



**Board Meeting Agenda**  
**February 16, 2023 - 3:30PM-5:30PM**

**MEETING LOCATION:** Gold Ridge Resource Conservation District, 2776 Sullivan Road, Sebastopol, CA 95472  
*Board meeting will be held in person and remotely*

**REMOTE ACCESS:** Members of the staff and public can participate remotely by using the following options:

**Zoom:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81326946028?pwd=VERncTBxaWdkaFpkTUZKL3RRROW81UT09>

**Phone:** [\(669\) 900-6833](tel:6699006833). Meeting ID: [813 2694 6028](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81326946028). Passcode: [111](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81326946028).

**District Directors:** Joe Dutton, President; Mel Sanchietti, Director; Guy Smith, Director; Lorri Duckworth, Director; Elias Zegarra, Director

**Associate Directors:** Chris Choo, Temra Costa

1. **Call to order, Determination of a Quorum, Introductions**
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. **Informational Items**
  - a. **Gold Ridge RCD Updates & Notices**
  - b. **Report out on Ad Hoc Financial Sustainability Committee Meeting** (*Mare O'Connell*)
  - c. **Carbon Farm Program Update** (*William Hart*)
  - d. **CalTrans Mitigation Project Contracting Update** (*John Green*)
5. **Consent Calendar**
  - a. **December 2022 Special Meeting Minutes, January 2023 Grant Status Report** (*Brittany Jensen*)
6. **Action Items**
  - a. **Approval of Financial Report, and Warrant Request for FY 22/23 through November 2022** (*Mare O'Connell*)
  - b. **Approval of Executive Director to enter into a contract with Sonoma County Ag + Open Space for \$100,000 for the *Living with Fire: Sonoma County Forest Conservation Conference*** (*Adriana Stagnaro*)
  - c. **Approval of Executive Director to Enter into Contract for \$225,000 to provide assistance on Conservation Agriculture Plans through an agreement with the California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) Climate Smart Agriculture (CSA) programs.** (*William Hart*)
  - d. **Approve Resolutions 2023-03, 2023-04 and 2023-05 authorizing the Executive Director to enter into agreements with the California Department of Fish and Wildlife to operate water releases in Dutch Bill and Green Valley Creeks. Total funding for the three releases is \$84,092** (*John Green*)

- e. **Approve Resolution 2023-06 authorizing the Executive Director to enter into an agreement with the California Department of Fish and Wildlife for implementation of the Lower Green Valley Creek Off-Channel Habitat Enhancement Project at Iron Horse Vineyards, Phase I Project for \$1,886,554 (Sierra Cantor)**
- f. **Vote for one candidate as the Special District Representative to the Sonoam Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCo) (Brittany Jensen)**
- 7. Recess to Closed Session: Pursuant to Brown Act Government Code Section 54957 Public Employee Evaluation Position: Executive Director, Annual Evaluation**
- 8. Reconvene Regular Board Meeting and Report Actions Taken in Closed Session**
- 9. Future Agenda Items**
- 10. Adjournment**

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**District Staff:**

Brittany Jensen, Executive Director	Michele Harris, District Administrator
Joe Pozzi, District Manager	Mare O’Connell, Financial Manager
Noelle Johnson, Deputy Director	Jason Wells, Forester
John Green, Lead Scientist & Program Manager	Tess Polizzotti, GrizzlyCorps Fellow
Sierra Cantor, Ecologist	Angel Arcuri, ClimateCorps Fellow
William Hart, Project Manager	Will Spangler, Conservation Project Manager
Adriana Stagnaro, Outreach & Project Manager	Tom Hammond, Shared Engineer

**Schedule of Upcoming Gold Ridge RCD Board Meetings:**

Every Third Thursday of the month, unless marked\*

The following meetings will be held in person (unless noted) and with an option to join virtually over Zoom video conferencing. For information about how to join a Zoom meeting, see:

<https://support.zoom.us/hc/en-us/articles/201362193-How-Do-I-Join-A-Meeting->

- March 16, 3:30-5:30pm
- April 20, 3:30-5:30pm
- May 18, 3:30-5:30pm