



CCRCD Board Meeting

August 15th, 2023

3PM at 100 Sunrise Blvd., Suite A-3



Acceptance of Agenda

- Agenda 8 23.docx



Partner Reports

- County of Colusa, Supervisor, Unappointed- Harper followed up last week for a BOS representative to participate in the CCRCDD meetings.
- Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS), District Conservationist, Owen Hemming
- County of Colusa, Department of Agriculture, Agriculture Commissioner, Anastacia Allen





Approval of Minutes

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Financial Report

- Checking and County Funds
- Claims to be paid in August

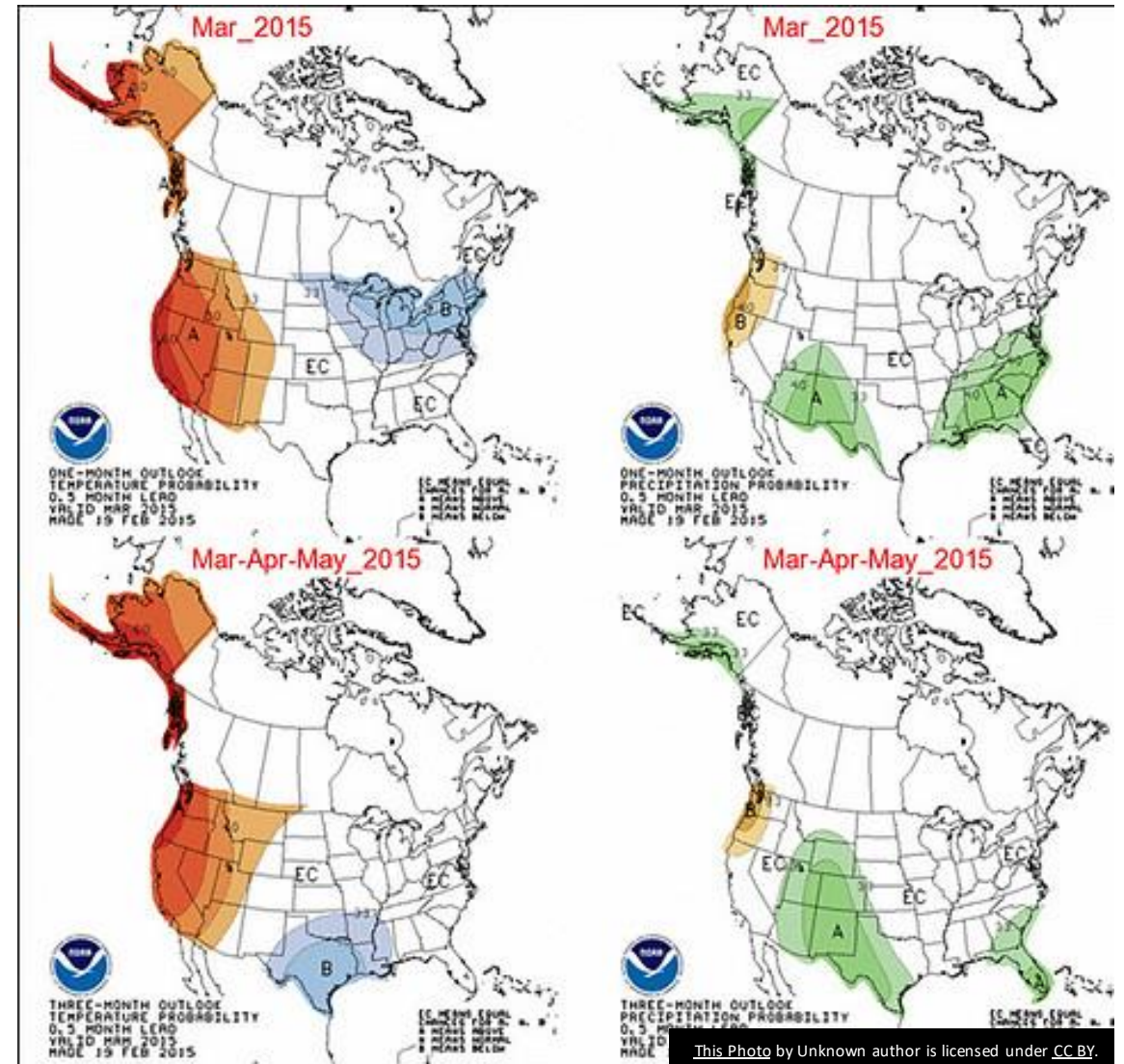
Discussion and Action Item

- Update on Staff Recruitment-
Sacramento Valley Soil Hub
Coordinator
 - Three interviews
 - Offered job to one
candidate
 - Tour of the districts August
17th



Discussion and Action Item

- Long-Range Plan Update
 - [LRP 23-28 AmendmentDRAFT.docx](#)



