17th
C. Sonoma County Forest Working Group: “Conserving Family Forests”

11:45 10. NRCS Report

12:00 11. Adjourn
AGENDA
May 8, 2007

9:00  1.  Call to Order

9:05  2.  Consent Calendar

9:10  3.  Administration
       A.  Update on relocation
       B.  Discussion on LAFCO boundaries
       C.  Update on RC&D Farm Energy Audit workshop
       D.  Update on request from DFG to sponsor Stornetta project
       E.  Update on Board Training (Nicole)

9:30  4.  Projects and Special Reports
       A.  Watershed Programs (Patty)

9:40  5.  Action Items
       A.  Discussion and approval of check-writing policy
       B.  Approve request letter for additional funding from County
       C.  Approve submission of DFG proposals
       D.  Letter of Support for Wilderness Society re: controlled burns (Geri)
       E.  Discuss/approve request for advertising/sponsorship of Fire Safe Council publication

10:00 6.  Director Discussion Items

10:10 7.  Public Comment
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10:15 8.  Break

10:30 9.  RC&D Council Update

10:45 10.  NRCS Report

11:00 11.  Projects and Special Reports cont’d
          A.  Eric Holst – Center for Conservation Incentives Environmental Defense
              •  Presentation on greenhouse gas offset projects in No. CA (40 min)
              •  Q&A (20 min)

12:00 12.  Old Business
          A.  Review and Approve Long-Range plan

1:00  13.  Adjourn
AGENDA
June 12, 2007

9:00  1.  Call to Order

9:05  2.  Consent Calendar

9:10  3.  Administration
   A.  Request for additional credit card for Contracts Administrator (Jan)
   B.  Document submission for board meetings (Brown Act) update (Nicole)
   C.  Director paperwork for reappointment to RCD board
   D.  Review, discussion, approval of proposed budget
   E.  Update on Insurance carriers and costs
   F.  Relocation estimates
   G.  Appoint/reappoint personnel subcommittee
   H.  Discussion of Carbon Credits/Eric Holst presentation
   I.  Discussion of John Thomas request for board to allocate EQIP funding towards IPM for pear industry.

10:00  4.  Action Items
   A.  Resolution to accepts funds for NCIRWM grant (Prop 50)
   B.  Nominations for Chair FY2007-08
   C.  Review and approve new RCD policies
      i.  Grant Proposal Submissions
      ii.  Agenda

10:20  5.  Program Reports
   A.  Safe Harbor agreements (Patty)
   B.  Future of River Center (Patty)

10:40  6.  Break

10:55  7.  Director Discussion Items
   A.  1603 Permits (Tyler)

11:15  8.  Public Comment
   Comment is limited to 3 minutes per person and no action will be taken

11:20  9.  Board Training
   A.  Update on CSDA training in financials – Jerome

11:30  10.  RC&D Council
   A.  Report on meeting with city of Ft.Bragg (Craig)

11:45  11.  Agency Reports
   A.  NRCS report – Steve Smith

12:00  12.  Adjourn
AGENDA
July 10, 2007

9:00  1. Call to Order

9:05  2. Consent Calendar

9:10  3. Administration
   A. Review and approval of lease with Ron Meaux Associates (tentative)
   B. NACD membership discussion/approval of payment
   C. CARCD discussion and approval of annual membership dues
   D. Elect LAFCO representative

9:30  4. Action Items
   A. Election of Chair, Vice-Chair
   B. Approve 6th amended SDRMA joint powers authority agreement and resolution
   C. 1603 Permits – Discussion and possible action – (Tyler)
   D. Authorize one month cost to support River Center (Patty)
   E. Discussion and approval of developing Safe Harbor agreements for ponds (Patty)

10:15  5. Break

10:30  6. Director Discussion Items

10:40  7. Public Comment
   Comment is limited to 3 minutes per person and no action will be taken

10:45  8. RC&D Council
   A. Update on Biomass project
   B. Discussion and possible action on continued staff involvement in RC&D Council

10:55  9. Agency Reports
   A. NRCS report – Steve Smith
   B. Lin Brooks
   C. Operational Agreement – Tier 3

