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REGULAR BOARD MEETING AGENDA

Wednesday, May 14, 2025, 11:30AM
RCD Office, 11769 Waterhill Road, Lakeside, CA 92040
Link for remote participants: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82512128155
meeting ID: 825 1212 8155

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1. CALL TO ORDER, INTRODUCTION

2. ADDITIONS/CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (GOV. CODE 54954.2 (B))

3. PUBLIC COMMENT
Public may comment on agenda items when they are discussed. Speakers are asked to limit comments to three minutes. (Gov. Code 54954.3(a)).

4. **CONSENT CALENDAR**
- **4-1** Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes of April 9, 2025
- **4-2** Note and file monthly Treasurer's Reports for March 2025
- **4-3** Approve monthly expenses for April 2025

5. STAFF PRESENTATION
Heather Cady will provide a brief summary of the Home Assessment Program outcomes in Ramona.

6. BOARD ACTION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS
- **6-1** Discuss/Approve: Review existing Legislative Advocacy Policy

7. STAFF AND OTHER REPORTS
- **7-1** Executive Director's Staff Report (attached)
- **7-2** Grant Status Spreadsheets (attached)

8. OTHER AGENCY, DIRECTOR, ASSOC DIRECTOR, COMMITTEE, AND ASSOCIATION REPORTS
- **8-1** CARCD Report
- **8-2** Director/Assoc. Director and Other Activity or Committee Reports
- **8-3** NRCS Report

9. CLOSED SESSION
- **9-1** PUBLIC EMPLOYEE EVALUATION – Government Code Section 54957

Title: Executive Director Evaluation

10. AGENDA SETTING

11. ADJOURNMENT

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UPCOMING EVENTS		
RCD Regular Board meeting	June 11, 2025	TBD
FSC Executive & General Board Meetings	July 10, 2025	5570 Overland Ave, San Diego
Wild Willow Farm Volunteering	2nd Saturday of the month, 9:30 – 12:00	Wild Willow Farm

RCD Board of Directors – April 2025

Don Butz, President

Marilyn Huntamer, Vice President
Maggie Sleeper, Director
Diane Moss, Director
Neil Meyer, Director
Odette Gonzalez, Treasurer
Michael McGrath, Director

Associate Directors

Jo MacKenzie

RCD STAFF – April 2025	
Ann Baldridge, Executive Director	Chris Kelley, Financial Director
Heather Cady, Director of Forestry & Fire Prevention	Joel Kramer, Director of Agricultural Programs
Morgan Dioli, Forestry & Fire Prevention Program Manager	Stan Hill, Forestry & Fire Prevention Projects Manager
Rachel Petitt, SoCal Soil & Water Hub Coordinator (shared position)	Codi Hale, Community Programs Manager
Andy Williamson, Irrigation Technician	Elizabeth Garcia, Ag Programs Coordinator
Daniela Mejia, Community Garden Coordinator	Elizabeth Valdez, Technical Assistant
Areli Perez, Education Manager	Paul Maschka, Regenerative Farming Educator
Ellie Honan, Farm Conservation Advisor	Jo Norris, Farmer
Joanne Sauerman, Office Coordinator	John Hendra, Staff Accountant
Alaina Makowski, Forestry Technical Advisor	Kirthana Pisipati, GrizzlyCorps Fellow
Brian Gallagher, GrizzlyCorps Fellow	

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meeting ID: 825 1212 8155

DIRECTORS PRESENT: Don Butz, Neil Meyer, Marilyn Huntamer, Diane Moss
DIRECTORS ABSENT: Mike McGrath, Odette Gonzalez, Maggie Sleeper
VACANCIES: None
ASSOC. DIRECTORS PRESENT: None
ASSOC. DIRECTORS ABSENT: Jo MacKenzie
OTHER PRESENT: Ann Baldridge, Steve Boehmer (Legal Counsel), Britta Welsch (NRCS) Lani Lutar, Heather Cady, Chris Kelley, Joanne Sauerman, Elizabeth Garcia, Codi Hale, Pete Verde (online: Joel Kramer and Moose)

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1. CALL TO ORDER, INTRODUCTION- CALL TO ORDER 11:35PM

2. ADDITIONS/CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (GOV. CODE 54954.2 (B))
No Additions or changes motioned to accept as presented
Motion (Meyer/Moss) Accepted unanimously, Butz, Huntamer, Meyer, Moss, Absent: McGrath, Sleeper, Gonzalez

3. PUBLIC COMMENT
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One person, Pete Verde, spoke briefly asking for info about Wild Willow Farm. Executive Director Ann Baldridge will follow up with him on 4-14-25 at WWF to assist with questions.

4. **CONSENT CALENDAR**
4-1 Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes of March 12, 2025
4-2 Note and file monthly Treasurer's Reports for February 2025
4-3 Approve monthly expenses for March 2025
Motion (Huntamer/Meyer) approved consent calendar unanimously: Butz, Huntamer, Meyer, Moss, Absent: McGrath, Sleeper, Gonzalez

5. STAFF PRESENTATION
Joel Kramer and Elizabeth Cuadras Garcia from the RCD's Agriculture Department presented on the carbon farm planning process and examples of how we help farmers implement their plans.

**** STAFF WAS ASKED TO STEP OUT DURING CLOSED SESSION**

6. CLOSED SESSION ** Resumed 12:46PM
6-1 PUBLIC EMPLOYEE EVALUATION **– Government Code Section 54957**
Title: Executive Director Evaluation – Direction given

6-2 REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATIONS – Government Code Section 54956.8
Negotiator for RCD: Ann Baldridge. Real property: 2100 Hollister Ave, San Diego CA 92154. Negotiator for County of San Diego: Johanna Contreras
Direction given to ED to proceed with Tijuana Rive Valley Community Garden five year lease renewal with site improvements.

The above matters described on the agenda may be held in closed session in a conference with counsel under the provisions of the Government Code Section stated above. If closed sessions are held, a report of actions subject to disclosure will be made by the District's Counsel upon return to open session respectively.

7. BOARD ACTION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS
7-1 DISCUSS/APPROVE: Tijuana River Valley Community Garden Lease Discussed in 6.2
7-2 Discuss/Approve: Selection of RCD Budget Subcommittee
Motion (Moss/Meyer) approved for Subcommittees volunteers Sleeper, Huntamer, Butz – unanimously Butz, Meyer, Moss, Huntamer Absent: McGrath, Sleeper, Gonzalez

****** Director Huntamer had to leave for a commitment. Meeting no longer had a quorum.**

8. STAFF AND OTHER REPORTS
8-1 Executive Directors Report
8-2 Grant Status and Spreadsheets.

9. OTHER AGENCY, DIRECTOR, ASSOC DIRECTOR, COMMITTEE, AND ASSOCIATION REPORTS
9-1 CARCD Report- **Report given by Britta Welsch**
9-2 Director/Assoc Director or other Activity or Committee Report
Director Meyer asked for clarity on Prop 4 and Director Moss reported that she spoke with the Executive Director to collaborate on a grant. The Executive Director reported the Strategic Planning Committee would meet immediately following the Board Meeting.

10. AGENDA SETTING
Legislative policy item

10. ADJOURNMENT
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Meeting Concluded at 1:05 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Joanne Sauerman, Board Clerk

