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Local Work Group Meeting Announcement

2014 Farm Bill Program Input Meeting

The Resource Conservation District of Monterey County and the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) are holding the annual Local Work Group meeting on **August 15, 2013 from 1:00 pm-3:00 pm** to formulate locally-based recommendations regarding Farm Bill Program priorities that address the conservation needs of Monterey County. The recommendations from the Local Work Group will be forwarded to the NRCS State Technical Advisory Committee and the NRCS State Conservationist for their consideration.

Location: Salinas Elks Lodge
614 Airport Blvd., Salinas CA 93905

You are being invited to this meeting either because you have attended previous meetings, expressed interest in the Local Work Group, and/or have been identified by the RCD and NRCS as a representative of a local agency, organization, or unit of government that has knowledge about local natural resource issues and how those issues might be addressed using funding available under the Farm Bill.

Refer to the attached agenda for details.

Hope to see you at this years' meeting,

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Local Work Group Meeting Agenda 1:00pm to 3:00 pm
Salinas Elks Lodge, 614 Airport Blvd., Salinas CA 93905
15 August 2013

Introductions

Purpose of the Local Work Group/Stakeholder Meeting

NRCS Services and Programs

- Conservation Planning and Technical assistance
- Farm Bill Programs

RCD Services and Programs

- Irrigation and Nutrient Management
- Hillside farming erosion control assistance
- Santa Rita Creek Watershed area project assistance
- Salinas River Arundo control programmatic permits (2013) and projects funding (2014)
- Carmel Valley and Big Sur Watershed planning and project assistance
- Water Resources Project Coordination in the Gabilan Creek watershed

Resource Concerns

- National Resource Concerns
- Local Resource Concerns

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- Program Description
- Screening and Ranking Criteria based on Local Resource Concerns

Partnership opportunities – existing and potential with RCDs, grower groups, county, state and federal agencies, non-profit organizations and others

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