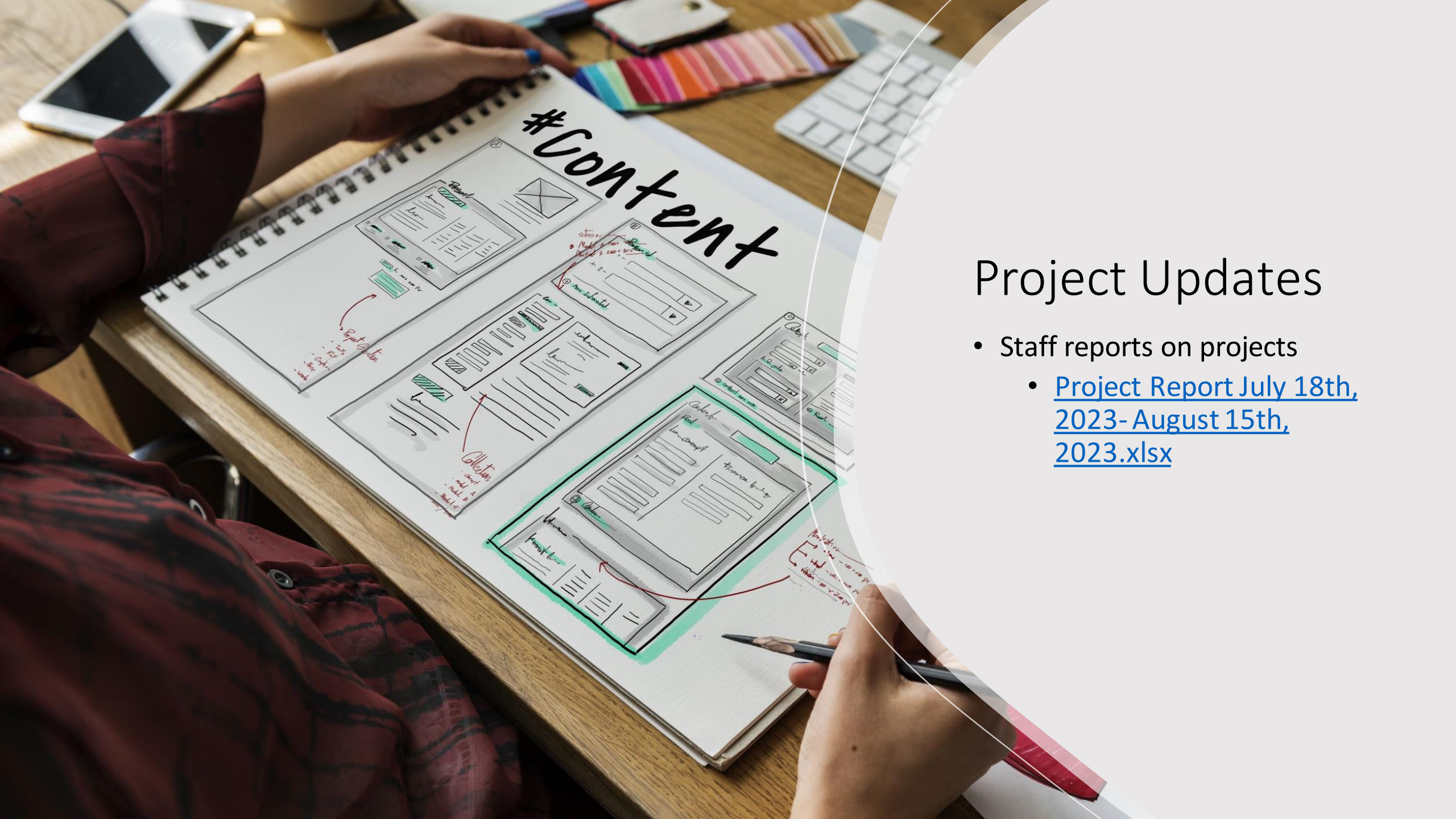


Discussion and Action Item

- Update on Contract with County of Colusa- Fire Mitigation County Coordinator
 - RCD received contract for \$45,000
 - [County \(FM\) Contract.pdf](#)
 - Voted to approve new contract without predetermined contractor
 - County contracted with the RCD and separately contracted with Kingsley
 - Our Board discussed and voted that we would request the full contract amount for current staff and subcontract as RCD Board sees fit according to CCRCDC policy
 - King reached out to county taking issue with a continued contract with Kingsley, a former employer
 - County took the contracts from the BOS agenda to review
 - County may walk away from project
 - What does the board want to do from here?

Discussion Item

- Reminder to all Directors
 - Ethics Training
 - Anti-Harassment Training
 - Link sent to email to trainings
 - Username and Password was sent to you in email
- Print off or Email Certificate for RCD records



Project Updates

- Staff reports on projects
 - [Project Report July 18th, 2023-August 15th, 2023.xlsx](#)

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Adjournment
- Next meeting September 19th at 3pm
- Let's celebrate our Former Board Members!!!!





RESOURCE
CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Tuesday, August 15th, 2023

3:00 PM in the RCD Office

100 Sunrise Blvd; Suite A-3, Colusa, CA 95932

MEETING AGENDA

- I. Open Meeting
 - A. Introductions

- II. Acceptance of Agenda
 - A. Members of the Board and/or staff may request additions, deletions, and/or changes in the agenda

- III. Public/Partners Communication: (5-minute limit, unless prescheduled)
 - A. Colusa County Board of Supervisors; *Unappointed, Supervisor*
 - B. NRCS; *Owen Hemming, Colusa Field Office DC*
 - C. Colusa County Ag Department; *Anastacia Allen, Ag Commissioner*

- IV. Approval of Minutes- July 18th, 2023

- V. Financial Report
 - A. Checking & County Funds
 - B. Claims to be paid in August

- VI. CCRCO Discussion & Action Items:
 - A. **Discussion:** *Update on staff recruitment- Regional Soil Hub Coordinator*
 - B. **Discussion & Action:** *Long-Range Plan Update*
 - C. **Discussion & Action:** *Update on Contract with County of Colusa-Fire Mitigation Coordinator*
 - D. **Discussion:** *Director Requirements: Training, Terms*

- VII. Staff and Director Reports
 - A. Project Updates
 - 1. UPDATED NRCS Cooperative Agreement 2021
 - 2. Colusa Glenn Sub-watershed Program
 - 3. CalFire Forest Health Grant 2019
 - 4. CalFire Forest Health Grant 2021
 - 5. NRCS Regional Conservation Partnership Program
 - 6. CDFA's Climate Smart Agriculture TA
 - 7. UPDATED DOC's Regional Fire and Fuel Capacity Program
 - 8. NEW CDFA's Pollinator Habitat Program
 - 9. NEW County of Colusa Fire Mitigation Coordinator Support
 - 10. NEW CARCD/WCB Pollinator Habitat Grant
 - 11. NEW CDFA Conservation AG Planning
 - 12. CARCD/CCI Regional Soil Health Hub Coordinator
 - B. Durable Collaboration
 - C. Miscellaneous Staff and Director Reports

- VIII. **Public Comment**
- IX. **Adjournment:** The next meeting is on September 19th, 2023, at 3pm in the CCRCO Office (100 Sunrise Blvd.; Suite A-3, Colusa CA 95932).

NOTIFICATION & AGENDA TOPIC REQUESTS: If you would like to be notified of future meetings and events or request a specific agenda topic, please call Liz Harper, Executive Director at (530) 458-5131 Ext. 117 or email Liz@ColusaRCD.org. Visit www.ColusaRCD.org for approved Minutes and Agendas.

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Colusa County
RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT
July 18th, 2023

100 Sunrise Blvd. Suite A-3, Colusa, CA. 95932
CCRCD Meeting Minutes

DIRECTORS PRESENT: Tom Hickok, Walt Seaver, Ben King, Allen Gobel, Beth Nall, Alex Struckmeyer, Nas Chaudhary (arrived 3:40pm)

ASSOCIATE DIRECTORS ABSENT: Jennifer Sanders, Kim Gallagher

OTHERS PRESENT: Liz Harper- CCRCD Executive Director, Owen Hemming-NRCS Colusa Field District Conservationist, Alexandra Berlier- CCRCD Office Assistant and Bookkeeper, Ben Martin-NRCS Biologist, Ana Julia- NRCS Intern, Eduardo Blancas-RCD Conservation Project Coordinator, Tucker Bennett- RCD Natural Resource Coordinator, Abbey Morris- CCRCD Outreach and Education Intern

The meeting was called to order at 3:05 pm.

ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA: Agenda was presented with no changes or additions. Stuckmeyer moved to approve the agenda as slated. The motion was seconded by Gobel. The motion passed with 6 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent, 0 Abstain, 0 Vacant.

PUBLIC/PARTNERS COMMUNICATIONS:

Anastacia Allen, County of Colusa's Agriculture Commissioner, reported on behalf of the Ag Department. The crop report for 2022 is in its final review. The preliminary data show significant losses across all commodities grown in Colusa County. There is a new test for the private applicator license that you all must re-take to get a new card for this coming year.

Owen Hemming, District Conservationist, reported on behalf of the Natural Resource Conservation Service, that there were 70 new contracts being obligated this year.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The minutes for the meeting on June 20th, 2023, and Special Meeting on June 27th, 2023, were presented to the board. The minutes for both board meetings were approved as presented. Gobel moved to approve the minutes. Struckmeyer seconded the motion. The motion passed with 7 Ayes, 0 Noes, 0 Absent, 0 Abstain, 0 Vacant.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

The Directors present received balance sheets for the period of June 19th- July 18th, 2023. The CCRCD's fund balances were as follows: Umpqua checking account \$1,400.00; Petty Cash account \$100.00; CCRCD General Fund (464) \$;211,710.03; CCRCD Misc. Projects (473) \$26,287.65; CalFire fund (477) \$104,227.50; The DOC fund (475) \$188,318.60; and Clearing Account fund (465) \$0.