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	Jul '24 - Mar '25	Budget	$ Over Budget	% of Budget
Ordinary Income/Expense				
Income				
40000 · Grant Income Restricted				
40041 · CDFA SWEEP TA 23-0684-000	8,761.41	36,383.00	-27,621.59	24.08%
40042 · CDFA CUSP Economic Relief	33,462.82	96,410.00	-62,947.18	34.71%
40043 · CDFA WETA	67,857.02	198,600.00	-130,742.98	34.17%
40044 · CDFA Planning Grant CAPGP-23-07	13,405.81	183,605.81	-170,200.00	7.3%
40045 · CDFA Climate Smart Ag TA	997.57	1,149.00	-151.43	86.82%
40046 · CDFA Farm to School Incubator	54,197.52	84,966.00	-30,768.48	63.79%
40047 · USFS 2024 Girl Scouts Camp Winaka	0.00	96,000.00	-96,000.00	0.0%
40048 · USFS 2024 Palomar DSAP Hazard	308.62	96,000.00	-95,691.38	0.32%
40050 · CARCD WCB	70,371.12	98,366.00	-27,994.88	71.54%
40052 · County of San Diego Regional Cohesive	1,133.25	176,977.73	-175,844.48	0.64%
40053 · DOC RFFC Round IIA	728,946.53	2,509,260.00	-1,780,313.47	29.05%
40054 · CARCD NRCS Equity Block	1,521.25	44,990.00	-43,468.75	3.38%
40055 · CARCD NRCS Equity	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
40056 · CDFA PHP	23,095.05	147,417.00	-124,321.95	15.67%
40057 · Audubon Ranching	3,354.20	6,459.00	-3,104.80	51.93%
40058 · CARCD Carbon Hub Coordinator	83,080.42	120,776.00	-37,695.58	68.79%
40059 · DOC Climate Smart Land Management	111,522.13	533,015.00	-421,492.87	20.92%
40060 · NRCS IERCD	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
40061 · CARCD NRCS Forestry TA	49,088.62	120,612.00	-71,523.38	40.7%
40064 · NRCS Scaling Up Climate Resilience	22,158.28	94,203.00	-72,044.72	23.52%
40066 · SGC Community Resilient Planning	0.00	33,333.00	-33,333.00	0.0%
40075 · Prebys Foundation	14,044.86	50,000.00	-35,955.14	28.09%
40085 · Parks NACC	241,723.34	33,653.00	208,070.34	718.28%
40095 · ZFP Zero Food Print Healthy Soils Block	18,726.79	14,432.00	4,294.79	129.76%
40116 · WCB Wildlife Conservation Board Otay Planning	149,981.48	138,557.00	11,424.48	108.25%
40120 · Port	15,999.99	16,000.00	-0.01	100.0%
40122 · CalFire Forest Health Grant	562,042.90	519,623.00	42,419.90	108.16%
40123 · CalFire CARCD Increasing Pace & Scale	46,311.47	174,087.00	-127,775.53	26.6%
40124 · CalFire Forest Health Grant Round II	18,381.89	2,000,000.00	-1,981,618.11	0.92%
40130 · NACD Urban Ag TA	14,163.25	40,400.00	-26,236.75	35.06%
40140 · NRP Neighborhood Reinvestment Program	0.00	30,000.00	-30,000.00	0.0%
40146 · SDG&E Fuels MOU	1,000,912.94	1,983,779.00	-982,866.06	50.46%
40192 · CSA Community Supported Ag	8,064.94	11,065.00	-3,000.06	72.89%
40193 · UP Listos Subaward	17,497.01	75,000.00	-57,502.99	23.33%
40198 · SD Foundation Community Food Grant	54,625.87	44,414.00	10,211.87	122.99%
42005 · BLM Hermes Butterfly/Zoo (account reserved)	3,725.73	213,247.00	-209,521.27	1.75%
42007 · USFWS Pollinators on Working Lands	2,875.35	3,150.00	-274.65	91.28%
42020 · CAFSC DSAP	178,041.62	332,809.00	-154,767.38	53.5%
42021 · Wildfire Resilience Education	20,610.02	100,000.00	-79,389.98	20.61%
42022 · CalFire County Coordinator	55,327.79	56,861.00	-1,533.21	97.3%
Total 40000 · Grant Income Restricted	3,696,318.86	10,515,599.54	-6,819,280.68	35.15%
45000 · Income Unrestricted WWF & Gardens				
45001 · Wild Willow Classes & Workshops	16,852.50	50,000.00	-33,147.50	33.71%
45002 · Wild Willow Field Trips & Tours	15,345.00	25,000.00	-9,655.00	61.38%
45004 · Wild Willow Wholesale Food Sales	7,802.05	20,000.00	-12,197.95	39.01%
45005 · Wild Willow Farm Stand Sales	1,980.17	5,000.00	-3,019.83	39.6%
45006 · Wild Willow Venue Rental	350.00	4,500.00	-4,150.00	7.78%
45007 · Wild Willow Donations	600.00	10,000.00	-9,400.00	6.0%
45190 · TRV Community Garden	54,675.65	82,000.00	-27,324.35	66.68%
45191 · Sweetwater Community Garden	40,805.27	69,935.00	-29,129.73	58.35%
	138,410.64	266,435.00	-128,024.36	51.95%
45000 · Income - Unrestricted				
45010 · Rent - San Diego River Conserva	27,484.00	35,150.00	-7,666.00	78.19%
45020 · Donations, Awards & Scholarship	351.82	12,000.00	-11,648.18	2.93%
45030 · Rebates and Refunds	4,120.50	500.00	3,620.50	824.1%
45040 · CLASS & LAIF Interest Income	64,964.45	89,000.00	-24,035.55	72.99%
45080 · US Bank Interest	234.99	100.00	134.99	234.99%
45090 · Tax Assessments	343,595.00	457,000.00	-113,405.00	75.19%
45095 · Redevelopment Revenue City Tax	13,828.66	13,000.00	828.66	106.37%
45100 · Miscellaneous Income	111.37	25,000.00	-24,888.63	0.45%
45200 · Fee for Service	55,561.76	5,000.00	50,561.76	1,111.24%
45505 · Payroll & Benefits Offset	354,721.58	255,000.00	99,721.58	139.11%
45000 · Income - Unrestricted - Other	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
Total 45000 · Income - Unrestricted	864,974.13	891,750.00	-26,775.87	97.0%
Total Income	4,699,703.63	11,673,784.54	-6,974,080.91	40.26%
Expense				
50000 · Grant Expenses Restricted				

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50041 · CDFA SWEEP TA 23-0684-000	7,307.91	30,312.00	-23,004.09	24.11%
50042 · CDFA CUSP Economic Relieft	25,919.21	81,746.00	-55,826.79	31.71%
50043 · CDFA WETA	56,547.53	165,414.00	-108,866.47	34.19%
50044 · CDFA Planning Grant CAPGP-23-07	97,670.58	161,132.60	-63,462.02	60.62%
50045 · CDFA Climate Smart Ag TA	498.75	867.00	-368.25	57.53%
50046 · CDFA Farm to School Incubator	45,164.55	70,805.00	-25,640.45	63.79%
50047 · USFS 2024 Girl Scouts Camp Winaka	0.00	86,000.00	-86,000.00	0.0%
50048 · USFS 2024 Palomar DSAP Hazard	275.55	86,000.00	-85,724.45	0.32%
50050 · CARCD WCB	66,168.39	89,130.00	-22,961.61	74.24%
50052 · County of SD Regional Cohesive	1,011.84	158,015.84	-157,004.00	0.64%
50053 · DOC RFFC Round IIA	644,974.72	2,220,657.00	-1,575,682.28	29.04%
50054 · CARCD NRCS Equity Block	1,358.28	37,492.00	-36,133.72	3.62%
50055 · CARCD NRCS Equity	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
50056 · CDFA PHP	20,194.09	142,688.00	-122,493.91	14.15%
50057 · Audubon Ranching	2,994.82	5,767.00	-2,772.18	51.93%
50058 · Carbon Hub Coordinator	75,761.72	109,719.00	-33,957.28	69.05%
50059 · DOC Climate Smart Land Management	99,573.33	486,861.00	-387,287.67	20.45%
50060 · NRCS IERCD	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
50061 · CARCD NRCS Forester TA	44,626.02	109,647.00	-65,020.98	40.7%
50064 · NRCS Scaling Up Climate Resilience	20,203.77	85,639.00	-65,435.23	23.59%
50066 · SGC Community Resilient Planning	0.00	29,762.00	-29,762.00	0.0%
50075 · Prebys Foundation	12,307.81	43,816.00	-31,508.19	28.09%
50085 · Parks NACC	215,824.41	32,887.00	182,937.41	656.26%
50095 · ZFP Zero Food Print Healthy Soils Block	16,720.25	12,886.00	3,834.25	129.76%
50116 · WCB Wildlife Conservation Board	133,912.00	111,640.00	22,272.00	119.95%
50120 · Port	14,545.46	14,546.00	-0.54	100.0%
50122 · CalFire Forest Health	501,824.01	487,349.00	14,475.01	102.97%
50123 · CalFire CARCD Increasing Pace & Scale	38,592.89	135,049.00	-96,456.11	28.58%
50124 · CalFire Forest Health Round II	16,710.79	1,785,714.00	-1,769,003.21	0.94%
50130 · NACD Urban Agriculture Conservation	12,651.98	36,089.00	-23,437.02	35.06%
50140 · NRP Neighborhood Reinvestment Program	0.00	26,786.00	-26,786.00	0.0%
50146 · SDG&E Fuels MOU	841,198.43	1,653,149.00	-811,950.57	50.89%
50192 · CSA Community Supported Ag	6,753.33	9,221.00	-2,467.67	73.24%
50193 · UP Listos Subcontract	15,622.33	66,960.00	-51,337.67	23.33%
50198 · SD Foundation Community Food Grant	47,865.49	38,622.00	9,243.49	123.93%
52005 · BLM Hermes Butterfly/Zoo (account reserved)	3,326.55	202,506.00	-199,179.45	1.64%
52007 · USFWS Pollinators on Working Lands	2,396.13	2,759.00	-362.87	86.85%
52020 · CAFSC DSAP	160,377.94	297,152.00	-136,774.06	53.97%
52021 · Wildfire Resilience Education	18,401.80	95,134.00	-76,732.20	19.34%
52022 · CalFire County Coordinator	50,502.91	50,769.00	-266.09	99.48%
Total 50000 · Grant Expenses Restricted				
53000 · Expenses Unrestricted	3,319,785.57	9,260,688.44	-5,940,902.87	35.85%
53005 · Advertising	675.69	1,500.00	-824.31	45.05%
53035 · Processing Fees	2,352.45	5,000.00	-2,647.55	47.05%
53040 · Bank Fees	5,119.52	15,000.00	-9,880.48	34.13%
53050 · Depreciation	20,730.42	27,640.00	-6,909.58	75.0%
53060 · Donations, Awards & Scholarship	0.00	15,000.00	-15,000.00	0.0%
53070 · Dues & Memberships	10,558.00	10,000.00	558.00	105.58%
53075 · Subscriptions	4,190.91	2,500.00	1,690.91	167.64%
53080 · Equipment Leases	2,485.52	3,500.00	-1,014.48	71.02%
53100 · Automobile				
53110 · Fuel	-5,367.38	2,000.00	-7,367.38	-268.37%
53120 · Repairs & Maintenance	10,529.03	5,000.00	5,529.03	210.58%
Total 53100 · Automobile	5,161.65	7,000.00	-1,838.35	73.74%
53200 · Unrestricted Expenses WWF & Gardens				
53201 · Wild Willow Farm Rent	14,799.60	20,000.00	-5,200.40	74.0%
53202 · Wild Willow Farm Payroll	123,642.89	180,000.00	-56,357.11	68.69%
53203 · Wild Willow Farm Office Supplies	270.59	600.00	-329.41	45.1%
53204 · Wild Willow Farm Utilities	16,291.19	15,000.00	1,291.19	108.61%
53205 · Wild Willow Farm Telephone	1,845.02	2,300.00	-454.98	80.22%
53206 · Wild Willow Farm Trash	2,092.16	3,000.00	-907.84	69.74%
53207 · Wild Willow Farm Propane & Fuel	433.46	1,800.00	-1,366.54	24.08%
53208 · Wild Willow Farm Processing Fees	153.44	2,000.00	-1,846.56	7.67%
53209 · Wild Willow Farm Seeds, Soil & Compost	1,831.38	3,000.00	-1,168.62	61.05%
53210 · Wild Willow Farm Harvest Supplies	0.00	400.00	-400.00	0.0%
53211 · Wild Willow Farm Irrigation & Fencing	1,194.95	250.00	944.95	477.98%
53212 · Wild Willow Farm Teaching & Class Supplies	2,889.00	7,500.00	-4,611.00	38.52%
53213 · Wild Willow Farm Animal Feed & Care	2,446.87	3,500.00	-1,053.13	69.91%
53214 · Wild Willow Farm Tools & Equipment	2,005.66	6,000.00	-3,994.34	33.43%
53215 · Wild Willow Farm Other Misc Expense	3,234.97	1,250.00	1,984.97	258.8%
53216 · Wild Willow Farm Pest Control	0.00	150.00	-150.00	0.0%
53290 · TRV Garden	69,590.34	73,213.00	-3,622.66	95.05%