11:55 10. Executive Session
   A. Annual Performance Reviews and Wage Increases

12:10  11. Report on Executive Session

12:15  12. Adjourn
AGENDA
August 14, 2007

9:00  1. Call to Order
9:05  2. Consent Calendar
9:10  3. Administration
     A. Approve SDRMA Resolution 151 for execution of MOU for medical benefits
     B. Approve MOU between MCRCD and SDRMA for medical benefits
     C. Approve Resolution 153 between MCRCD and SWRCB authorizing representative
     D. Approve and sign lease with Ron Meaux
     E. Appoint sub-committee to review SDRMA candidates to make voting recommendations at September meeting
     F. Discussion and possible action for board training provided by County Counsel
     G. Discussion and possible action for Ray Ledgerwood training
     H. Discussion and request for Farm Bill Information for September meeting
     I. Discussion and possible action to request including Conservation dollars as “mandatory” on new Farm Bill
     J. Approve amendment to Contractor Selection policy

9:50  4. Action Items
     A. Election of Vice-Chair
     B. Appoint finance committee members
     C. Discussion and possible action to change board meeting time (Tyler)
     D. Discussion and possible action on request for sponsorship of SRF conference
     E. Discussion and possible action on Local Workgroup priorities (EQIP 2007-08) (15 min)

10:30 5. Director Discussion Items
     A. Director responsibilities (Jerome)
     B. Update on Carbon Credits discussion with Eric Holst (Geri)

10:45 6. Break

11:00 7. Watershed Reports
     A. Program Report - Patty Madigan
     B. Coordinated Permitting – progress update

11:15 8. Public Comment
     Comments limited to 3 minutes per person; no action will be taken.

11:20 9. Agency Reports
     A. NRCS report – Steve Smith

11:35 10. Executive Session
     A. Annual Performance Reviews and Wage Increases

11:55 11. Report on Executive Session

12:00 12. Adjourn
BOARD MEETING AGENDA
September 11, 2007

9:00 1. Call to Order

9:05 2. Consent Calendar

9:10 3. Administration
   A. Consider approval of the following policies:
      1. Board Meeting Conduct
      2. Board Meeting Minutes
      3. Board Meetings
      4. Ethics Training
      5. Expenditure Reimbursement
      6. Rules of Order
   B. Consider approval to submit Tobacco Settlement Proposal for River Center.

4. Public Comment
   A. Public Comment is limited to 3 minutes per person and no action will be taken.

9:45 5. New Business
   A. Discussion and consideration of MCRCD’s role in Caltrans Willits By-Pass Mitigation Project
      1. Presentation on conservation easements (Roger Sternberg)
   B. Discussion and consideration of dates for an additional meeting to hear presentation from Alameda County RCD and NRCS on similar project.

10:30 6. Break

10:45 New Business cont’d
   C. Consider hosting and sponsoring a carbon credits workshop with Eric Holst of Environmental Defense
      A. Appoint subcommittee to develop workshop

11:00 7. Director Discussion Items
   A. Director responsibilities (Jerome)
   B. Attendance at North Coast CARCD meeting October 4, 2007
   C. Consider submitting resolutions to CARCD Annual Meeting
   D. Other director reports

11:30 8. Agency Reports
   A. NRCS report – Carol Mandel

11:45 9. RC&D Council Update

12:00 10. Adjourn
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING AGENDA
September 25, 2007

3:00  1. Call to Order

3:05  2. Public Comment
   A. Public Comment is limited to 3 minutes per person and no action will be taken. The public may speak regarding agenda items at the time the matter is taken up. Non-agenda items within the Board’s jurisdiction can be addressed under Public Comment.

3:10  3. Old Business
   A. Caltrans Willits By-Pass Mitigation Project Information
      1. Presentation by Alameda County RCD and NRCS: Karen Sweet-Executive Director, Terry Huff – NRCS District Conservationist, and Bob Nuzum – Negotiator for Cooperative Agreement

4:50  4. Administration
   A. Head count for annual CARCD Conference in Rancho Cordova 11/7 – 11/10/2007
   B. Appoint Delegate to CARCD Conference meeting
   C. Approve Resolution 154 for submission to CARCD and North Coast CARCD for consideration and vote at state conference.
   D. Discussion and consideration of cancelling November board meeting due to possible new Open House date, November 6th, and staff and board attendance at CARCD conference.
   E. Confirm board attendance at North Coast CARCD meeting