The Board was presented with six (6) claims to be paid in July. Colusa County RCD-Elizabeth Harper for \$242.31; Clyde Hladky for \$1,200.00; Colusa County Farm Bureau for \$122.00; Kingsley Farms for \$5,347.68; California Association of RCDs for \$925.00; and US Bank for \$1,373.11.

The fund balances and claims to be paid in June were approved by the board. Gobel moved to approve the financial report and claims to be paid in June. Hickok seconded the motion. The motion passed with 7 Ayes, 0 Noes, 0 Absent, 0 Abstain, 0 Vacant.

CCRCD DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS:

Harper updated the board on new hire start dates. Tucker Bennett, Natural Resource Coordinator, began work July 3, 2023. In addition, Harper reported that the RCD is actively recruiting for the Sacramento Valley Regional Soil Hub Coordinator. The interview will take place in early August.

Harper presented the board with the FY 23/24 Budget with amendments to be reviewed and approved. This fiscal year expenses and income were adjusted based on the latest programs and a new fund with the County's Auditor's Office. Stuckmeyer moved to approve the amended FY 23/24 Budget. King seconded the motion. The motion passed with 7 Ayes, 0 Noes, 0 Absent, 0 Abstain, 0 Vacant.

Harper presented the board with the Procurement Policy to review. Harper presented the board with a request to buy a side-by-side off-highway vehicle for fire mitigation and forest project needs. Early Action Funding from DOC's Regional Fire and Forest grant.

The board discussed getting at least three bids from different places. Director Seaver was appointed to oversee the bidding process and selection process. King moved to have a budget of \$30,000 for an OHV and Trailer to house it. Struckmeyer seconded the motion. The motion passed with 7 Ayes, 0 Noes, 0 Absent, 0 Abstain, 0 Vacant.

Harper presented the board with a Settlement Agreement to pay Kingsley Farms for tree survey work. The agreement was reviewed, and the board discussed signing the agreement and paying Kingsley for two invoices for the work done. King moved to approve payment and settlement agreement with Kingsley Farms. The motion was seconded by Hickok. The motion passed with 7 Ayes, 0 Noes, 0 Absent, 0 Abstain, 0 Vacant.

Harper went over the board of director requirements, trainings, and forms to be filed to serve on the RCD board. The board also planned on having a short meeting in August and inviting back former directors to celebrate their years of service.

Harper presented the latest version of the Long-Range Plan for the directors to review. The board will make changes and finalize the plan in the coming months.

CCRCD REPORTS:

- **UPDATED NRCS Cooperative Agreement 2021:** Tucker started July 3rd, 2023, and just got computer access approval from NRCS. He has been able to go on field visits and attend online training.
- **Colusa Glenn Sub Watershed Program:** Nothing to report.
- **Healthy Soils Demonstration Site:** Closed
- **UPDATED 2019 CalFire Forest Health Grant:** Eduardo has gotten familiar with the FH19 grant and project progression. Submitted deferred invoice reporting to eCivis and drafted current quarterly reports. Received Amendment approval from CalFire. Building ability for Tree Surveys by reviewing NRCS Woodland Tech Notes and related coursework on ISA (had Tucker do the same) and is scheduling time to complete surveys with Tucker and Gary.
- **2021 CalFire Forest Health Grant:** Eduardo has gotten familiar with FH21 and project progression. All staff attended a field day with Gary to get an in-person view of the on-the-ground process. Submitted Accountability Report with Liz, Drafted Invoice 9 reports and are reviewing before eCivis submission.
- **Department of Conservation (DOC) RFFC:** Eduardo is working on obtaining Esri software subscription for ArcGIS Pro to complete mapping tasks (submission for Non-Profit pricing is our hold up). Compiled list of PPE and First Aid kits and scheduled First Aid/CPR training with OnSite for field work. Interviewed with Liz for Regional Profile by the California Wildfire and Forest Resilience Task Force and working on distributing Stakeholder Input Survey. Reviewed CWPP and have sent it in to the CalFire LNU unit Chiefs for a final review.
- **After the Fire RCPP:** Eduardo and Tucker have watched the presentation on the overview of the RCPP project that went over the rules and regulations or RCD and NRCS Partners.
- **TNC- Outreach and Education:** Nothing to report.
- **CARCD Monarch TA on Working:** Completed
- **CDFA Climate Smart Ag TA for HSP:** An Informational checklist has been created by Abbey for producers, so they know what is needed when it comes time to apply for funding. Abbey also created a flyer template for when workshops are held.
- **CDFA Climate Smart Ag TA for SWEEP:** Informational checklist has been created by Abbey for producers, so they know what is needed when it comes time to apply for funding. Abbey also created a flyer template for when workshops are held.
- **NEW CDFA Pollinator Habitat Program:** Tucker has read the grant agreement and scope of work for the PHP program to get up to speed on the project ideals and goals. He has reached out to landowners to confirm their interest in the project funding. Informational brochures and PowerPoint were made for outreach. Abbey learned about the project and then created a flyer with basic information on the project to distribute, as well as putting together a PowerPoint for when workshops are held.
- **NEW County of Colusa Fire Mitigation Coordinator:** Eduardo and Liz have attended meetings with local Tribal leaders to gauge interest in the creation of a Fire Safe Council. Eduardo will meet the local Fire Chiefs with the County Coordinator to also gauge interest in the creation of the FSC. Abbey worked on creating a PowerPoint for the first presentation meeting.
- **NEW CARCD/WCB Habitat Restoration:** Tucker has read the WCB contract and scope of work to get up to speed on the project ideals and goals. He has reached out to landowners to confirm their interest in the project funding. Liz and Tucker have met with Davis Ranch to go over the next steps for the project with its partners.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:56 pm. The next meeting will be Tuesday, August 15th, 2023, at 3pm at the RCD office.

Respectfully Submitted,

Elizabeth Harper-Secretary/Treasurer-Colusa Co. RCD

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Colusa County



RESOURCE
CONSERVATION DISTRICT

2023-2028 Long Range Plan

DIRECTORS

Walt Seaver- President
Beth Nall- Vice President
Tom Hickok
Allen Gobel
Nas Chaudhary
Ben King
Alex Struckmeyer

ASSOCIATE DIRECTORS

Jennifer Sanders, September 2019
Kimberly Gallagher, December 2020

STAFF

Elizabeth Harper- Executive Director, January 1, 2019
Tucker Bennett, Natural Resources Coordinator, July 3, 2023
Eduardo Blancas, Conservation Project Coordinator, June 26th, 2023
Alexandra Berlier, Office Assistant/Bookkeeper, March 16th, 2022
Abbey Morris, Outreach and Education Intern, June 20th, 2023

The purpose of the Colusa County Resource Conservation District's (CCRCD) Long Range Plan is to provide a foundation whereby natural resource concerns within Colusa County may be identified, studied, and addressed. The Long-Range Plan will be reviewed annually and remain effective for a period of 5 years.

Adopted September 16, 2014
Reviewed and amended, November 9, 2016
Reviewed and amended, February 19th, 2019
Reviewed and amended, October 7th, 2020
Reviewed and amended, October 19th, 2021
Reviewed and amended, September 19th, 2023

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CCRCD 2023-2028 LONG RANGE PLAN
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MISSION STATEMENT OF THE CCRCD:

The mission of the CCRCD is to protect, conserve, and restore natural resources through locally led education and implementation activities that support a healthy environment and provide economic sustainability through wise land use.

HISTORY

Soil Conservation Districts, now known as Resource Conservation Districts or RCD's, were formed in the 1930's after the unparalleled ecological disaster known as the Dust Bowl. At the present time every county in the United States has a conservation district.