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53291 · Sweetwater Garden	46,305.08	62,442.00	-16,136.92	74.16%
	289,026.60	382,405.00	-93,378.40	75.58%
53900 · Insurance				
53910 · Auto & General Liability	49,287.58	72,377.00	-23,089.42	68.1%
53920 · In Leiu of Health Insurance	164,690.38	231,916.00	-67,225.62	71.01%
53930 · Workers Compensation	17,101.17	19,857.00	-2,755.83	86.12%
Total 53900 · Insurance	231,079.13	324,150.00	-93,070.87	71.29%
54000 · Outside Services				
54010 · Facility Maintenance & Repairs	24,375.46	25,000.00	-624.54	97.5%
54020 · Janitorial	4,896.94	7,500.00	-2,603.06	65.29%
54030 · Landscaping	12,298.97	15,000.00	-2,701.03	81.99%
54040 · Payroll Processing Fees	3,101.12	3,500.00	-398.88	88.6%
54050 · Pest Control	965.76	20.00	945.76	4,828.8%
54060 · Website & Computer Maintenance	60,843.61	40,000.00	20,843.61	152.11%
Total 54000 · Outside Services	106,481.86	91,020.00	15,461.86	116.99%
54070 · Permits & Fees	25.00	400.00	-375.00	6.25%
54080 · Postage	256.09	700.00	-443.91	36.58%
54090 · Printing	503.40	1,000.00	-496.60	50.34%
55000 · Professional Services				
55010 · Accounting Fees	13,750.00	20,000.00	-6,250.00	68.75%
55020 · Legal Fees	22,160.00	35,500.00	-13,340.00	62.42%
55030 · Professional Services - Other	66,088.29	15,500.00	50,588.29	426.38%
Total 55000 · Professional Services	101,998.29	71,000.00	30,998.29	143.66%
57000 · Supplies				
57100 · Conservation Garden & Education	0.00	6,000.00	-6,000.00	0.0%
57150 · Discretionary Projects	25,150.58	50,000.00	-24,849.42	50.3%
57200 · Office Supplies	4,541.04	10,000.00	-5,458.96	45.41%
57250 · Team Building & Incentives	1,112.91	1,500.00	-387.09	74.19%
57255 · Staff Uniforms & Merchandise	822.03	3,500.00	-2,677.97	23.49%
57300 · Office General	1,749.36	7,500.00	-5,750.64	23.33%
Total 57000 · Supplies	33,375.92	78,500.00	-45,124.08	42.52%
59000 · Utilities				
59100 · Gas & Electric	9,893.99	18,500.00	-8,606.01	53.48%
59200 · Sewer	633.41	2,500.00	-1,866.59	25.34%
59300 · Trash	5,647.84	6,500.00	-852.16	86.89%
59400 · Water	1,022.23	3,000.00	-1,977.77	34.07%
59500 · Telephones	13,359.78	25,000.00	-11,640.22	53.44%
Total 59000 · Utilities	30,557.25	55,500.00	-24,942.75	55.06%
65000 · Travel and Meetings				
65310 · Training	1,430.00	8,000.00	-6,570.00	17.88%
65320 · Travel Transportation Flights & Mileage	16,397.41	12,500.00	3,897.41	131.18%
65325 · Hotel Lodging	4,457.01	10,000.00	-5,542.99	44.57%
65330 · Travel Meals	2,867.90	5,000.00	-2,132.10	57.36%
Total 65000 · Travel and Meetings	25,152.32	35,500.00	-10,347.68	70.85%
66000 · Payroll Expenses				
66100 · Gross Payroll	366,931.52	434,000.00	-67,068.48	84.55%
66200 · In Leiu of Social Security 10.5%	150,453.90	45,570.00	104,883.90	330.16%
66300 · Medicare 1.45%	4,927.19	6,293.00	-1,365.81	78.3%
66400 · FUTA, SDI, ETT, SUI	0.00	12,500.00	-12,500.00	0.0%
Total 66000 · Payroll Expenses	522,312.61	498,363.00	23,949.61	104.81%
Total Expenses Unrestricted	1,392,042.63	1,625,678.00	-233,635.37	85.6%
Total Expense	4,711,828.20	10,886,366.44	-6,174,538.24	43.28%
Net Ordinary Income	-12,124.57	787,418.10	-799,542.67	-1.54%
Net Income	-12,124.57	787,418.10	-799,542.67	-1.54%

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ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
10000 · US Bank Checking	326,323.63
10020 · Petty Cash	400.00
10030 · LAIF	13,290.81
10040 · CLASS	2,662,021.79
Total Checking/Savings	3,002,036.23
Accounts Receivable	
12000 · Accounts Receivable	
12001 · RCD Foundation	25.00
12002 · County of SD Regional Cohesive	941.00
12003 · USFWS	1,137.49
12004 · NRCS IERCD	0.00
12006 · NRCS Scaling Up Climate Resilient	56,244.29
12007 · NACD Urban Ag TA	0.00
12009 · CDFA Farm to School Incubator	15,662.21
12010 · CDFA CUSP Economic Relief Grant	10,509.50
12011 · CARCD	149,220.98
12012 · CalFire County Coordinator	0.00
12013 · CDFA SWEEP TA	4,083.26
12014 · CDFA Climate Smart Ag TA	525.17
12015 · CDFA WETA 21-0881-000-SG	23,877.22
12016 · CDFA CAPGP Planning	79,500.00
12017 · Wildfire Resilience Education	10,000.00
12019 · DOC RFFC Round IIA	151,631.10
12020 · Fire Safe Council of San Diego	997.77
12021 · San Diego River Conservancy	0.00
12022 · CalFire Forest Health Grant	478,848.65
12023 · Wild Willow Field Trips and Tours	3,900.00
12024 · Wild Willow Classes and Workshops	0.00
12025 · Wild Willow AG & CSA Sales	772.00
12026 · Miscellaneous Receivables	2,358.71
12027 · San Diego Gas & Electric	0.00
12028 · CalFire CARCD Increasing Pace & Scale	148,609.96
12029 · Audubon Ranching	2,050.33
12030 · Port District	4,000.00
12031 · WCB Wildlife Conservation Board	64,299.66
12032 · Parks NACC	399,529.13
12034 · USFS 2024 Palomar DSAP	0.00
12035 · ZFP Healthy Soils Program	10,485.76
12036 · UP Listos United Policy Holders	8,823.34
12037 · CalFire Southern CA Wildfire Resilience Pla	18,381.89
12038 · CAFSC DSAP	0.00
12040 · SoCal Region of Baja RCDs	315.97
12041 · DOC Climate Smart Land Management	62,863.80
12046 · CDFA PHP	11,632.41
12050 · BLM Hemes Copper Butterfly	646.13
12060 · Tijuana River Valley Community	1,696.87
12090 · Sweetwater Community Garden	-209.25
12550 · Accrued Interest Receivable	195.14
Total 12000 · Accounts Receivable	1,723,555.49
Total Accounts Receivable	1,723,555.49
Other Current Assets	
12005 · Undeposited Funds	2,183.17
12500 · Lease Recievable	139,379.00
12600 · Property Tax Receivable	2,028.04
13000 · Prepaid Expenses	23,060.78
Total Other Current Assets	166,650.99
Total Current Assets	4,892,242.71
Fixed Assets	

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14000 · Accumulated Depreciation	
14020 · Building	505,000.00
14040 · Building Improvements	572,981.67
14060 · Furniture & Equipment	53,049.42
14080 · Land	110,000.00
14090 · Vehicles	76,537.22
14000 · Accumulated Depreciation - Other	-566,757.54
Total 14000 · Accumulated Depreciation	750,810.77
Total Fixed Assets	750,810.77
TOTAL ASSETS	5,643,053.48
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	
20000 · Accounts Payable	635,337.07
Total Accounts Payable	635,337.07
Other Current Liabilities	
20100· RCF Foundation Payable	20,153.01
20200· FSCSDC Payable	19,014.06
21000· Deferred Compensation	0.00
21010· Refundable Deposits on Garden Plots	41,648.67
21020 · Deferred Revenue	1,203,173.85
21045 · Accounts Payable Accrual	715.99
21060 · Vacation Accrual	45,809.82
25000 · DIR Leases	125,876.00
Total Other Current Liabilities	1,456,391.40
Total Current Liabilities	2,091,728.47
Total Liabilities	2,091,728.47
Equity	
30000 · Administration Operations Reserve	1,300,000.00
30020 · Capital Improvements Facility Reserve	100,000.00
30030 · Economic Stability Reserve	86,345.05
30040 · Technology Reserve	20,000.00
30080 · Discretionary Project Reserve	50,000.00
30091 · Fleet Reserve	50,000.00
30092 · General Fund Balance	207,632.22
30093 · Investment in Fixed Assets	865,461.00
32000 · Retained Earnings	823,023.75
32020 · Unrestricted Net Assets	60,987.56
Net Income	-12,124.57
Total Equity	3,551,325.01
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	5,643,053.48

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	Mar '25
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
40000 · Grant Income Restricted	
40041 · CDFA SWEEP TA 23-0684-000	343.80
40042 · CDFA CUSP Economic Relief Grant	3,756.64
40043 · CDFA WETA	8,382.16
40044 · CDFA Planning Grant CAPGP	1,172.21
40045 · CDFA Climate Smart Ag TA	412.61
40046 · CDFA Farm to School Incubator	6,100.03
40047 · USFS 2024 Girl Scouts Camp Winaka	0.00
40048 · USFS 2024 Palomar DSAP	0.00
40050 · CARCD WCB	6,938.07
40052 · County of SD Regional Cohesive	0.00
40053 · DOC RFFC Round IIA	56,009.83
40055 · CARCD NRCS Equity Grant	0.00
40056 · CDFA PHP	7,942.56
40057 · Audubon Ranching	0.00
40058 · CARCD Carbon Hub Coordinator	8,301.95
40059 · DOC Climate Smart Land Management	50,439.20
40060 · NRCS IERCD	0.00
40061 · CARCD NRCS Forestry TA	0.00
40064 · NRCS Scaling Up Climate Resilience	0.00
40075 · Prebys Foundation	5,953.54
40085 · Parks NACC	53,082.52
40095 · ZFP Zero Food Print Healthy Soils Block	583.60
40116 · WCB Wildlife Conservation Board	19,666.55
40120 · Port	0.00
40122 · CalFire Forest Health Grant	478,848.65
40123 · CalFire CARCD Increasing Pace & Scale	12,861.43
40124 · CalFire Southern CA Wildfire Res	8,340.60
40130 · NACD TA	5,304.91
40140 · NRP Neighborhood Reinvestment Program	0.00
40146 · SDG&E Fuels MOU	95,414.17
40192 · CSA Community Supported Ag	1,133.35
40193 · UP Listos Subcontract	4,359.61
40198 · SD Foundation Community Food	0.00
42005 · BLM Hermes Copper Butterfly	324.13
42007 · USFWS Pollinators on Working Lands	0.00
42020 · CAFSC DSAP	0.00
42021 · Wildfire Resilience Education	15,869.12
42022 · CalFire County Coordinator	0.00
Total 40000 · Grant Income Restricted	851,541.24
45000 · Income Unrestricted WWF/Gardens	
45001 · Wild Willow Classes & Workshops	1,312.50
45002 · Wild Willow Field Trips & Tours	3,590.00
45003 · Wild Willow Food Sales CSA	0.00
45004 · Wild Willow Wholesale Food Sales	1,229.50
45005 · Wild Willow Farm Stand Sales	0.00
45006 · Wild Willow Venue Rental	0.00
45007 · Wild Willow Donation	0.00

