

<p><b>TNBC</b></p>	<p><b>Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors</b></p>	<p><b>Upcoming Regular Meetings</b></p>	<p><i>t h e</i> <b>NATOMAS</b> <b>BASIN</b> <i>c o n s e r v a n c y</i></p>
<p>The Natomas Basin Conservancy Web site: <a href="http://www.natomasbasin.org">www.natomasbasin.org</a></p>	<p>4:00 p.m. 2150 River Plaza Drive, #460 Sacramento, CA <i>(meeting in Suite 400)</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• August 5</li> <li>• September 2</li> <li>• October 7</li> </ul>	<p><b>June 3, 2009</b></p>

# 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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1	Call to Order	Call to Order of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors	Admin.	∅	○ The Board President will call the meeting to order if a quorum is present. Announcements by the Board President or Executive Director may be made at this time.
2	Action	Approval of the Minutes	Consent	2.1	⊕ The Board President will request approval of the minutes of the Board of Directors meeting of May 6, 2009.
3	Action	Approval of budget allocation for field leveling, Tufts tract and Ruby Ranch tract	Consent	∅	<p>⊕ The Conservancy's Tufts and Ruby Ranch tracts require precision leveling. The Conservancy has typically had to engage in rice field leveling after a property has been acquired. These properties have not yet been leveled.</p> <p>Leveling is typically expensive, but is needed for efficient water use, uniform yields, weed management (herbicide use reduction), fertilizer use reduction and other agronomic issues (water level adjustment for temperature management, etc.).</p> <p>The 91-acre Ruby Ranch tract (tract #23 on the Conservancy's Base Map) and the 148-acre Tufts tract (tract #27 on the Conservancy's Base Map) are important components of the Conservancy's fulfillment of the 50 percent rice land use allocation required in the 2003 NBHCP. They provide giant garter snake support in an area known to have healthy populations. Therefore, keeping them viable is essential.</p> <p>The farming contractor on the two tracts, Sopwith Farms, has agreed to conduct the pre-leveling land preparation costs such as chiseling, discing and landplaning at its own expense. Doug Stanton has conducted engineering on previous rice field precision leveling projects and is proposed as a contractor to the Conservancy to provide engineering services intended to reduce haul distances and minimize costs. Stanton engineered the successful Elsie and Nestor tract leveling projects conducted in the past couple of years.</p> <p>Staff recommends that the farming contractor on the tracts, Sopwith Farms, and the engineer</p>

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					<p>noted above (Doug Stanton) be hired by the Conservancy on an hourly basis to conduct this work. Sopwith Farms has agreed to cap the charges at \$9,000.00 for Ruby Ranch (compared to the 2009 Conservancy budget of \$13,650.00) and \$22,193.00 for Tufts (compared to the 2009 Conservancy budget of \$22,200.00). However, since this effort has a cost share arrangement (see tenant's land preparation cost discussion above), we expect the final amount of hours necessary to complete the job will result in less cost to the Conservancy. Stanton's costs will not exceed \$4,000.00.</p> <p>Staff recommends the Board authorize the Conservancy Executive Director to engage Sopwith Farms and Doug Stanton on an hourly basis to complete the engineering and precision leveling of the Ruby Ranch and Tufts tracts rice fields. The amounts authorized are "not to exceed" amounts as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•\$9,000.00 for Ruby Ranch</li> <li>•\$22,193.00 for Tufts</li> <li>•\$4,000.00 for engineering services.</li> </ul>
4	Action	Extension of land management contract with Sopwith Farms through December 31, 2009	Consent	2.8	<p>⊕ The land management contract with Sopwith Farms has expired. Staff proposes that the two-year agreement be extended through the end of 2009 under the same terms and conditions as the Board approved for the two-year agreement for 2007 and 2008. Staff plans to return to the Board this fall with an updated proposal for a new two-year agreement to take effect January 1, 2010.</p> <p>This action authorizes the Executive Director to execute and deliver the contract extension for land management services with Sopwith Farms for a period ending December 31, 2009.</p>
5	Action	Authorization to further engage Westervelt Ecological Services, Inc. for support functions on the BKS South Course channel maintenance project	Consent	∅	<p>⊕ The BKS South Course channel clearing and maintenance project calls for a number of support services to provide compliance and related functions. In the past, most of these functions have been performed by a contract manager, but the Conservancy is attempting to complete this project without the use of a contract manager in order to save money. However, certain functions require specialized expertise not available on the Conservancy's staff.</p> <p>Westervelt Ecological Services conducted the engineering work requested by the Board for the bid proposals on the project, among other functions. The cost of the services is at risk of exceeding the Executive Director's spending authority. The functions needing completion include: 1.) continued project site biological monitoring, 2.) SWPPP permit follow-up and completion, 3.) seeding plan for erosion control, 4.) informal as-built drawings following channel maintenance project completion, 5.) worker environmental education presentation and follow-up, 6.) grade checking to insure the</p>