Originally Colusa County had two Districts, voluntarily organized by landowners, under the provisions of Division 9 of the Public Resource Code of the State of California. The Stonyford Resource Conservation District (Western portion of Colusa County) was formed in 1956 and the Colusa County Resource Conservation District (Eastern Colusa County) was organized in 1959. In 1996 the two separate districts merged to better serve the needs of Colusa County in its entirety. This united district became known as the "Colusa County Resource Conservation District."

NATURAL RESOURCE PRIORITIES:

The Long-Range Plan identifies the following natural resources priorities in the district and defines the goals, objectives, and actions necessary to address these priorities. The completion of all stated work is conditioned upon securing and maintaining adequate funding sources to support staff and the implementation of conservation practices.

NATURAL RESOURCE PRIORITIES

- LOCALLY LED NATURAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT
- WATER QUALITY AND QUANTITY
- VEGETATION QUALITY
- CLIMATE CHANGE
- SOIL QUALITY
- AIR QUALITY
- SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE
- NATURAL RESOURCE EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS
- PUBLIC RECREATION AND SPACE
- WILDLIFE HABITAT

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LOCALLY LED NATURAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

GOAL: Natural Resource Management Driven by Local Needs Facilitated by a strong and viable Resource Conservation District

Objective 1: CCRCD maintains good business practices that exceed the minimum requirements of California Resource Conservation Districts

Actions:

- *Adopt Annual Budget and modify as needed*
- *Complete Annual Audits*
- *Review Monthly Financial Reports*
- *Review and Update Long Range Plan as needed*
- *Complete Annual Plans*
- *Develop Fee for Service Opportunities*
- *Obtain overhead fees from all projects (if allowed)*
- *Assist CARCD and Conservation Strategy Group with efforts to obtain state funding for RCDs*
- *Fulfill all meeting requirements of the Brown Act*
- *Keep All CCRCD Policies/Protocols up to date*
- *Maintain staff to run the day-to-day affairs of the district*

Objective 2: Secure and retain knowledgeable staff to address the natural resource priorities in the district

Actions:

- *Provide ongoing training*
- *Share staff with other RCD's when necessary*

Objective 3: Promote the good work of the CCRCD

Actions:

- *Newspaper articles and other publications*
- *Participation in community events*
- *Regular presentations to Board of Supervisors (annual or 2X/year)*

Objective 4: Maintain an active and engaged Board of Directors and encourage associate directors

Actions:

- *Keep current, Form 700 and Ethics Training*
- *All areas of District and all land uses are represented on the Board*
- *Encourage new associate directors*

Objective 5: Maintain strong partnerships

Actions:

- *Participate in other entities meetings and events*

Objective 6: Create and Maintain an organizational culture of equity, diversity, and inclusion

- *Include Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Initiatives in Long Range Plan, Strategic Plan*
- *Refer and be directed by the **USDA's Five-Year Strategic Mission and Diversity and Inclusion Plan Fiscal Years 2020-2024** (attached)*
- *Seek training on antiracism and equity in workplace*
- *Involvement with EDI at the state and regional level*
- *Develop and Maintain Group Agreements for CCRCD*
- *Seek programs and projects that benefit the whole community and identify community needs that need to be addressed*

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WATER QUALITY AND QUANTITY

GOAL: Clean and Abundant Surface water and Groundwater for all Beneficial Uses in Colusa County

Objective 1: Reduce sediment, nutrient, and pesticide runoff into waterways

Actions:

- *Promote and identify landowner incentives to implement best management practices to reduce sediment and nutrient runoff including buffer strips, filter strips, grassed waterways, crop residue, conservation tillage practices, nutrient management, irrigation water management and cover crops.*
- *Encourage best management practices to reduce pesticide runoff including scouting for weeds, disease, or pests and match the management plan to the weed, disease, or pest*
- *Collaborate with and assist the Colusa Glenn Subwatershed Program when possible*

Objective 2: Implement practices that address drought conditions and promote practices that increase irrigation efficiency

Actions:

- *Promote subsurface drip irrigation*
- *Encourage Producers to utilize mobile Irrigation labs as available*
- *Lobby for irrigation efficiency practices to remain a top priority for local Farm Bill projects*
- *Plant non-irrigated native permanent vegetation*
- *Promote water conservation in website and publications*
- *Provide workshops on water conservation practices*

Objective 3: Encourage practices that protect or enhance groundwater and surface water supplies and groundwater and surface water quality

- *Support and collaborate with the Colusa Groundwater Authority to protect, enhance the quantity and quality of groundwater resources in the Colusa Subbasin*
- *Support and collaborate with the Colusa Glenn Subwatershed Program to assist landowners with groundwater quality monitoring*
- *Support and collaborate with the NRCS and Colusa Groundwater Authority to develop, implement and potentially source financing and grants for On-Farm groundwater recharge projects.*

Objective 4: Promote Off-Stream Storage

Actions:

- *Encourage community discussions regarding off-stream storage*

Objective 5: Encourage practices that slow flows and detain water in the upper watershed

Actions:

- *Investigate opportunities to assist foothill landowners implement conservation practices*

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VEGETATION QUALITY **(INCLUDING FOREST AND FUEL MANAGEMENT)**

GOAL: Healthy Forest, Grazing, Farm Border, and Riparian Vegetation

Objective 1: Reduce Invasive Species

Actions:

- *Seek grant funding for projects to reduce invasive species*
- *Provide educational materials to help landowners identify and eradicate invasive weeds*

Objective 2: Focus wildlife habitat restoration on marginal agricultural lands

Actions:

- *Gauge landowner interest in ideal locations*
- *Participate with the Sacramento Conservation Area Forum to ensure projects are implemented on marginal Ag lands, Safe Harbor Agreements are considered, and neighboring Ag is protected.*

Objective 3: Promote the adoption and development of hedgerows and cover crops

Actions:

- *Partner with collaborative entities such as NRCS, UC Cooperative Extension, CAFF, ApisM, Pollinator Partnership, Xerces Society to assist in establishment and promote the adoption of hedgerows and cover crops for annual and permanent crops*
- *Provide field day and other demonstration events to assist in the maintenance of plantings and the increased grower adoption*
- *Promote plantings that support and enhance habitat for native pollinators and other beneficial insects*

Objective 4: Implement fuel reduction practices in the forest lands and rangeland

Actions:

- *Assist the Upper Little Stoney Creek In-holder's Alliance when appropriate and opportunities are available*
- *Seek available grant funding to reduce dangerous fuel loads*
- *Fuel breaks and prescribed burning*

Objective 5: Encourage conservation grazing practices

Actions:

- *Encourage off-stream water development, and fencing for improved livestock distribution*
- *Consider Drought Management plans and other contingency planning*

Objective 6: Encourage the utilization of native plants whenever possible

Actions:

- *Promote native vegetation in publications and social media*
- *Encourage planting of non-irrigated vegetation*
- *Promote water-wise landscaping*

Objective 7: Create and Maintain a Community Wildfire Protection Plan

Actions:

- *Maintain a community-based Community Wildfire Protection Plan Advisory Committee*

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- *Develop and/or update plan according to needs of community*
- *Use plan to prioritize project and apply for grant funding for implementation*
- *Create a Fire Safe Council*
- *Create a Prescribed Burn Association*

CLIMATE CHANGE

GOAL: Promote, educate, and implement climate smart natural resource management practices.