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	Mar '25
45190 · TRV Community Garden	5,837.40
45191 · Sweetwater Community Garden	4,506.84
Total 45000 · Income Unrestricted WWF/Gardens	16,476.24
45000 · Income - Unrestricted	
45010 · Rent	3,188.00
45020 · Donations	0.00
45030 · Rebates & Refunds	2,327.50
45040 · LAIF & CLASS Interest	9,668.05
45080 · US Bank Interest	18.93
45090 · Tax Assessments	38,500.00
45095 · Redevelopment Revenue	0.00
45100 · Misc Income	0.00
45200 · Fee for Service	12,400.00
45505 · Payroll & Benefits Offset	33,157.13
Total 45000 · Income - Unrestricted	99,259.61
Total Income	967,277.09
Expense	
50000 · Grant Expenses Restricted	
50041 · CDFA SWEEP TA 23-0684	286.50
50042 · CDFA CUSP Economic Relief Grant	2,927.87
50043 · CDFA WETA	7,034.48
50044 · CDFA Planning Grant CAPGP-23-07	42,799.14
50045 · CDFA Climate Smart Ag TA	0.00
50046 · CDFA Farm to School Incubator	5,083.29
50047 · USFS 2024 Girl Scout Camp Winaka	0.00
50048 · USFS 2024 Palomar DSAP	0.00
50049 · CARCD Monarchs	0.00
50050 · CARCD WCB	6,695.11
50052 ·County of San Diego Regional Cohesive	0.00
50053 · DOC RFFC Round IIA	49,771.40
50055 · CARCD NRCS Equity	0.00
50056 · CDFA PHP	7,330.95
50057 · Audubon Ranching	0.00
50058 · CARCD Carbon Hub Coordinator	7,547.23
50059 · DOC Climate Smart Land Management	45,035.00
50060 · NRCS IERCD	0.00
50061 · CARCD NRCS Forestry TA	0.00
50064 · NRCS Scaling Up Climate Resilience	0.00
50070 · Community Enhancement Grant CEG	0.00
50075 · Prebys Foundation	5,217.22
50085 · Parks NACC	47,395.11
50095 · ZFP Zero Food Print Healthy Soils Block	521.07
50116 · WCB Wildlife Conservation Board	17,559.43
50120 · Port	0.00
50122 · CalFire Forest Health Grant	427,543.44
50123 · CalFire CARCD Increasing Pace & Scale	10,717.86
50124 · CalFire Southern CA Wildfire Res	7,582.36
50130 · NACD Urban Ag TA	4,738.86
50140 · NRP Neighborhood Reinvestment Program	0.00

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	Mar '25
50146 · SDG&E Fuels MOU	82,099.27
50192 · CSA Community Supported Ag	944.46
50193 · UP Listos Subcontract	3,892.51
50198 · SD Foundation Community Food	0.00
52005 · BLM Hermes Copper Butterfly	289.40
52007 · USFWS Pollinators on Working Lands	0.00
52020 · CAFSC DSAP	126.88
52021 · Wildfire Resilience Education	14,168.86
52022 · CalFire County Coordinator	0.00
Total 50000 · Grant Expenses Restricted	797,307.70
53000 · Expenses Unrestricted	
53005 · Advertising	0.00
53035 · Processing Fees	117.80
53040 · Bank Fees	827.05
53050 · Depreciation	2,303.38
53060 · Donations, Awards & Scholarships	0.00
53070 · Dues & Memberships	0.00
53075 · Subscriptions	410.96
53080 · Equipment Leases	274.19
53100 · Automobile	
53110 · Fuel	-446.14
53120 · Repairs & Maintenance	636.00
Total 53100 · Automobile	189.86
53200 · Unrestricted Expense WWF & Gardens	
53201 · Wild Willow Farm Rent	1,644.40
53202 · Wild Willow Farm Payroll	8,137.02
53203 · Wild Willow Farm Office Supplies	2.76
53204 · Wild Willow Farm Utilities	1,271.08
53205 · Wild Willow Farm Telephone	166.50
53206 · Wild Willow Farm Trash	235.00
53207 · Wild Willow Farm Propane & Fuel	18.61
53208 · Wild Willow Farm Processing Fees	0.00
53208 · Wild Willow Farm Seeds, Soil & Compost	0.00
53210 · Wild Willow Farm Harvest Supplies	0.00
53211 · Wild Willow Farm Irrigation & Fencing	0.00
53212 · Wild Willow Farm Teaching & Class Supplies	0.00
53213 · Wild Willow Farm Animal Feed & Care	0.00
53214 · Wild Willow Farm Tools & Equipment	0.00
53215 · Wild Willow Farm Other Misc Expense	0.00
53216 · Wild Willow Farm Pest Control	0.00
53290 · TRV Garden	6,622.86
53291 · Sweetwater Garden	5,745.89
	23,844.12
53900 · Insurance	
53910 · Auto & General Liability	6,023.13
53920 · In Leiu of Health Insurance	15,932.87
53930 · Workers Compensation	1,618.66
Total 53900 · Insurance	23,574.66
54000 · Outside Services	
54010 · Facility Maintenance & Repairs	0.00

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	Mar '25
54020 · Janitorial	559.65
54030 · Landscaping	1,810.17
54040 · Payroll Processing Fees	214.82
54050 · Pest Control	0.00
54060 · Website & Computer Maintenance	4,030.00
Total 54000 · Outside Services	6,614.64
54070 · Permit	0.00
54080 · Postage	27.02
54090 · Printing	122.66
55000 · Professional Services	
55010 · Accounting Fees	0.00
55020 · Legal Fees	2,205.00
55030 · Professional Services - Other	10,525.00
Total 55000 · Professional Services	12,730.00
57000 · Supplies	
57100 · Conservation Garden & Education	0.00
57150 · Discretionary Projects	4,541.56
57200 · Office Supplies	269.32
57250 · Team Building & Incentives	162.39
57255 · Staff Uniforms & Merchandising	0.00
57300 · Office General	47.91
Total 57000 · Supplies	5,021.18
59000 · Utilities	
59100 · Gas & Electric	979.81
59200 · Sewer	0.00
59300 · Trash	712.78
59400 · Water	0.00
59500 · Telephones	1,370.53
Total 59000 · Utilities	3,063.12
65000 · Travel and Meetings	
65310 · Training	30.00
65320 · Travel Transportation, Flights & Mileage	381.14
65325 · Hotel Lodging	0.00
65330 · Travel Meals	326.67
Total 65000 · Travel and Meetings	737.81
66000 · Payroll Expenses	
66100 · Gross Payroll	39,082.14
66200 · In Lieu of Social Security 10.5%	14,292.79
66300 · Medicare 1.45%	544.62
66400 · FUTA, SDI, ETT, SUI	0.00
Total 66000 · Payroll Expenses	53,919.55
Total Expense	931,085.70
Net Ordinary Income	36,191.39
Net Income	**36,191.39**

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Reconciliation Summary
US Bank-General Checking, Period Ending 3/31/2025

	Mar 31, 25
Beginning Balance	134,448.89
Cleared Transactions	
Checks and Payments - 102 items	-320,899.53
Deposits and Credits - 40 items	581,298.61
Total Cleared Transactions	260,399.08
Cleared Balance	**394,847.97**
Uncleared Transactions	
Checks and Payments - 14 items	-68,699.34
Deposits and Credits - 4 items	175.00
Total Uncleared Transactions	-68,524.34

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Reconciliation Detail
US Bank-General Checking, Period Ending 3/31/2025

