

RCD OF TEHAMA COUNTY

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RESOURCE
CONSERVATION
DISTRICT OF TEHAMA
COUNTY

Helping citizens manage, conserve improve and enjoy the natural resources of Tehama County.

Information for Prospective Members of the Board of Directors



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ABOUT THE RCD

The Resource Conservation District of Tehama County (RCD) is a nonregulatory public agency with a mission to assist citizens in the management, conservation, improvement and enjoyment of the natural resources of Tehama County, facilitating land use decisions that are socially acceptable, environmentally sound, and economically feasible.

The RCD was formed in 1987 as a legal subdivision of the State of California, governed by Division Nine of the Public Resources Code, to conserve natural resources within its borders. The District is wholly funded by grants, donations and contracts. It receives no general tax revenues.

The role of the publicly elected RCD Board of Directors is to take available technical, financial, and

educational resources, whatever their source, and focus or coordinate them so that they meet the needs of the local land user and local communities for conservation of natural resources.

In 2014 the RCD formed a non-profit organization, the Tehama Conservation Fund. This organization works in close partnership with the RCD to implement conservation related projects. The board members of the RCD also serve as board members for TCF. (www.tehama-conservation-fund.org)



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Education Day at the Fairgrounds

RCD directors serve four-year terms;

There is no limit to the amount of terms or length of time a director can serve; Directors are appointed by the County Board of Supervisors;

Both new and multiple term directors must qualify for office and take an oath of office upon (re)election or (re)appointment.

The board members of the RCD also serve as board members for the RCD's non-profit, the Tehama Conservation Fund (TCF).

The RCD meets the third Wednesday of each month. TCF meets 3-4 times/year immediately following the RCD meeting.

To qualify to serve as an RCD director, candidates must:

1. Be a registered voter in California;
2. Reside within the district;
3. Meet one of the below requirements:
 - Own land in the district;
 - Have served as an associate director for two years.
4. Or be appointed by a resident landowner as his/her agent if the potential board member is a registered voter who is **not** a district resident. A resident landowner must submit a statement assigning the director candidate as his/her agent for the purposes of serving on the RCD board.

Director Roles and Responsibilities

- 1) Attend and actively participate in monthly Board meetings, including reading Board Packets prior to the meetings.
- 2) Be familiar and ensure compliance with the RCD Mission Statement, Vision Statement, and Strategic Plan (available on request).

3) Provide input, oversight, and monitoring of the Annual Budget, financial statements, expenses, and staff budget requests or changes during the year.

4) Understand the implications of the Brown Act for Director meetings and conversations.

5) Participate on Special Committees, Ad Hoc Committees, or Task Forces as requested by the President or Vice President.

6) Promote the work of the RCD and its staff with the public, to include prospective clients and cooperators; and attend public meetings on behalf of the RCD when requested.

7) Support the work of the RCD through participation in Board-approved revenue generating efforts.

8) Participate in staff-recommended training sessions to improve knowledge of Board and RCD best practices.

9) Hire, evaluate and supervise the District Manager.

10) Review and approve RCD policies and procedures on a regular basis.

11) Promote and contribute to the recruitment of new Associate Directors and Directors as needed.

12) Provide mandated personal documentation as needed to maintain legal eligibility.

13) Participate in a regular process of organization evaluation, strategic planning, and identification of potential organization improvements and new opportunities.

14) Support the work of staff; promote a healthy, safe and productive workplace and environment; and assist staff to the degree possible when requested.



RCD Chipper and Crews creating a fuel break

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