Objective 1: In all-natural resource concerns focus on reducing atmospheric carbon and other greenhouse gases (GHG) through management practices.

Objective 2: Put on, promote best management practice workshops, and provide technical assistance to farmers and ranchers seeking climate smart agriculture practices.

Actions:

- *Continue working with California Department of Food and Agriculture's Climate Smart Agriculture programs and grant technical assistance.*
- *Partner with UC Extension Advisors, Natural Resource Conservation Service, and other agencies to provide the best information on natural resource management to farmers, ranchers, landowners, and land-users.*
- *Promote workshops of surrounding Resource Conservation Districts and agencies*

Objective 3: Create Demonstration Sites and conduct outreach field days that highlight the benefits of Climate Smart practices.

Actions:

- *Work with partners, landowners, growers, and ranchers to develop relevant and successful projects that promote water and soil conservation.*

Objective 4: Develop Carbon Farm Conservation Plans for farmers and ranchers

Actions:

- *Develop Carbon Farm Conservation Plan program*
- *Train staff on Carbon Farm Planning*
- *Conduct outreach and education on carbon sequestration through on-farm conservation practices*

Objective 5: Highlight climate smart agriculture practices of Colusa County farmers and ranchers and advocate their wise use of natural resources and conservation practices that reduce GHG and sequester carbon in publications and at outreach events.

Actions:

- *Author articles for newsletter, other agencies' publications, and local papers*
- *Promote on social media*

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SOIL QUALITY

GOAL: Healthy Productive Soil that Sustains Agriculture

Objective 1: Increase residual plant matter in the soil

Actions:

- *Promote Conservation Tillage, no till and reduced tillage practices*
- *Encourage crop rotations when possible, including grass or legume crops*

Objective 2: Protect soil by reducing erosion

Actions:

- *Utilize Colusa Basin Watershed Limited Streambank Analysis to encourage projects in key areas of concern (Highly Erodible Lands)*
- *Promote cover crops*
- *Promote winter plantings*
- *Promote vegetated streambanks*

Objective 3: Assist farmers and ranchers with soil conservation technical assistance, planning, and implementation practices.

Actions:

- *Discuss healthy soil practices with producers through outreach/education events, demonstration sites, YouTube channel, in-office, and field visits*
- *Work with partners in developing healthy soil resources*
- *Provide Soil Health Assessments*
- *Assist producers in planning and project design*
- *Assist producers with developing project budget and potential implementation funds*
- *Pursue funding for healthy soil technical assistance through programs like CDFR's Healthy Soils Technical Assistance Program*

AIR QUALITY

GOAL: Meet California Clean Air Standards

Objective 1: Promote renewable energy

Actions:

- *Encourage solar, wind, and other forms of renewable energy*

Objective 2: Reduce CO2 and pollutants

Actions:

- *Implement practices and projects to reduce dust and/or pollutant emissions (cover crops, windbreaks, diesel engine replacement, road treatment, etc.).*
- *Promote practices that address Climate Change, such as Carbon Farming*

Objective 3: Work with Colusa County Air Pollution Control Board on air quality-related projects

Actions:

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- *Prescribed burning permits and/or adherence to air quality regulations and reporting for conservation and project practices*

SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE

GOAL: Keep Agriculture Sustainable in Colusa County

Objective 1: Assist landowners with regulations

Actions:

- *Keep abreast of current and pending regulations*
- *Identify areas to provide proactive or reactive assistance to landowners*

Objective 2: Promote the environmental benefits provided by agriculture

Actions:

- *Utilize Colusa County Grown to promote farmers as “Stewards of the Land”*
- *Utilize the CCRCD website and other social media platforms*
- *Promote Ag Tourism*

Objective 3: Promote Ag/Conservation Easements

Actions:

- *Gauge Landowner interest in Easements*
- *Gain knowledge in creation of easements and monitoring*

Objective 4: Protect prime agricultural lands

Actions:

- *Keep abreast of local government zoning and use regulations*
- *Lobby for renewal of Williamson Act contracts*
- *Assist farmers with issues relating to climate change*

Objective 5: Explore and promote use of agricultural by-products

Actions:

- *Collect and distribute innovative ways of dealing with agriculture by-products*

NATURAL RESOURCE EDUCATION

GOAL: Well Rounded Natural Resource Educational Programs and Outreach throughout the District

Objective 1: Provide Farmer/Landowner/Stakeholder Educational Outreach

Actions:

- *Facilitate timely and efficient workshops that promote conservation practices*
- *Expand and enhance the Colusa County Grown Program*
- *Participate in the NRCS Regional Workgroup Meetings*
- *Install exhibits at Colusa County Farm Show*
- *Attend meetings and make presentations*

Objective 2: Provide Youth Educational Outreach

Actions:

- *Participate in SLEWS, Pond Day, and other existing youth programs as funding allows*

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- *Participate in CARCD programs such as the annual Speak-Off Contest and Poster Contest*
- *Assist with the development of new educational venues and programs*

Objective 3: Provide Community Outreach

Actions:

- *Continue CCRCO Quarterly E-Newsletter*
- *Active on social media and website*

PUBLIC RECREATION

GOAL: Multi-beneficial Public Spaces

Objective 1: Partner with municipalities, agencies, and landowners on multi-beneficial habitat enhancement or restoration in public spaces

Actions:

- *Participate in meetings on public spaces and planning to promote demonstration gardens, habitat for native species, and enhancement of public areas with green spaces*
- *Provide technical assistance to public space planning*
- *Continue to seek funding to conduct public outreach and technical assistance to promote CA native habitat in public spaces*

Objective 2: Promote human health and planet health by having clean, green public spaces

Actions:

- *Plan community clean up days*
- *Engage with schools to promote school gardens, identifying native plants and animals*

Objective 3: Enhance public access and awareness of the rich riparian, wetland, rangeland, brushland, and forest habitat in Colusa County

Actions:

- *Seek project funding for signage to artistically display the diversity and benefits of the local habitat*
- *Seek project funding for habitat restoration with public health benefits in mind ie biking and hiking trail*

WILDLIFE

GOAL: Enhance and restore native habitat to benefit wildlife

Objective 1: Provide Outreach and Education on beneficial habitat and native wildlife species

Actions:

- *Partner with wildlife agencies and non-profits to promote their programs*
- *Include wildlife habitat on all conservation planning documents*
- *Seek appropriate environmental surveys and assessments before project implementation*

Objective 2: Provide Technical Assistance on enhancing, restoring, and conserving native plant and wildlife habitats.

Actions:

- *Partner with agencies and land managers to provide technical assistance and conservation planning for monarchs and pollinators*
- *Maintain TA grants (CDFA Healthy Soils, CARCD Monarch TA) that assist landowners and managers with planning and implementing habitat projects*

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Objective 3: Seek project planning and implementation funds for riparian restoration

Actions:

- *Connect with landowners adjacent to riparian corridors*
- *Seek planning grant funds for project planning and development*
- *Seek implementation funding for riparian restoration*

ADOPTION

AMENDING THE LONG-RANGE PLAN:

The CCRCD will review the Long-Range Plan at least annually and incorporate changes as needed.