	Type	Date	Num	Name	Clr	Amount	Balance
Beginning Balance							**134,448.89**
Cleared Transactions							
Checks and Payments - 102 items							
	Bill Pmt -Check	01/10/2025	15081	Pauma Band of Luiseno Indians	√	-9,309.50	-9,309.50
	Bill Pmt -Check	02/13/2025	15154	Marilyn Huntamer	√	-384.20	-9,693.70
	Bill Pmt -Check	02/13/2025	15156	Office Depot	√	-50.86	-9,744.56
	Bill Pmt -Check	02/24/2025	15169	U.S. Bancorp Service Center, Inc	√	-14,771.88	-24,516.44
	Bill Pmt -Check	02/24/2025	15164	Responsible Solutions LLC	√	-10,000.00	-34,516.44
	Bill Pmt -Check	02/24/2025	15158	Corporate Technologies LLC	√	-3,040.00	-37,556.44
	Bill Pmt -Check	02/24/2025	15166	SDG&E	√	-968.33	-38,524.77
	Bill Pmt -Check	02/24/2025	15171	U.S. Bancorp Service Center, Inc	√	-525.67	-39,050.44
	Bill Pmt -Check	02/24/2025	15160	Diamond Environmental Services	√	-286.76	-39,337.20
	Bill Pmt -Check	02/24/2025	15159	CSDA, San Diego Chapter	√	-80.00	-39,417.20
	Bill Pmt -Check	02/24/2025	15157	Alison Trujillo Translations	√	-65.00	-39,482.20
	Bill Pmt -Check	02/25/2025	15174	Lincoln Financial	√	-18,247.71	-57,729.91
	Bill Pmt -Check	02/25/2025	15173	Al Delalat	√	-2,128.86	-59,858.77
	Bill Pmt -Check	02/26/2025	15175	Wallace Laboratories, Inc	√	-65.00	-59,923.77
	Bill Pmt -Check	02/27/2025	15176	Albert D. Quihuis	√	-1,400.00	-61,323.77
	General Journal	03/01/2025			√	-100.00	-61,423.77
	Bill Pmt -Check	03/03/2025	15183	County of San Diego	√	-1,644.40	-63,068.17
	Bill Pmt -Check	03/03/2025	15188	SC Fuels	√	-1,089.36	-64,157.53
	Bill Pmt -Check	03/03/2025	15182	Classic Landscape & Horticulture	√	-1,025.00	-65,182.53
	Bill Pmt -Check	03/03/2025	15190	Waste Management	√	-712.78	-65,895.31
	Bill Pmt -Check	03/03/2025	15187	Pacific Building Maintenance	√	-559.65	-66,454.96
	Check	03/03/2025	15180	Araceli Cayetano	√	-147.95	-66,602.91
	Check	03/03/2025	15178	Elmer Cayetano	√	-147.95	-66,750.86
	Check	03/03/2025	15179	Araceli Cayetano	√	-100.00	-66,850.86
	Bill Pmt -Check	03/03/2025	15184	Culligan Quench	√	-47.91	-66,898.77
	Bill Pmt -Check	03/03/2025	15189	Streamline	√	-45.00	-66,943.77
	Bill Pmt -Check	03/04/2025	ACH 3.04.25	Luis Felipe Trujillo Meza	√	-1,600.00	-68,543.77
	Bill Pmt -Check	03/04/2025	15192	California American Water	√	-1,400.12	-69,943.89
	Bill Pmt -Check	03/04/2025	ACH 3.04.25	Angelica Noelle Estevane	√	-800.00	-70,743.89
	Bill Pmt -Check	03/04/2025	ACH 3.04.25	Jazmin Barajas	√	-278.70	-71,022.59
	General Journal	03/05/2025			√	-57.84	-71,080.43
	General Journal	03/05/2025			√	-20.20	-71,100.63
	General Journal	03/07/2025			√	-107.41	-71,208.04
	Bill Pmt -Check	03/10/2025	15205	The Patriot Group	√	-11,500.00	-82,708.04
	Bill Pmt -Check	03/10/2025	15198	Empowerment Works Inc	√	-3,684.65	-86,392.69
	Bill Pmt -Check	03/10/2025	15204	Summit Fleet Mgmt.	√	-3,070.89	-89,463.58
	Bill Pmt -Check	03/10/2025	15195	Corporate Technologies LLC	√	-2,227.50	-91,691.08
	Bill Pmt -Check	03/10/2025	15194	California American Water	√	-1,370.42	-93,061.50
	Bill Pmt -Check	03/10/2025	15206	United Site Services	√	-576.00	-93,637.50
	Bill Pmt -Check	03/10/2025	15201	Lincoln Financial	√	-504.00	-94,141.50
	Bill Pmt -Check	03/10/2025	15207	EDCO Disposal Corporation	√	-420.02	-94,561.52
	Bill Pmt -Check	03/10/2025	15196	Cox Communications	√	-365.53	-94,927.05
	Bill Pmt -Check	03/10/2025	15197	EDCO Disposal Corporation	√	-235.00	-95,162.05
	Bill Pmt -Check	03/10/2025	15203	SDG&E	√	-223.75	-95,385.80
	Bill Pmt -Check	03/10/2025	15202	EDCO Disposal Corporation	√	-118.01	-95,503.81
	Bill Pmt -Check	03/10/2025	15200	Lakeside Water District	√	-113.32	-95,617.13
	Bill Pmt -Check	03/10/2025	15193	Brian Gallagher	√	-50.00	-95,667.13
	General Journal	03/12/2025			√	-47,819.97	-143,487.10
	General Journal	03/12/2025			√	-11,358.68	-154,845.78
	Bill Pmt -Check	03/12/2025	PD 03.12.25	Heather Cady	√	-2,866.72	-157,712.50
	Bill Pmt -Check	03/12/2025	PD 03.12.25	Eli Valdez	√	-333.61	-158,046.11
	Bill Pmt -Check	03/12/2025	PD 03.12.25	John Hendra	√	-244.15	-158,290.26
	Bill Pmt -Check	03/12/2025	PD 03.12.25	Elizabeth Garcia	√	-39.75	-158,330.01
	Bill Pmt -Check	03/12/2025	PD 03.12.25	Kacie Wright	√	-17.50	-158,347.51
	Bill Pmt -Check	03/14/2025	15216	Responsible Solutions LLC	√	-10,000.00	-168,347.51
	Bill Pmt -Check	03/14/2025	15209	Descanso Branch Library	√	-4,800.00	-173,147.51
	Bill Pmt -Check	03/14/2025	15220	Whispering Winds Catholic Camp	√	-3,500.00	-176,647.51
	Bill Pmt -Check	03/14/2025	15212	Lake Morena Community Church	√	-3,500.00	-180,147.51
	Bill Pmt -Check	03/14/2025	ACH 3.14.25	Thomas J. Smith	√	-2,627.00	-182,774.51
	Bill Pmt -Check	03/14/2025	15218	Sweetwater Authority	√	-2,443.58	-185,218.09
	Bill Pmt -Check	03/14/2025	15211	Fallbrook Branch Library	√	-1,750.00	-186,968.09
	Bill Pmt -Check	03/14/2025	15213	Mission Resource Conservation Di	√	-1,500.00	-188,468.09
	Bill Pmt -Check	03/14/2025	ACH 3.14.25	Cullen Riley Smith	√	-1,408.00	-189,876.09
	Bill Pmt -Check	03/14/2025	ACH 3.14.25	Albert D. Quihuis	√	-1,280.00	-191,156.09
	Bill Pmt -Check	03/14/2025	ACH 3.14.25	Dominick J. Chapparosa Jr.	√	-1,280.00	-192,436.09
	Bill Pmt -Check	03/14/2025	ACH 3.14.25	Eric Trotter	√	-1,280.00	-193,716.09
	Bill Pmt -Check	03/14/2025	ACH 3.14.25	Warren Paipa	√	-1,280.00	-194,996.09
	Bill Pmt -Check	03/14/2025	ACH 3.14.25	Jennifer MacDonald	√	-1,258.00	-196,254.09
	Bill Pmt -Check	03/14/2025	ACH 3.14.25	Henry D. Najera	√	-1,080.00	-197,334.09
	Bill Pmt -Check	03/14/2025	ACH 3.14.25	Jesse Jones	√	-1,080.00	-198,414.09
	Bill Pmt -Check	03/14/2025	15208	California American Water	√	-1,047.33	-199,461.42
	Bill Pmt -Check	03/14/2025	ACH 3.14.25	Luis Felipe Trujillo Meza	√	-640.00	-200,101.42
	Bill Pmt -Check	03/14/2025	ACH 3.14.25	Angelica Noelle Estevane	√	-320.00	-200,421.42
	Bill Pmt -Check	03/14/2025	ACH 3.14.25	Jazmin Barajas	√	-250.00	-200,671.42
	Bill Pmt -Check	03/14/2025	15217	Sharp Business Systems	√	-203.42	-200,874.84
	Bill Pmt -Check	03/14/2025	15219	U.S. Bancorp Service Center, Inc	√	-191.50	-201,066.34
	Check	03/15/2025			√	-727.05	-201,793.39
	General Journal	03/15/2025			√	-107.41	-201,900.80
	General Journal	03/18/2025			√	-39.76	-201,940.56
	Bill Pmt -Check	03/21/2025	15227	Corporate Technologies LLC	√	-3,040.00	-204,980.56
	Bill Pmt -Check	03/21/2025	15223	McDougal Boehmer Foley Lyon M	√	-2,205.00	-207,185.56
	Bill Pmt -Check	03/21/2025	15225	Native West Nursery	√	-957.90	-208,143.46

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Reconciliation Detail
US Bank-General Checking, Period Ending 3/31/2025