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					<p>project contractor completes the job according to plan. There is more than adequate budget allocation for this expenditure.</p> <p>This item requests that the Board authorize the Conservancy's Executive Director to spend up to \$25,000.00 with Westervelt Ecological Services, Inc. in order to complete these services.</p>
6	Action	Agreement with the Sacramento Area Flood Control Agency (SAFCA) regarding mitigation activities for the Natomas Levee Improvement Project (NLIP)	Action	①	<p>⊕ The Board has previously approved a "Master Agreement" between the Conservancy and Sacramento Area Flood Control Agency (SAFCA). The Master Agreement covers activities envisioned between the Conservancy and SAFCA whereby the Conservancy would provide certain management and related services for SAFCA on SAFCA mitigation projects such that they assist in the implementation of--or are supportive of--the NBHCP.</p> <p>The Board further requested that the subsequent project approvals be made by incremental agreements rather than conducting frequent revisions of the Master Agreement.</p> <p>This action requests that the Board authorize the Executive Director to execute and deliver agreements with SAFCA, approved as to form by Conservancy Legal Counsel, which engage the services of the Conservancy to assist SAFCA in this mission. The subject of this agenda item is an agreement titled the "Implementation Agreement," and consists of exhibits as follows: A.) Brookfield project area, B.) mitigation properties defined, C.) deed of conservation easement in favor of the Conservancy, D.) site-specific management plan (SSMP) for the Brookfield site, E.) financial documentation.</p>
7	Discussion	City of Sacramento report	No action	∅	○ Report from the City of Sacramento regarding HCP-related activity and other topics.
8	Discussion	Financial statement review	No action	①	○ A financial statement update will be provided for the period ended April 30, 2009 (unaudited).
9	Discussion	Update report: Measure M/Sutter Pointe	No action	∅	○ County of Sutter representatives will be present regarding a proposal to develop up to approximately 7,500 acres in the Sutter County portion of the Natomas Basin. Generalized maps and environmental permitting information have been circulated for public review. Doug Libby from the County of Sutter will brief the Conservancy's Board on the status of the Sutter Pointe project and discuss some of the implications for the Conservancy's efforts to implement the HCP.
10	Discussion	Insurance update, commercial lines	No action	①	○ Conservancy staff meets annually with the Conservancy's insurance broker to review the coverage needed and the policies provided. Last meeting, staff reviewed with the Board the directors and officers liability and related policies. This meeting, staff will share with the Board the results of the recent review of the commercial lines, including commercial general

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11	Discussion	Investment Advisor year-end report covering Conservancy's endowment funds	No action	①	○ A report will be presented on the first quarter 2009 performance of the Conservancy's endowment funds. Sheree Arntson of Arnerich & Massena will present.
12	Public Comments	Public Comments	No action	∅	○ Opportunity for members of the public to address the Conservancy's Board of Directors.
13	Executive Session	Executive Session – Real Estate	Action	∅	○ Executive Session for real estate is planned.
14	Executive Director's Report	Executive Director's Report	No action	①	○ Various matters for Board members' general information.
15	Adjournment	Adjournment	Admin.	∅	○ Official adjournment of the meeting.

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