ADOPTION OF THE LONG-RANGE PLAN:

ADOPTED BY THE COLUSA COUNTY RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT ON **THE 19TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER IN THE YEAR 2023.**

ORIGINAL SIGNED BY THE FOLLOWING DIRECTORS:

Walt Seaver _____

Elizabeth Nall _____

Nas Chaudhary _____

Tom Hickok _____

Allen Gobel _____

Ben King _____

Alex Struckmeyer _____

**Professional Service Contract to
Perform Support for the County of Colusa's
Fire Safe Council's County Coordinator Project**

This Professional Services contract ("Contract") is between the County of Colusa ("County"), a political subdivision of the State of California and the Colusa County Resource Conservation District ("Contractor"), a Special District political subdivision.

- 1. Services to be Performed:** Contractor agrees at its own expense to furnish all equipment, labor and materials necessary to provide County with consultant support to perform the specified tasks contained within the Work Plan of the County of Colusa's approved CALFIRE County Coordinator Grant Program, as more specifically detailed in Exhibit "A".
- 2. Term:** This Contract shall begin on May 23, 2023 and shall continue until all requested services are completed, or August 31, 2024.
- 3. Compensation:** County will pay Contractor total compensation not to exceed forty-five thousand dollars (\$45,000) as provided for in Exhibit "A". Compensation will be paid in accordance with paragraph 4, Method of Payment.
- 4. Method of Payment:** At the end of each month, Contractor shall provide County with an invoice for the services provided in the preceding month. Upon receipt of an invoice, County shall process payment to Contractor as provided for by County's established policies and procedures, and payment will be issued accordingly for undisputed invoices.
 - A. Invoices shall:**
 - 1) Be prepared on Contractor's letterhead.
 - 2) Bear Contractor's name as shown on the contract.
 - 3) Bear the contract number.
 - 4) Itemize the costs incurred.
 - 5) Include a summary of the services provided.
 - 6) Be signed by an authorized official, employee, or agent certifying that the claim represents actual expenses for the services performed under this Contract.
- 5. Professional Ability of Contractor and Standards of Performance:** Contractor represents that it is qualified and licensed to perform the services to be done as required in this Contract. County relies upon the representations of Contractor regarding professional training, licensing, and ability to perform the services as a material inducement to enter into this Contract.
 - A.** Services shall be provided by Contractor without the advice, control or supervision of County. Contractor shall have sole discretion and control of Contractor's services and the manner in which they are performed.

- B. Acceptance of work or payment of invoice by County does not operate to release Contractor from any responsibility to perform work to professional standards.
- C. Contractor shall provide properly skilled professional and technical personnel to perform all services under this Contract.

6 Contractor's Books and Records: Contractor shall maintain any and all ledgers, books of account, invoices, vouchers, canceled checks, and other records or documents evidencing or relating to charges for services, or expenditures and disbursements charged to County for a minimum period of five (5) years, or for any longer period required by law, following audit, or from the date of final payment to Contractor under this Contract, whichever is later.

- A. Contractor shall maintain all documents and records which demonstrate performance under this Contract for a minimum period of five (5) years, or for any longer period required by law, from the date of termination or completion of this Contract.
- B. Any records or documents required to be maintained pursuant to this Contract shall be made available for inspection or audit at any time during regular business hours, upon written request by County Counsel or other designated representative of County. Copies of such documents shall be provided to County for inspection at the office of the requesting county officer unless it is impractical to do so; in which case the records shall be made available at Contractor's address indicated for receipt of notices in this Contract.
- C. Where County has reason to believe that such records or documents may be lost or discarded due to dissolution, disbandment, or termination of Contractor's business, County may, on written request, require that custody of the records be given to County and that the records and documents be maintained by County at the Board of Supervisors offices. Access to such records and documents shall be granted to any party authorized by Contractor, Contractor's representatives, or Contractor's successor-in-interest.

7 Independent Contractor: Contractor is an independent contractor, not an employee of County. Nothing contained in this Contract, or any document executed in connection with this Contract, shall be construed to create an employer-employee, partnership or joint venture relationship between County and Contractor nor to allow County to exercise discretion or control over the manner in which Contractor performs the work or services that are the subject matter of this Contract; provided, however, the work or services to be provided by Contractor shall be provided in a manner consistent with reaching County's objectives in entering this Contract.

8 Indemnity and Liability: Each party shall indemnify, defend, and hold the other party and its directors, officers, employees, and agents harmless against any claims of any kind, arising or alleged to arise out of the willful misconduct, negligent acts, omissions, or violations of law by the party.

9. **Insurance:** Contractor, at its own cost, agrees to maintain, for the duration of this Contract, the following insurance policies with insurers possessing a Best's rating of no less than A:VII:

A. Workers' Compensation Coverage: Contractor shall maintain Workers' Compensation Insurance and Employer's Liability Insurance for its employees in accordance with the laws of the State of California. In addition, Contractor shall require each subcontractor to similarly maintain Workers' Compensation Insurance and Employer's Liability Insurance in accordance with the laws of the State of California for all of the subcontractors' employees. Any notice of cancellation or non-renewal of all Workers' Compensation policies must be received by County at least thirty (30) days prior to such change.

B. General Liability Coverage: Contractor shall maintain commercial general liability insurance in an amount of not less than one million dollars (\$1,000,000) per occurrence for bodily injury, personal injury, and property damage. If a commercial general liability insurance form or other form with a general aggregate limit is used, either the general aggregate limit shall apply separately to the work to be performed under this Contract or the general aggregate limit shall be at least twice the required occurrence limit.

C. Automobile Liability Coverage: Contractor shall maintain automobile liability insurance covering bodily injury and property damage for all activities of the contractor arising out of or in connection with the work to be performed under this Contract, including coverage for owned, hired, and non-owned vehicles, in an amount of not less than one million dollars (\$1,000,000) for each accident for bodily injury or property damage.

D. Professional Liability Insurance (Errors and Omissions): Contractor shall maintain Professional Liability Insurance for Errors and Omissions coverage in an amount of not less than two million dollars (\$2,000,000) in aggregate. The insurance coverage provided by Contractor shall contain language providing coverage for up to three (3) years following the completion of the contract in order to provide insurance coverage for the hold harmless provisions herein if the policy is claims made.

E. Policy Endorsements: All insurance, except workers' compensation, shall include an endorsement or an amendment to the policy of insurance:

- 1) Naming County, its elected officials, officers, employees, agents and volunteers as additional named insureds with respect to liability arising out of any and all work performed by or on behalf of the Contractor under this Contract;
- 2) Providing that Contractor's insurance shall be the primary insurance as respects County, its elected or appointed officers, officials, employees, agents and volunteers. Any insurance maintained by County, including any self-insured retention County may have, shall not be called upon to contribute to a loss covered by Contractor's insurance;

- 3) Providing the policy of insurance shall act for each insured and additional insureds as though a separate policy had been written for each, except with respect to the limits of liability of the insuring company;
- 4) Providing that the insurer waives all rights of subrogation against County, its elected or appointed officers, officials, employees, agents or volunteers;
- 5) Providing any failure to comply with the reporting provisions of the policy of insurance shall not affect coverage provided to County, its elected or appointed officers, officials, employees agents, or volunteers;
- 6) Providing broad-form contractual liability coverage insuring contractor's indemnity obligations under this contract; and
- 7) Providing that coverage under the policy shall not be suspended, voided, reduced or cancelled in coverage or in limits without thirty (30) days written notice certain to County.

F. Deductibles and Self-insured Retentions: Any deductibles or self-insured retentions must be declared to and approved by County before work begins. At County's option, Contractor shall demonstrate financial capability for payment of such deductibles or self-insured retentions.

G. Proof of Coverage: At the time of execution of this contract, Contractor shall furnish County with copies of its insurance policies and endorsements affecting coverage required by this Contract.