Type	Date	Num	Name	Clr	Amount	Balance
Bill Pmt -Check	03/21/2025	15229	SC Fuels	√	-761.52	-208,904.98
Bill Pmt -Check	03/21/2025	15228	Diamond Environmental Services	√	-286.55	-209,191.53
Bill Pmt -Check	03/21/2025	15222	JMB Sanitation	√	-279.55	-209,471.08
Bill Pmt -Check	03/21/2025	15221	Applied Industrial Microbiology, Ir	√	-240.00	-209,711.08
Bill Pmt -Check	03/24/2025	15232	Southland Forest Management LL	√	-39,272.00	-248,983.08
General Journal	03/24/2025			√	-2,612.25	-251,595.33
General Journal	03/26/2025			√	-43,237.75	-294,833.08
General Journal	03/26/2025			√	-11,399.45	-306,232.53
Bill Pmt -Check	03/28/2025	ACH 3.28.25	Jennifer MacDonald	√	-2,960.00	-309,192.53
Bill Pmt -Check	03/28/2025	ACH 3.28.25	Thomas J. Smith	√	-2,812.00	-312,004.53
Bill Pmt -Check	03/28/2025	ACH 3.28.25	Eric Trotter	√	-1,600.00	-313,604.53
Bill Pmt -Check	03/28/2025	ACH 3.28.25	Warren Paipa	√	-1,600.00	-315,204.53
Bill Pmt -Check	03/28/2025	ACH 3.28.25	Jesse Jones	√	-1,600.00	-316,804.53
Bill Pmt -Check	03/28/2025	ACH 3.28.25	Albert D. Quihuis	√	-1,400.00	-318,204.53
Bill Pmt -Check	03/28/2025	ACH 3.28.25	Cullen Riley Smith	√	-880.00	-319,084.53
Bill Pmt -Check	03/28/2025	ACH 3.28.25	Henry D. Najera	√	-400.00	-319,484.53
General Journal	03/31/2025			√	-525.00	-320,009.53
Bill Pmt -Check	03/31/2025	ACH 3.31.25	Luis Felipe Trujillo Meza	√	-320.00	-320,329.53
Bill Pmt -Check	03/31/2025	ACH 3.31.25	Angelica Noelle Estevane	√	-320.00	-320,649.53
Bill Pmt -Check	03/31/2025	ACH 3.31.25	Jazmin Barajas	√	-250.00	-320,899.53
Total Checks and Payments					-320,899.53	-320,899.53
Deposits and Credits - 40 items						
General Journal	02/28/2025			√	500.00	500.00
Bill Pmt -Check	03/03/2025	15191	Erik Rodriguez	√	0.00	500.00
Bill Pmt -Check	03/03/2025	15181	Angelica Noelle Estevane	√	0.00	500.00
Bill Pmt -Check	03/03/2025	15185	Jazmin Barajas	√	0.00	500.00
Bill Pmt -Check	03/03/2025	15186	Luis Felipe Trujillo Meza	√	0.00	500.00
Deposit	03/03/2025			√	70.00	570.00
Deposit	03/04/2025			√	350.00	920.00
General Journal	03/04/2025			√	500.00	1,420.00
Deposit	03/05/2025			√	350.00	1,770.00
Deposit	03/05/2025			√	31,949.02	33,719.02
General Journal	03/06/2025			√	2,327.50	36,046.52
Deposit	03/07/2025			√	350.00	36,396.52
Deposit	03/07/2025			√	700.00	37,096.52
General Journal	03/07/2025			√	200,000.00	237,096.52
General Journal	03/08/2025			√	20.00	237,116.52
General Journal	03/12/2025			√	3,501.73	240,618.25
Deposit	03/13/2025			√	308.62	240,926.87
Deposit	03/13/2025			√	30,382.74	271,309.61
General Journal	03/17/2025			√	25.00	271,334.61
General Journal	03/17/2025			√	25.00	271,359.61
General Journal	03/17/2025			√	25.00	271,384.61
General Journal	03/17/2025			√	50.00	271,434.61
General Journal	03/17/2025			√	292.50	271,727.11
Deposit	03/18/2025			√	1,921.09	273,648.20
Deposit	03/18/2025			√	123,023.00	396,671.20
Bill Pmt -Check	03/21/2025	15230	U.S. Bancorp Service Center, Inc	√	0.00	396,671.20
General Journal	03/24/2025			√	25.00	396,696.20
General Journal	03/24/2025			√	502.63	397,198.83
General Journal	03/24/2025			√	947.50	398,146.33
General Journal	03/24/2025			√	13,026.95	411,173.28
General Journal	03/25/2025			√	887.49	412,060.77
General Journal	03/25/2025			√	2,400.00	414,460.77
General Journal	03/26/2025			√	0.00	414,460.77
General Journal	03/28/2025			√	32.50	414,493.27
General Journal	03/28/2025			√	40.00	414,533.27
Deposit	03/28/2025			√	325.00	414,858.27
Deposit	03/28/2025			√	2,440.99	417,299.26
Deposit	03/28/2025			√	163,980.42	581,279.68
Deposit	03/31/2025			√	18.93	581,298.61
Bill Pmt -Check	04/01/2025	15246	SDRMA	√	0.00	581,298.61
Total Deposits and Credits					581,298.61	581,298.61
Total Cleared Transactions					260,399.08	260,399.08
Cleared Balance					260,399.08	394,847.97
Uncleared Transactions						
Checks and Payments - 14 items						
Bill Pmt -Check	12/17/2024	15025	Jamul Indian Village of California		-24,227.80	-24,227.80
Bill Pmt -Check	01/31/2025	15123	Albert D. Quihuis		-400.00	-24,627.80
Bill Pmt -Check	02/11/2025	15149	Tammy Jo Rymoff		-20.00	-24,647.80
Bill Pmt -Check	03/10/2025	15199	Kirthana Pisipati		-50.00	-24,697.80
Bill Pmt -Check	03/14/2025	15215	Potrero Community Center		-5,400.00	-30,097.80
Bill Pmt -Check	03/14/2025	15214	Pine Valley Clubhouse		-2,750.00	-32,847.80
Bill Pmt -Check	03/14/2025	15210	Dulzura Community Resource Center		-1,000.00	-33,847.80
General Journal	03/17/2025				-50.00	-33,897.80
Bill Pmt -Check	03/21/2025	15231	U.S. Bancorp Service Center, Inc		-8,931.80	-42,829.60
Bill Pmt -Check	03/21/2025	15224	Merkel & Associates		-3,400.00	-46,229.60
Bill Pmt -Check	03/21/2025	15226	SDG&E		-979.81	-47,209.41
Bill Pmt -Check	03/24/2025	15233	The Patriot Group		-3,450.00	-50,659.41
Bill Pmt -Check	03/25/2025	15234	Lincoln Financial		-17,913.05	-68,572.46
Bill Pmt -Check	03/26/2025	15235	California Fire Safe Council AP		-126.88	-68,699.34
Total Checks and Payments					-68,699.34	-68,699.34
Deposits and Credits - 4 items						
General Journal	03/24/2025				50.00	50.00

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Type	Date	Num	Name	Clr	Amount	Balance
General Journal	03/24/2025				50.00	100.00
General Journal	03/25/2025				50.00	150.00
General Journal	03/26/2025				25.00	175.00
Total Deposits and Credits					175.00	175.00
Total Uncleared Transactions					-68,524.34	-68,524.34
Register Balance as of 03/31/2025					191,874.74	326,323.63

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Date: May 14, 2025

Agenda Item 6-1: RCD Legislative Advocacy Policy

Discussion / History:

At the April Board meeting, Board President Don Butz noted that the RCD should have a policy in place to allow the Executive Director to take certain actions related to supporting or opposing proposed legislation, especially those that are time sensitive. In October 2022, the Board approved a Legislative Advocacy Policy. That document is included in this agenda packet for the Board to review and determine if any edits are needed.

Financial Impact: none

Staff Recommendation to the Board: Staff is seeking direction from the Board.

Resource Conservation District of Greater San Diego County Legislative Advocacy Policy
Approved October 12, 2022

Purpose

The purpose of the policy is to guide Resource Conservation District of Greater San Diego County (District) Board and staff in considering legislative or regulatory proposals that are likely to have an impact on the District, and to allow for a timely response to important legislative issues, including designation of the District as a supporter of legislation, and/or letters from the District to the Legislature and/or Congress consistent with this policy. Although the expenditure of public funds for the purpose of supporting or opposing a ballot measure or candidate is prohibited, the expenditure of public funds is allowed to advocate for or against proposed legislation or regulatory actions which will affect the public agency expending the funds.

The purpose for identifying Legislative Advocacy Procedures is to provide clear direction to District staff with regard to monitoring and acting upon bills during state and federal legislative sessions. Adherence to Legislative Advocacy Procedures will ensure that legislative inquiries and responses will be administered consistently with "one voice" as to the identified Advocacy Priorities adopted by the Board of Directors. The Legislative Advocacy Procedures and Advocacy Priorities will provide the District Executive Director, or other designee, discretion to advocate in the District's best interests in a manner consistent with the goals and priorities adopted by the Board of Directors.

Policy Goals

- Advocate the District's legislative interests at the Local, State, and Federal levels.
- Inform and provide information to the Board of Directors and district staff on the legislative process and key issues and legislation that could have a potential impact on the district.
- Serve as an active participant with other local governments, the California Association of Resource Conservation Districts, the California Special Districts Association, and other aligned entities on legislative and regulatory issues that are important to the district.
- Seek grant and funding assistance for District projects, services, and programs to enhance services for the community.

Policy Principles

While advocacy is not a core function of the District, the Board of Directors recognizes the need to protect District interests and local control, and to identify various avenues to implement its strategic and long-term goals. It is the policy of the District to, as staff time and resources allow, proactively monitor and advocate for legislation as directed by the Advocacy Priorities and by the specific direction of the Board of Directors.

This policy provides the District's Executive Director, or other designee, the flexibility to adopt positions on legislation in a timely manner, while allowing the Board of Directors to set Advocacy Priorities to provide policy guidance. The Board of Directors shall establish various Advocacy Priorities and staff will make every effort to obtain Board approval in advance of taking a position on behalf of the District. When advance approval is not feasible, staff will notify the Board of a proposed advocacy action and allow the board the opportunity to call a special meeting to weigh in. So long as the position fits within

the Advocacy Priorities and the Board does not call a special meeting, staff is authorized to take a position without board approval.

Whenever an applicable Advocacy Priority does not exist pertaining to legislation affecting the District, the matter shall be brought before the Board of Directors at a regularly scheduled board meeting for formal direction from the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors may choose to establish a standing committee of two Directors, known as the "Legislative Advocacy Committee", with the authority to adopt a position when consideration by the full Board of Directors is not feasible within the time-constraints of the legislative process.

Advocacy Priorities

Support the District's Mission

The District's mission is to empower communities to protect, conserve, and restore natural resources through education, collaboration, and implementation. The District will support legislation that directly supports this mission. Examples of how legislation could support the District's mission include but are not limited to: creating technical assistance or incentive programs that support conservation efforts on the part of landowners; streamlining permitting requirements in order to facilitate conservation projects such as habitat restoration or climate-smart farming; developing conservation grant programs or allocating grant funds to conservation work.

Recognize the Important Role of RCDs

Examples of how legislation could recognize the role of RCDs include but are not limited to specifically listing RCDs as participants in advisory or decision-making bodies, as providers of technical assistance, as entities eligible for grant or contract funds, or as otherwise integral to carrying out the intent of the legislation.

Support Funding Opportunities

Support opportunities that allow the District to compete for its fair share of regional, state and federal funding, that leverage the District's ability to contract directly with state agencies, and that maintain funding streams. Opportunities may include competitive grant programs, direct contracts, or dedicated funding streams at the regional, state, and federal levels. In addition to new or continued funding streams, support measures that improve the administration of such funds, for example through advance payments, prompt payment clauses, or support of adequate indirect cost reimbursements.

Support Voluntary Conservation Efforts

The District is a non-regulatory public agency and our work is founded in voluntary conservation efforts. We support efforts to streamline regulations in order to facilitate voluntary conservation efforts.

Legislative Advocacy Procedures

It is the policy of the District to, as time and resources allow, proactively monitor and advocate for legislation as directed by the Guiding Principles and by the specific direction of the Board of Directors. This process involves interaction with federal, state and local government entities both in regards to specific items of legislation and to promote positive ongoing intergovernmental relationships.