5:10  5. Adjourn
PROCEDURES AND NOTES

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REGULAR BOARD MEETING AGENDA
October 9, 2007

9:00  1. Call to Order

9:05  2. Consent Calendar

9:10  3. Administration
   A. November activities
      I. Open House
      II. Meeting with Ray Ledgerwood
      III. State Conference
   B. Review and approve Annual Plan
   C. Approve MOA with Inland Weed Management Area
   D. Election of Vice-Chair
   E. Consideration and approval of RCD Resolutions submitted to CARCD
   F. Discussion of potential Role in Willits Mitigation project (staff)

4. Public Comment
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taken. The public may speak regarding agenda items at the time the
matter is taken up. Non-agenda items within the Board’s jurisdiction
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10:15 5. Old Business
   A. Willits By-Pass Mitigation Project Cont’d.
      I. Q&A with Caltrans Project Manager Andrea Williams and Senior
         Environmental Planner Jeremy Ketchum

10:45 6. Break

11:00 7. Old Business cont’d
   A. Caltrans Q&A cont’d

11:30 8. Directors’ Discussion
   A. Next Steps with Caltrans

11:55 9. Partner Reports
   A. NRCS

12:00 10. Adjourn
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SPECIAL BOARD MEETING AGENDA
November 5, 2007

9:00 1. Call to Order

9:05 2. Consent Calendar

9:10 3. Administration
   A. Open House – November 20th
   B. Approve MOA with Inland Weed Management Area
   C. Approval of proposals:
      319(h) – Navarro Sediment Reduction, Phase II
      319(h) – Conservation Planning
      Fish & Game Commission – Clean and Green in Mendocino County
      NFWF – Ludwigia mapping for IMCWMA
   D. Election of Vice-Chair
   E. Review and approval of CARCD Resolutions
   F. Discuss looking into obtaining tax base

4. Public Comment
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9:45 5. Old Business
   A. Willits Bypass Mitigation Project – Discussion of various scenarios in the project and possible action regarding MCRCD’s role

10:15 6. Break

10:30 7. Old Business
   A. Willits Bypass Mitigation Project – Discuss various scenarios and possible action regarding MCRCD’s role

11:00 8. Director Items
   A. John McMenomey – resignation
   B. Discuss moving to a 7 member board

11:15 9. Partner Reports
   A. NRCS

11:30 10. Adjourn
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REGULAR BOARD MEETING AGENDA
December 11, 2007

1. Call to Order

9:05 2. Consent Calendar

9:10 3. Partner Reports
   NRCS – Steve Smith
   A. Direction and approval on NRCS contract cancellations
   B. Discussion of Locally Important Farmland Mapping

9:25 4. Administration
   A. Approve of rotating invoicing to allow for semi-monthly billing
   B. Ethics Training – bi-annual requirement
   C. Approve Operational Agreement with NRCS
   D. Approve Resolution to submit Forsythe Creek proposal
   E. Approve Resolution to enter into a cooperative agreement with Caltrans
      for work conducted on the Willits bypass mitigation project
   F. Approve moving to 7 person board
   G. Board responsibilities for the Willits bypass mitigation project
   H. Discussion of next steps for the Willits bypass mitigation project

10:55 5. Public Comment
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      taken. The public may speak regarding agenda items at the time the
      matter is taken up. Non-agenda items within the Board’s jurisdiction
      can be addressed under Public Comment.

11:00 6. Break

11:15 7. District Program Updates
   A. DWR Robinson Creek
   B. DFG Red Hill Gulch
   C. DFG Feliz Creek
   D. Carbon Credits Workshop

11:30 8. Director Items
   A. John McMenomey – resignation
   B. CARCD State Conference update - Geri Hulse-Stephens

12:00 8. New Business
   A. Meet agency personnel from State Coastal Conservancy, DFG, NMFS,
      and West Coast Watershed for possible Willits restoration program

12:15 9. Adjourn

12:15 Lunch

1:00 For those who want to join us, Geri will lead a tour of the Willits mitigation
project area in the afternoon with DFG and SCC.
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