10. **Performance Standards:** Contractor shall use the standard of care in its profession and comply with all applicable federal, state and local laws, codes, ordinances and regulations.
11. **Licenses:** Contractor represents and warrants to County that it has all licenses, permits, qualifications, insurance, and approvals of whatsoever nature which are legally required of Contractor to practice its trade and/or profession. Contractor represents and warrants to County that Contractor shall, at its sole cost and expense, keep in effect or obtain at all times during the term of this Contract, any licenses, permits, insurance, and approvals which are legally required of Contractor to practice its trade and/or profession.
12. **Controlling Law Venue:** This Contract is made in the County of Colusa, State of California. The parties specifically agree to submit to the jurisdiction of the Superior Court of California for the County of Colusa.
13. **Written Notification:** Any notice, demand, request, consent, approval, or communication that either party desires or is required to give to the other party shall be in writing and either served personally or sent prepaid, first class mail. Any such notice, demand, etc., shall be addressed to the other party at the address set forth below. Either party may change its address by notifying the other party of the change of address. Notice shall be deemed communicated within 48 hours from the time of mailing if mailed as provided in this section.

If to County:

Greg Plucker
Community Development Director
Colusa County
1213 Market Street
Colusa, CA 95932

If to Contractor:

Elizabeth Harper
Executive Director
Colusa County Resource Conservation District
100 Sunrise Blvd; Suite B
Colusa, CA 95932

- 14. Entire Contract:** This Contract constitutes the complete and exclusive statement of contract between County and Contractor. All prior written and oral communications, including correspondence, drafts, memoranda, and representations, are superseded in total by this Contract.
- 15. Amendments:** This Contract may be modified or amended only by a written document executed by both Contractor and County and approved as to form by the County Counsel.
- 16. Waiver:** No failure on the part of either party to exercise any right or remedy provided for by this Contract shall operate as a waiver of any other right or remedy that party may have.
- 17. Execution:** This Contract may be executed in several counterparts, each of which shall constitute one and the same instrument and shall become binding upon the parties.
- 18. Assignment & Subcontracting:** The parties recognize that a substantial inducement to County for entering into this Contract is the professional reputation, experience, and competence of Contractor. Assignments of any or all rights, duties or obligations of Contractor under this Contract will be permitted only with the express consent of County. Contractor shall not subcontract any portion of the work to be performed under this Contract without the written authorization of County. If County consents to such subcontract, Contractor shall be fully responsible to County for all acts or omissions of the subcontractor. Nothing in this Contract shall create any contractual relationship between County and subcontractor nor shall it create any obligation on the part of County to pay any monies due to any such subcontractor unless otherwise required by law.

19. Termination: This Contract may be terminated for the following reasons:

A. Immediately for cause if either party violates any of the terms or provisions of this Contract; or

B. By County without cause upon fifteen (15) days written notice of termination.

20. Partial Invalidity. If any provision of this Contract is held to be invalid, void, or unenforceable, the remainder of the provision and/or provisions shall remain in full force and effect and shall not be affected or invalidated.

21. Attachments: All attachments referred to are incorporated and made part of the Contract. Attachments include:

A. Exhibit "A" Scope of Work and Cost Proposal

COUNTY OF COLUSA

_____ Date: _____
Kent S. Boes, Chair
Colusa County Board of Supervisors

APPROVED AS TO FORM

Richard Stout, County Counsel

CONTRACTOR

Walter C. Seaver Date: 6-27-23
~~Elizabeth Harper, Executive Director~~
Colusa County Resource Conservation District

Printed Name and Title
WALT SEAVER, PRESIDENT

ATTEST: Wendy Tyler, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By _____

EXHIBIT "A"
SCOPE OF WORK AND COST PROPOSAL
CFSC County Coordinator Statewide Grant Program

OVERVIEW:

This Scope of Work represents a comprehensive work plan necessary to complete the County of Colusa's Fire Safe Council County Coordinator project. The Scope defines the roll of the Colusa County Coordinator and the roll of the Colusa County Resource Conservation District (Contractor #1) and Ted Kingsley (Contractor #2). While the County is contracting separately with both the Contractor #1 and Contractor #2, it is the responsibility of all parties to work cooperatively together to complete this project.

TASK #1: HIRE OUTREACH CONTRACTOR/TRAINING/DESIGN OUTREACH METHODS

County Coordinator Responsibility:

The County will select and hire an outreach contractor(s) to assist the County Coordinator. The County will train as necessary the outreach contractor(s) on project use of technology, roles, responsibilities, expectations, and project tracking.

Contractor #1 and Contractor #2 Responsibility:

Will work together to develop a contact list of known wildfire mitigation groups, agencies, and other partners. Community outreach and collaboration methods will be designed. A basic project design and planned timeline will be developed.

These draft documents will be submitted to the County Coordinator for review and comment prior to finalization. After finalization, this information will be presented to the County Board of Supervisors for information and comment in a public meeting.

Timeline: April - May 2023

Responsible Party: Community Development Director, County Coordinator, Contractor #1, and Contractor #2.

Expected Outcome/Result: Hire outside contractor(s). Establish project tracking process, and roles/responsibilities of Coordinator and contractor(s). Establish project file management system and overall project work plan. Identify existing wildfire mitigation groups, agencies, and other partners, and create contact list. Update County Board of Supervisors of project status and plans.

TASK #2: ESTABLISH MEETINGS SCHEDULE

County Coordinator Responsibility:

The County will design, create, prepare, and distribute meeting advertisements through direct mailings, local community websites, local newspapers and well known community locations.

Contractor #1 and Contractor #2 Responsibility:

Will work together to create a schedule of outreach meetings to include collaboration meetings and community-level project kick-off meetings. Will lead these meetings which will include wildland fire mitigation groups, fire districts, other agencies, and landowners.

The draft schedule of outreach meetings will be submitted to the County Coordinator for review, comments, and revisions prior to being finalized.

Timeline: May – early June 2023

Responsible Party: County Coordinator, Contractor #1, and Contractor #2.

Expected Outcome/Result: Present project concept to identified wildland fire mitigation groups, agencies, and communities. Establish collaborating meeting schedule, receive input, and amend plans as necessary.

TASK #3: COLLABORATION AND COMMUNITY KICK-OFF MEETINGS

County Coordinator, Contractor #1 and Contractor #2 Responsibility:

Contractor #1 and Contractor #2, with help from County Coordinator as necessary, will organize, host, and lead initial collaboration meetings with wildland fire mitigation groups, agencies including local volunteer fire departments, local CalFire representatives, BLM, USFS, and other stakeholders, and hold community kick-off meetings throughout the County. The results of initial data gathered from meetings will be presented and additional input from meeting attendees will be gathered.

Timeline: June – August 2023

Responsible Party: County Coordinator, Contractor #1, and Contractor #2.

Expected Outcome/Result: Formal project presentation to wildland fire mitigation groups, agencies, and stakeholders. Gather additional input regarding the meetings and needs from meeting attendees. Finalize the list of County's wildland fire needs, and distributed updated information to all interested stakeholders.

TASK #4: ASSEMBLE LIBRARY OF PAST WILDLAND FIRE EFFORTS

County Coordinator and Contractor #1 Responsibility:

Identify from the meetings a list of all past wildland fire efforts, plans, and grants. These documents will be assembled into a single repository library.

Contractor #2 Responsibility:

Assist County Coordinator and Contractor #1 efforts, as necessary.

