

<p>TNBC</p> <p>The Natomas Basin Conservancy</p> <p>Web site: www.natomasbasin.org</p> <p>Phone: (916) 649-3331</p>	<p>Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors</p>	<p>Upcoming Regular Meetings</p>	<p><i>t h e</i> NATOMAS BASIN <i>c o n s e r v a n c y</i></p> <p>May 2, 2012</p>
	<p>4:00 p.m.</p> <p>2150 River Plaza Drive, #460 Sacramento, CA <i>(Meeting in 1st floor Large Conference room.)</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • June 6 • August 1 • September 5 	

Agenda

Agenda format and readings tips

• Agenda packet sections

Agenda packet #	Section name	What's included
①	Agenda	This is the main agenda. Reading this section will provide the reader with an understanding of the plan for the meeting.
②	Supplemental materials	On some agenda items, there are handouts that are more extensive than can be covered in the "Discussion" section of the main agenda. These materials are included in agenda packet #2.
③	Executive Director's packet	The Executive Director includes items of general interest to the Board of Directors in agenda packet #3. The items in this packet are for general information, not action.
④	Executive Session	Material in this packet is for Board members' information in closed, executive session. It is confidential and not made public.

• Item organization

This agenda is prepared in order to facilitate understanding of the Conservancy Board of Director's agenda packet. Each agenda item is numbered in the far left-hand column. Then, as the reader moves from left to right, more information is provided. Ultimately, the far right-hand column presents a discussion of the agenda item.

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• Exhibit symbols attendant with agenda item

Agenda exhibit symbol in the "Pg." column	Definition
∅	There is no supplemental information that accompanies an agenda item.
①	There is more information in supplemental handouts.
2.21	Means that in agenda packet number 2, there will be supporting information on page 21.

• Staff agenda item recommendations symbols

In the "Discussion" column, there are a series of symbols used, also in order to facilitate quick understanding. These indicate the status of staff recommendations.

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2	Action	Approval of the minutes	Consent	2.1	⊕ The Board President will request approval of the minutes and consent items of the Board of Directors meeting of April 4, 2012.
3	Action	Cancellation of July 4, 2012 Board meeting	Consent	∅	⊕ The Board customarily cancels its July Board meeting because getting a quorum has typically been difficult due to the Independence Day (July 4) holiday.
4	Action	Grant easement in favor of PG&E to facilitate NCMWC lift pump on the Conservancy's Lucich South tract	Consent	2.7 ∅	⊕ The Board has previously been briefed on an easement in favor of PG&E through an existing Natomas Central Mutual water Company (NCMWC) easement. The easement would provide for underground power supply to the NCMWC's lift pumps on the northerly boundary of the Conservancy's Lucich South tract. The Conservancy requested the power line be installed underground so as to minimize chances of bird airstrikes with overhead power lines. NCMWC has complied with this request.
5	Discussion	City of Sacramento report	No action	∅	○ Report from the City of Sacramento regarding HCP-related activity and other topics.
6	Discussion	Financial statement review	No action	①	○ A financial statement will be provided for the period ended March 31, 2012 (unaudited). Additional financial information will be provided.
7	Discussion	Form 990 presentation to the Board for review	No action	①	○ As a "best practice," this item presents the Conservancy's draft 2011 IRS Form 990 for Board review. With the more recent versions of the IRS's Form 990, information is requested as to whether or not the Board has had a chance to review the Form 990 before it is submitted to the IRS.

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8	Discussion	Introduction to the Board of an evaluation of a program to accept contributions	No action	2.12	<p>○ Staff will share with the Board its plan to prepare a more extensive proposal to the Board that would authorize staff to begin to facilitate contributions to the Conservancy. The concept, while still preliminary, would include having a portal on the Conservancy's web site similar to that used by The Nature Conservancy, an international organization that is prominent in the field.</p> <p>The initial phase of the proposal has the Conservancy in a passive fundraising posture for reasons staff will share with the Board. In light of reports from the Journal of Philanthropy that indicate a surge of fundraising on established non-profit web sites compared to historically more conventional means, the concept could posture the Conservancy to yield revenue without interfering with its efforts to implement the HCPs, to not significantly raise the reported (to IRS) allocation of expenses to fundraising and away from programs, and to continue intact the Conservancy's tax exemption classification.</p> <p>Staff will seek Board counsel on whether to proceed with this and to place an item on a future Board agenda for action.</p>
9	Discussion	Update and discussion on the Conservancy's proposed preserve limited and controlled public access plan	No action	2.15	<p>⊕ In previous meetings, the Board has discussed a plan to prepare one of the Conservancy's preserves for limited and controlled public access (a "pilot" project).</p> <p>This agenda item follows up with the April 4, 2012 Board meeting, where the Conservancy clarified for the wildlife Agencies the following issues:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> --That the purpose of the initiative is for educational as opposed to recreational, and all programs and projects will comply with an educational and research function; --that if the Natomas Farms pilot project works well, that the Silva tract is opened up for public access in the future and that these would be the only preserves impacted by the public access project; --the Conservancy staff will be diligent about making certain HCP fee payers will not have to foot the bill for these programs and that they will be paid for by grants or donations and that the project will only move forward if grants and donations or similar sources of non-HCP fee payer money is identified and secured; --at this point, the Conservancy cannot see a path going forward that would include installation and maintenance of public restrooms. <p>This item simply advises the Board of progress on this project and seeks Board comments.</p>
10	Discussion	Endowment funds investments: update	No action	∅	<p>○ T. Rowe Price's Pam Kossian will provide an endowment funds investment report for the</p>

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		report by investment manager			Board via conference call.
11	Discussion	Water supply and fencing request from neighbor in Fisherman's Lake Reserve Area	No action	∅	○ Staff will brief the Board on a request from a neighboring land owner for irrigation supply and fencing actions.
12	Discussion	Conservancy projects with the Sacramento Area Flood Control Agency (SAFCA)	No action	2.18	○ A briefing will be provided to the Board on the relationship the Conservancy has with SAFCA.
13	Discussion	Review of insurance policy renewals	No action	2.19	○ Staff will review with the Board the insurance policy renewals and also discuss environmental liability insurance.
14	Public Comments	Public Comments	No action	∅	○ Opportunity for members of the public to address the Conservancy's Board of Directors.
15	Executive Session	Executive Session	Action	∅	○ No Executive Session is scheduled.
16	Executive Director's Report	Executive Director's Report	No action	3.1	○ Various matters for Board members' general information will be presented by the Conservancy's Executive Director.
17	Adjournment	Adjournment	Admin.	∅	○ Official adjournment of the meeting.

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