Monitoring legislation is a shared function of the Board of Directors and District staff. The Legislative Advocacy Procedures are the process by which staff will track and respond to legislative issues in a timely and consistent manner. The Executive Director, or other designee, will act on legislation utilizing the following procedures:

1. The Executive Director or other designee shall review requests that the District take a position on legislative issues to determine if the legislation aligns with the district's current approved Advocacy Priorities.

2. The Executive Director or other designee will conduct a review of positions and analysis completed by the California Special Districts Association, California Association of Resource Conservation Districts, and other local government associations when formulating positions.

3. If the matter aligns with the approved priorities, District response shall be supplied in the form of a letter to the legislative body reviewing the bill or measure. Advocacy methods utilized on behalf of the district, including but not limited to letters, phone calls, emails, and prepared forms, will be communicated through the Executive Director or designee. The Executive Director or designee shall advise staff to administer the form of advocacy, typically via letters signed by the Executive Director, or designee, on behalf of the Board of Directors.

4. To the extent feasible, draft position letters initiated by the Executive Director will be brought to the Board for input and approval. The Board will be given the opportunity to call a special meeting if needed to approve a potential advocacy action.

5. All draft legislative position letters initiated by the Executive Director or designee shall state whether the district is requesting "support", "support if amended", "oppose", or "oppose unless amended" action on the issue, and shall include adequate justification for the recommended action. If possible, the letter should include examples of how a bill would specifically affect the district.

6. The Executive Director may also provide a letter of concern or interest regarding a legislative issue without taking a formal position on a piece of legislation. Letters of concern or interest are to be administered through the Executive Director or designee.

7. A position may be adopted by the Executive Director or designee if any of the following criteria is met:
    a. The position is consistent with the adopted Advocacy Priorities
    b. The position is consistent with that of organizations to which the district is a member, such as the California Association of Resource Conservation Districts; or
    c. The position is approved by the Board of Directors [or the Legislative Advocacy Committee].

8. All legislative positions adopted via a process outside of a regularly scheduled Board Meeting shall be communicated to the Board of Directors at the next regularly scheduled Board Meeting.

When appropriate, the Executive Director or other designee will submit a report (either written or verbal) summarizing activity on legislative measures to the Board of Directors.

Candidates for Public Office

It is the policy of the District not to participate in, directly or indirectly, or to intervene in (including by means of the publishing or distributing of statements) any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office.

Individual Land Use Projects

While the District may take positions on land conservation and preservation or creation of agricultural lands, it is the policy of the District not to take a position on individual land use projects, for example a new housing development or farming operation.

Advocacy on the part of Individual District Directors and Staff

Notwithstanding the above policies, the District recognizes that individual Board Members and staff may wish to participate in the political process. Individual Board Members and staff may take a position on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office or any legislation and communicate regarding those positions so long as they clearly indicate that the position reflects their individual views and is not the position of the District. In no case shall a member of District staff, in the course of their professional role, take or communicate a position which is contrary to an official position of the District.

Activity Highlights for April 2025
Prepared for Board Meeting on 5/14/2025

ACTIVITIES

Executive Director:

- Staff & organization management
  - Continued to hold regular check-ins with staff and bi-weekly office staff meetings.
  - Continued visiting the farm to attend meetings and support staff.
  - Providing support to Rachel Petitt, coordinator of SoCal Soil & Water Hub, and attended a Hub meeting as well as a meeting with our Hub and CCI to discuss future funding models for the Soil Hubs.
  - Continuing to work with our strategic planning consultant and the management team to move forward on our strategic plan update. Coordinating an 'all hands' meeting in May.
  - Conducted annual reviews with Joel and Areli.
  - Received confirmation that our federal Negotiated Indirect Cost Rate Agreement (NICRA) will be adjusted to 20% as of July 1. Our new NICRA will have a four-year term.
- Program support
  - Serving as point of contact on the WCB funded Otay Valley Regional Park Restoration Planning project: attended monthly check-ins with lead partner and funder, continued preparing to apply for Statutory Exemption for Restoration Projects (SERP); coordinated and attended the quarterly partners meeting; and submitted quarterly reporting.
  - Continued to support RCD managers with grants and programs.
  - Continuing to work with the County, Lani, and staff to finalize a plan to expend ARPA funds to make improvements at the TRVCG.
  - Attended one day of the Forest Gathering, a three-day event to bring together tribes, agencies, and other entities to discuss collaboration and land stewardship.
  - Supporting staff with the Conservation Scholarship process.
  - Attended a meeting with partners who work on the Hermes Copper Butterfly; learned that we can resume work on our BLM grant that funds our Hermes project.
- Wild Willow Farm transition
  - Participated in a site walk with County Parks Region Manager for the South Bay and RCD staff.
  - Continued planning for winding down production at Wild Willow Farm, discussing education programming with staff, and informing partners
  - Met with County Parks and Sweetwater Union High School district to discuss opportunities for developing a farm to supply the school district; checked in with Sweetwater Union about our plans to support the farm at Southwest High School.
- CARCD
  - Participated in the April CARCD Board meeting as the SoCal District Manager representative.
  - Participated in meetings of the CARCD Legislative Committee.
  - Supporting regional and state-wide coordination among RCDs for Proposition 4 funding.
  - Attending weekly DM/ED calls to share information about federal funding uncertainties.
- Other meetings

- Met with LAFCO staff to discuss an application for a SALC Planning Grant focused on building capacity to hold conservation easements and funding an ag liaison position.
- Attended Jury Duty the week of April 21.

PROGRAM REPORTS

Pollinators:

SDPA: Attended the La Jolla Intertribal Earth Day to promote pollinators; finalized location for Q2 SDPA meeting.

Pollinator General: Shared 200+ grams of native milkweed seed with partner orgs for upcoming events; Received quotes from contractors for permitting work on pending WCB application for threatened butterflies planning grant.

AG TA:

Outreach: Notified SDPA network and Mission RCD about need for volunteers at Nopalito planting day.

Planning & Implementation: Finalized & ordered supplies for Nopalito Farm planting day in May; supported a pollinator habitat planting day at Black Mountain Farm in April.

Sweetwater & TRV Community Garden

New gardener orientations – TRV 2, and Sweetwater 1

Events:
Hosted the annual spring garden clean-up events at both sites; led weeding and re-mulching at TRV pollinator garden.

Farm to School:

- Three produce deliveries completed to Sweetwater Union High School District.
- Supported Dr. Arias at Southwest High School with produce sales permitting.

Agriculture Department Statistics

• Farms Provided Technical Assistance: 47 (40 GSD; 7 USLR – Agave Lab, Solinas Family Farms, Yarger Family Grove, Suarez Orchard, Gregory Palm Farms, Valencia Groves, Wollman Farm, 2 Mission – Nopalito Farm, Wollman Farm) 26% Underserved

  - Soil Tests: 7
  - Irrigation Evaluations: 4
  - Other Technical Assistance: application assistance, farm planning, implementation guidance, land access search, practice demonstration, practice verification, letter of recommendation
- Funds Awarded to Producers: $16,703
- Acres of Practices Implemented: 1
- Educational Workshops Hosted: 2
- Number of Participants in Events Hosted: 54
- Number of Farmers and Ranchers in Events Hosted: 17

Program Updates:

• **Projects Funded**: Hukama Produce: $10,000 (Economic Relief), S&S Friendly: $1,656 (Working Lands for Pollinators), Black Mountain Farm: (Working Lands for Pollinators) $5,047
• **CDC County Climate Smart**: exchanged research methods with SDSU Ecology, phoned Vista farms near conserved lands and mailed 125 farms in Escondido; visited two ranching families in Santa Ysabel and explored potential to host demonstrations; Grangetto Ranches installed irrigation for swap block; arranged meeting with participants educational institution for native nursery training; CA Farmlink

advertised job description for Land Access Associate; contacted public landowners in South Bay to propose farm leases; outlined mentorship and succession events and technical assistance
• **CDFA Conservation Planning**: submit two plans for reimbursement by CDFA; one plan drafted; visited four sites to assess carbon farm plan potential; requested support of Foodshed to complete two more plans; training in mapping methods
• **CDFA Economic Relief**: Hukama Produce in Ramona awarded an additional $10,000 for extreme weather impacts; worked on two applications for flood relief
• **SDCWA Irrigation Audits**: Uptick in requests for evaluations and submissions of receipts as deadline approaches
• **NACD Technical Assistance**: Drafted IPM survey, arranged initial site visits, trained in reporting
• **Audubon**: Co-hosted Conservation Ranching Field Day at Rancho Corta Madera, including 42 participants and 15 ranchers; held meeting with SD Bird Alliance
• Served as regional co-lead for kickoff of SB 675 Prescribed Grazing Directive on behalf of CA Board of Forestry Range Management Advisory Committee
• Tabled at Farm Bureau Graze at the Fields event with 350 participants including 19 farmers

Forestry + Fire Prevention Department:

- Presented at several local community meetings and events about the value of FSCs and how to start them.
- Four new FSCs being considered in May for establishment.
- Native American Conservation Corps crew continue to train and work in Palomar, Cuyamaca Rancho, and Borrego State Park.
- Cal Fire Forest Health Grant- "Saving San Diego's Last Mixed Conifer Forest" has been finalized. The closeout report has been submitted. Great work by all!
- Start conversations with Mataguay Scout Camp to develop potential partnership.
- Continue to work with communities for roadside brushing projects.

Fire Safe Council: Meetings & Workshops

- Hosted the Mt. Laguna Last Chance Survival Simulation Workshop
- Hosted the Elfin Forest Last Chance Survival Simulation Workshop

FSC Homeowner Program

- 115 Home Assessments completed in Ramona!
- DSAP eligible residents in Ramona will be receiving assistance with recommended modifications in the coming weeks through our partnership with San Diego Canyonlands

RCD/NRCS Shared Forestry Position:

- Collaboration with the NRCS on this position has paused due to federal funding cuts.

Port – Watershed Education:

- 5 presentations at two schools, reaching 119 students.

Conservation Scholarship:

- Application window closed on 4.14 – a total of 35 Scholarships were received!

Wild Willow Farm

- **Field Trips:** 4 field trips attended by 172 students grades 1-4
- **Education/Workshops**: Farm School Spring Session, April 12, 2025 – May 31st, 2025, 13 students
- **Production:** continued growing produce for Sweetwater Union High School District, with last delivery planned for week of May 5.