Timeline: *June 2023-September 2023*

Responsible Party: County Coordinator and Contractor #1.

Expected Outcome/Result: Establishment of a single, County maintained library of past wildland fire mitigation efforts. This library will be available through the County's website.

TASK #5: POTENTIAL ESTABLISHMENT OF FIRE SAFE COUNCIL

County Coordinator and Contractor #2 Responsibility:

Consider and explore the potential of establishing a Fire Safe Council and what the form would be; if so desired, establish the Fire Safe Council.

Contractor #1 Responsibility:

Assist County Coordinator and Contractor #2 efforts as necessary.

Timeline: *April 2023-December 2023*

Responsible Party: County Coordinator, Contractor #2, Contractor #1, Community Development Director, County Administrative Officer, and existing wildland fire mitigation groups.

Expected Outcome/Result: Creation of Fire Safe Council if desired.

TASK #6: DEVELOP WILDLAND FIRE MITIGATION MEASURES

County Coordinator and Contractor #1 responsibility:

Develop wildland fire mitigation measures through: 1) Public Education and Outreach Workshops; 2) Development of fuel reduction and wildland fire mitigation projects; 3) Fire Safe Council capacity building (if implemented); 4) Project Grant and Funding Identification; and 5) Promote the establishment of Firewise Communities.

Contractor #2 Responsibility:

Assist County Coordinator and Contractor #1 efforts as necessary.

Timeline: *December 2023-May 2024*

Responsible Party: County Coordinator, Contractor #1, Contractor #2, Community Development Director, County Administrative Officer, existing wildland fire mitigation groups (and possible Fire Safe Council).

Expected Outcome/Result: 1) Prepare community-level fuel reduction projects and ensure that environmental compliance needs are identified; 2) Identify applicable grant funding sources and application timelines; 3) Increased wildfire resiliency and community hardening, evacuation, and pre-fire planning; and 4) Pursue Firewise Community designation for interested communities.

TASK #7: GRANT MONITORING AND REPORTING

County Coordinator and Contractor #1 Responsibility:

Conduct grant monitoring and reporting, including: 1) County Coordinator monthly check-in meetings with CFSC and staff, quarterly meetings with other coordinators and county-wide wildland fire mitigation groups; 2) Summarization of local groups, grants, and projects within the county at the onset and conclusion of the grant term; 3) Tracking and monitoring of collaborative efforts, tasks, meetings, workshops; 4) Plans developed during the grant term; and 5) Preparation of comprehensive final report summarizing the County Wildland Fire Outreach and Coordination Plan, key issues, success outcomes and gaps, and recommendations.

Timeline: January 2023-June 2024

Responsible Party: County Coordinator, Contractor #1, and Community Development Director.

Expected Outcome/Result: 1) Meet grant deliverables and expectations; 2) Provide to Colusa County and Colusa County Fire Safe Council (if formed) a report of "lessons learned"; and 3) Improved network of county-wide collaborators, partners, and other groups to continue to implement, update, and improve the Colusa County wildland fire resiliency programs.

EXHIBIT "A"
COMPENSATION
CFSC County Coordinator Statewide Grant Program

- I. Contractor #1 - Colusa County Resource Conservation District
Hourly Rate = \$75.00
Average Hours Per Week = 10 at a cost of \$750
Total Not To Exceed Cost = \$45,000

Project Report : July 18th, 2023- August 15th, 2023

<i>Project</i>	<i>Description of Project</i>	<i>Timelines</i>	<i>Funding Provided</i>	<i>Current Status</i>
UPDATED NRCS Cooperative Agreement 2021	Assist Colusa Field Office with Farm Bill programs & landowner outreach	09/30/2021-07/31/2025	\$180,000	Tucker started July 3rd, 2023 and waiting on computer access from NRCS. He has been able to go on multiple field visits and attend online trainings to learn different aspects of the NRCS planning process.
Colusa Glenn Sub watershed Program-ILRP-	Provide Glenn Co RCD with assistance	01/01/2022-12/31/2024	\$90,000	Nothing to report.
Cal Fire Forest Health Grant	Reforestation for Private In-holders MNF	4/22/2020-3/31/2024	\$1,882,529	Continued to work on invoice reporting to CalFire on grant financial and activity reports that have been deferred due to Amendment Approval wait. Needed to consolidate previous 3 invoices to make reimbursement procedure quicker. Eduardo worked with Liz and Rochelle (CalFire) to create a more streamlined reporting process and work out previous kinks in reporting procedure. Met with Gary and Steve to come up with a game plan on how we're going to conduct and complete tree surveys for analyzing last year's sapling survivability rates. Had a field day with Gary, Steve, and Tucker to conduct initial trial surveys and am currently working on map layouts and scheduling a meeting with Gary and Steve to discuss findings and future survey plans. Abbey put out a newsletter for the project and created a photo story for it as well.
NEW Cal Fire Forest Health Grant	Pest Control and Biomass Utilization for Private In-holders MNF	Fall 2021-3/31/2025	\$1,619,686	Continue to work on invoice reporting and creating a more streamlined reporting process with CalFire's ever changing platform. Abbey put out a newsletter for the project and created a photo story for it as well.
NEW Department of Conservation (DOC)	Regional Fire and Fuel Capacity Program	11/15/2021-3/31/2028	\$1,187,120	Completed invoice reporting and monthly highlights for July. Purchased Esri and Avenza subscriptions so we can start mapping. Created map layouts as paper copies and virtual copies that were used in the field to conduct initial tree surveys. Completed First Aid/CPR training with Tucker. Continue to work with staff on purchasing field equipment and getting PPE. Continue to attend FireScope Mendocino monthly meetings and have attended NRCS field visits to learn their project protocols and procedures. Eduardo and Tucker have signed up for various capacity trainings including Regenerative Agriculture TAP courses at CSU Chico, Conservation Planning at Tom Kat Ranch, and a few GIS courses from Esri.
NEW After the Fire	NRCS Regional Conservation Partnership Program	9/21/2022-3/31/2026	\$117,086	Complete invoices and reporting for Quarter 2. Abbey put out a newsletter for the program.
NEW CA Dept of Food and Ag (CDFA)	Healthy Soils TA	9/12/2021-3/31/2024	\$58,799	Tucker has been working with potential applicants to get their pre-application packets together so we can get their projects submitted as soon as we have funding.
NEW CA Dept of Food and Ag (CDFA)	SWEEP TA	9/12/2021-3/31/2024	\$58,086	Tucker has been working with potential applicants to get their pre-application packets together so we can get their projects submitted as soon as we have funding.
NEWCA Dept of Food and Ag (CDFA)	Pollinator Habitat Program	05/01/2023-04/30/2026	\$299,248	Tucker has reached out to land owners to confirm interest in the project funding. The RCD crew have gone on a site visit along Salt Creek in Arbuckle to begin the planning process for Karl Drexel. Abbey put out a newsletter for the program.
County of Colusa	County Coordinator- Fire Mitigation	4/18/2023-06/30/2024	\$81,000	Met w/ local fire chiefs to gauge FSC interest. Met with Cechil Dehe representative to discuss FSC and potential collaboration projects.
CARCD/WCB	Habitat Restoration	Spring 2023-2025	\$250,000	Tucker has set a meeting with Vann Brothers to review project, and create a plan moving forward. Liz and Tucker have met with Davis Ranch to go over next steps for the project with its partners. Tucker and Abbey are writing contracts for the WCB program.