



Upper Salinas-Las Tablas Resource Conservation District

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GENERAL MEETING AGENDA and NOTICE

4:00 pm April 23, 2026

Atascadero Library O'Grady Conference Room
6555 Capistrano Ave, Atascadero, CA

I. Call to Order, 4:00pm by Tom Mora

Attendance:

Board Directors: Tom Mora, President; Steve Carter, Treasurer; Chris Smith; Eric Michielssen, Mike Bonnheim

Staff: Drew Loganbill, Executive Director/Board Secretary;

Public: Hilary Phillips

II. Additions/Changes to the Agenda (Gov. Code §54954.2(b))

Remove IV. d. Staff Presentation – Wildlife habitat and pollinator projects – Hailey Morello

Add VI. Willow Creek Conservancy TAC

III. Public Comment- None

IV. RCD Reports

- a. Board Updates (limited to 2 minutes per person, NTE 10 minutes total) – MB asked about lobby and advocate for legislation for RCDs. DL responded that CARCD is big advocate for RCDs.
- b. Executive Director Report
 - Beaver Fest – was well attended. Amy shared booth with Coast San Luis RCD and were providing plants to people who completed bingo card to visit booths. Successful outreach event.
 - Cambria Earth Day Celebration – Spencer tabled event with good turnout. Another successful outreach event.
 - Earth Day Volunteer Planting Day – April 25
 - Sheep Shearing Shindig City Farm SLO – May 9th
 - Meeting with Carbajal cancelled. Awaiting to hear if going to be rescheduled.
 - Received CA Exempt license plates for vehicles, except for Blue Ford which needs smog.
 - City Farm SLO – donation to be sponsor at Farm Games Hoedown on Aug 15th.
 - Form 700 – Request board members to fill out and return at next meeting.
 - Audit update – 2023-2024 audit started. Marina and Drew worked hard to provide all requested documentation and waiting for next steps.
- c. Project Updates
 - Cal Poly Construction Management working on several projects at Willow Creek Conservancy including kiosk boards, shade house, workbench/cabinet, and bathroom.
 - Direct award – purchasing brush hog mower and trailer. Brush hog mower purchased this week will help with vegetation maintenance for wildfire risk along roads and trails.
 - Toro Creek approved by Caltrans legal and accounting teams. Moving forward to signing into contract.

V. Consent Agenda

- a. Approval of regular meeting minutes for March - SC motion to approve, EM second, all present approve.
- b. Approval of April Treasurer's Report – SC answered pending questions from last meeting to explain that January wages were higher because it included 3 pay checks that month. Hendrix



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amortization was for past lease and required to keep on books. – MB motion to approve, CS second, all present approve.

VI. Other Agency, Director, and Association Reports

- a. NRCS Report – Hilary Phillips provided update on Farm Bill programs. Templeton Office received approximately 75 applications and 90% funded. Good mix of projects from rangeland livestock water improvements, fencing, grazing management. RPP, new program for regenerative ag, requires soil testing before and after implementation of conservation practices. Soil health projects in cropland fundpool. Two BDA projects approved for funding. Mentioned that RCPP was announced.
- b. WRAC – No meeting
- c. ALAB – Not attended
- d. Willow Creek Conservancy TAC – 501-c-3 status would require a lot of time and a separate board of directors. Time and cost to establish doesn't justify benefits at this time. Exploring grazing opportunities and grants for WCC. Have first community event this weekend. Plan to have quarterly workshops.

VII. Board Discussion and/or Action Items

- a. Land Conservancy of SLO Forbearance Agreement – Tabled to next meeting – waiting for legal review from County Counsel
- b. Special District Alternate Seat Election – Board review ballot and candidate statements and provided vote. CS motion to approve vote, SC second, all present approve.
- c. 3rd Quarter Budget Review and discussion –
 - Budget is slowly transitioning to align with best accounting practices. Have already made some changes based on revised/current protocol and will notice next month in recategorization of revenue and expenses. Waiting on feedback from CPA on where to categorize other items.
 - No budget modifications for 3rd quarter.
 - Plan to have draft 26-27 budget for review at next board meeting.

VIII. Agenda Setting

- a. Next board meeting location and date – June 25th at 4:00pm.

IX. Adjournment – EM motion to adjourn, CS second, all present approve. - 5:44 pm