• SUPPORT / STRUGGLES •

- AmeriCorps has been defunded, causing an abrupt pause, and/or stop to our GrizzlyCorps fellowship.

• NEWSLETTERS •

Link to FSC newsletter *"The Responder"*

** updates are regularly posted on our FSC Instagram firesafesdcounty

Community Gardens:

TRV Cleanup Reminder

Road Repairs at TRV

April AG Announcements Link: https://mailchi.mp/rcdsandiego/farmer-rancher-april2025-10910932

• UPCOMING EVENTS •

- Julian Home Assessments (first three weeks of May)
- May 7-8-Mountains to the Sea Southwestern Tribal Climate Summit
- May 8- FSC General Meeting
- May 14-15-UCANR Agritourism Summit
- May 14-Viejas Native Plant Workshop

- May 17-Nopalito Farm Habitat Planting- open to public
- May 18-SDRFF/ SDGE SAFE Grant Awards
- May 19-Board of Forestry Range Committee
- May 20-Cattleman's Field Day
- May 23-SDFSA Intro to Producer Cooperatives - open to the public
- June 17-UCANR Avocado Irrigation Workshop - open to the public
- June 25-County Ag Water Quality Workshop

RCD / FSC GRANT STATUS **CURRENT GRANT ACTIVITY – APRIL 2025** **ITEM 7-2a**

Grant Applications Submitted	Program	Amount $	Notes / Updates
CA FSC - County FSC Coordinator program	Forestry & Fire Prevention	$151,000	Funding to support our Fire Safe Council Coordinator position
Wildlife Conservation Board – SD County Butterflies	Pollinator Health	$601,000	RCD will serve as lead agency if awarded. Pre-proposal submitted.
Grants Currently Working On	**Program**	**Amount $**	**Notes**
National Association of Conservation Districts	Tijuana River Valley Community Garden	TBD	Irrigation efficiencies at TRVCG and other improvement projects – application period is on hold due to federal freeze.
Recent Grants Awarded	**Program**	**Amount $**	**Notes**
Port of San Diego	Education	$48,300	Environmental Education Program grant for 3-year renewal of Watershed Education Program. Notified that we have been recommended for an award of $48,300. Awaiting contract.
CARCD - Wildlife Conservation Board block Grant	Ag Department	$92,893	Funds to establish agroforestry practices on two farms to serve as demonstration sites
Hervey Family Fund	Sweetwater Community Garden	$20,000	Technical assistance for irrigation efficiency with garden members – requested $30,931.42 (part-funded)
CAL FIRE Pilot Community Block Grant	Forestry & Fire Prevention	$10m	Regional Investment Strategy for RFFC SoCal Block Grantees. We will manage the grant for the region. 10/2024 – 10/2029
County of San Diego – Neighborhood Reinvestment Program	TRV Community Garden	$30,000	Funding for infrastructure improvements awarded December 2024.
NACC Parks	Forestry & Fire Prevention	$362K	This is a continuation into year 4 of the Native American Conservation Corps. 11/2024 – 7/2025
CalOES	Flood Relief – January 22 flooding	Approx $65,000	Funds to repair / replace damaged infrastructure and equipment at the TRVCG and Wild Willow Farm – funds being disbursed on a project basis
CFSC- SFC	Forestry & Fire Prevention	$100K	Home Assessments and DSAP Program
SDG&E	Forestry & Fire Prevention	$25K	Support for the Forestry Department's NACC Program.
United Policyholders Listos	Forestry & Fire Prevention	$75K	Fire Safe Council outreach
Good Neighbor Authority (Bureau of Land Management)	Pollinator Health	$640,870	Hermes Copper Butterfly restoration; submitted 9/1/23; partnership with USFS, SD Zoo & Wildlife Alliance, SDMMP, USFWS and others. RCD as lead agency. Awarded April 2024 – through April 2029.
USFS Fuels Reduction	Forestry & Fire Prevention	$500,000	Two community projects at $250k each were selected for funding: Home Assessments and Fuels Reduction with a focus on dead tree removal at Palomar; continued CalVTP treatments at Girl Scouts

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Strategic Growth Council Community Resilience Center	Ag Department and Wild Willow Farm	$99,681.44 of $10m request	These funds are part of an award to Casa Familiar in San Ysidro. We will support them in developing a communal growing space and curriculum for residents. Awarded April 2024 - 2029.
SDG&E	Forestry & Fire Prevention	$1M	New budget amount for 2024; renewable annually for 5 years.
Office of Planning and Research, Regional Resilience Planning and Implementation Grant Program	Forestry & Fire Prevention	$200,000	Partner on SD County Fire Protection District's grant, along with City of San Diego. $1,588,838 awarded to SD County. Announced Dec 2023
Wildlife Conservation Board	Habitat restoration planning grant	$409,000	Project in collaboration with the Green Infrastructure Consortium and Otay River valley Regional Park, RCD as lead partner. Nov 2023 – Feb 2027
Dept of Conservation – Climate Smart Working Lands	Agriculture Dept	$1,074,448	Grant in partnership with SD County (they are lead agency), implementation of SALC-related projects. $1,800,000 awarded Nov 2023.
NACD Outreach and Technical Assistance	Agriculture Department	$62,000	To provide TA on integrated pest management
CDFA Healthy Soils TA	Ag Department	$56,000	Partner on Zero Food Print block grant. We will provide TA to farmers in our district.
CARCD USDA Equity in Conservation Outreach Block Grant	Wild Willow Farm	$22,500	Agriculture education for South Bay youth.
CDFA SWEEP TA	Ag Department	$50,000	Technical assistance for grant applications and implementation for Healthy Soils and SWEEP.
CDFA WETA	Ag Department	$408,932	Irrigation assessments for producers. 6/30/22 – 6/30/25
NRCS-CARCD	Forestry & Fire Prevention	$303,016.77	Three-year grant to fund a full-time forester or similar position to support forest management plans and other planning work.
CA Fire Safe Council	Forestry & Fire Prevention	$500,000	Working with community FSCs, Urban Corps, and Go Patriot to implement defensible space support in targeted communities.
CARCD / Carbon Cycle Institute / Patterson Farming Hub	Agriculture	$350,000	Funds Hub Coordinator for SoCal region for three years (Oct 2023 – 2026)
Audubon California Conservation Ranching	Ag Department	$10,000	Funds environmental monitoring activities at two ranches to supplement carbon farm plans, habitat management plans and grazing management plans
NRCS CA – Contribution Agreement	Agriculture Dept	$150,000	Funding to support technical assistance to farmers & ranchers and to refer to NRCS programs.
Community Food Fund, San Diego Foundation	Community Gardens	$100,000	Original request for $187k, part funded to support TRV Community Garden.
CDFA Underserved Producers Economic Relief (CUSP)	Agriculture dept	$87,000	Grant to build on 2021 funding by capitalizing on existing relationships and reputation to support underserved farmers to access funds and resources post-disaster.

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DOC - RFFC Program Round III and Opportunity Fund - Wildfire Resiliency	Forestry & Fire Prevention	$3.15M	Recent amendment approved to combine Round III and Opportunity Fund with Round our II grant.
CARCD – WCB block grant	Pollinator Health	$356,515	Five-year grant to CARCD and sub-awarded to RCDs. Awarded 1/13/23
CDFA Pollinator Habitat Program	Pollinator Health	$339k	Funds to support implementation of pollinator habitat on working lands, Awarded March 2023; 7/1/23 – 6/30/26
CDFA Planning Grant (CAPGP)	Funding to support conservation planning with farmers and ranchers, including carbon farm planning	$249,700	Joint proposal with Regional Carbon Farming Hub partners (Mission and Inland Empire RCDs). 6/30/23 – 6/14/25
Subcontract from Food Shed	Agriculture - carbon farm plans	$40,000	Subcontract is part of Food Shed's recently awarded USDA Climate Smart Commodities grant (Dec 2022) – awaiting subcontractor agreement. Total award is approx. $5m.
Unsuccessful Applications	**Program**	**Amount $**	**Notes**
CDFA – Farm to School	Agriculture	$22,000	Declined due to state budget shortfalls: This request is for an extension of our current Farm to School grant to cover additional supplies and a small amount of staff time.
USDA Local Meat Processing	Agriculture	$87,000	Supporting a $1.1m application from KCW Custom Processing to develop a mobile slaughter and processing facility. RCD will provide outreach and TA.
Community Wildfire Defense Grant	Forestry & Fire Prevention	$552,216	Palomar Mountain FSC CWPP projects, especially defensible space and ingress/egress
Community Wildfire Defense Grant	Forestry & Fire Prevention	$3,219,425	Funds to expand our Home Assessment Program and provide defensible space assistance.

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Grant Applications Submitted	**Program**	**Amount $**	**Notes / Updates**
Grants Currently Working On	**Program**	**Amount $**	**Notes**
Grants/ Donations Awarded	**Program**	**Amount $**	**Notes**
Prebys Foundation – Healing Through Nature	Wild Willow Farm	$50,000	Operating funds
Hervey Family Fund	Wild Willow Farm	$12,500	Donation via SD Foundation, December 2024
Private donation	Wild Willow Farm	$5,000	Donation received December 2024
Private donation	Wild Willow Farm	$5,000	Donation received May 2024
San Diego Self Storage	Wild Willow Farm	$1,000	Donation received February 2024
CDFA – Farm to School, Track 4	Wild Willow Farm	$150,000	Funding to develop a Farm to School field to supply produce to Sweetwater Union High School District for school consumption and nutrition education programs.
Hervey Family Fund	Wild Willow Farm	$20,592	Funding to review the CSA model and promote to / engage the local community
Grants Denied / Cancelled	**Program**	**Amount $**	**Notes**
Prebys Foundation – Healing Through Nature	Wild Willow Farm	Approx $150,000	Funding to support education programs and increase access to nature from surrounding communities
CDFA Farm to School	Wild Willow Farm	Approx. $200,000	A grant to build on our current F2S grant: continue produce sales to district, increase educational component at the farm and at Southwest Highschool
SDGE Environmental Champions	TRV Community Garden	Approx. $30,000	Develop a pollinator habitat and seat area – beautification project
CDFA Urban Agriculture	Wild Willow Farm	$175,000	Staff capacity and business planning

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