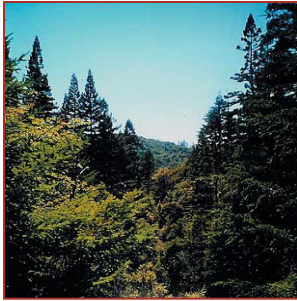
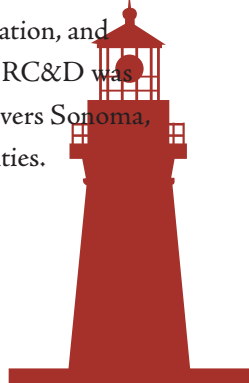


## WHAT IS THE RC&D?

The North Coast Resource Conservation and Development Council (RC&D) is a multi-county, 501(c)3 nonprofit, community based organization that helps people protect and develop their economic, natural, and social resources in ways that improve their area's economy, environment, and quality of life. The RC&D brings together people, needs, concerns, opportunities, and solutions.



- The RC&D Program is a partnership between the
- USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service
- and local communities. Local sponsors apply to
- the USDA Secretary of Agriculture for authorization. Once authorized, the USDA is committed to
- providing both financial and technical assistance.
- There are 375 RC&Ds across the nation, and
- 12 in California. The North Coast RC&D was
- formally established in 2003 and covers Sonoma,
- Marin, Lake, and Mendocino Counties.



## NORTH COAST RC&D

### MISSION

*To promote partnerships that will initiate, support and implement projects responsive to the needs of the people in the North Coast RC&D Area, focusing on opportunities in agriculture economic and community development, and education.*

### GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

#### Land Conservation

Agricultural Diversity—encourage diversity so family farms can maintain economic stability, including agro-tourism and nature tourism.

Fire and Fuels Management—support projects to reduce wildland fire fuels and the economic use of fire fuel loads to produce energy.

Energy Management—support regional energy sources, such as biomass energy facilities.

Weed Management—encourage efforts to control and eradicate invasive species.

Natural Landscape Management—support education for management of sudden oak death disease areas.

#### Water Management

Assist in the enhancement of water quality and quantity in the area.

#### Community Development

Support rural and agricultural economic development, farm worker housing and healthcare, and agricultural and natural resource education.

## 2007 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Finalized a \$30,000 US Forest Service funded study of biomass quantity and potential utilization for energy in Mendocino County.
- Funded supplemental technical assistance regarding biomass fuel study to City of Fort Bragg.
- Researched and published a prefeasibility biomass power assessment for Fort Bragg.
- Received \$25,000 grant to provide detailed economic analysis for biomass combined heat and power project at Parlin Fork.
- Received \$3,500 grant to fund economic analysis of potential commercial biomass power plant in Fort Bragg.
- Assisted Marin RCD with publication of "Ground Works".
- Prepared a request to USFS with Mendocino and Sonoma Fire Safe Councils and CalFire for expanded fuels reduction.
- Participated in legislative outreach sessions of California Association of RC&D's biomass effort 2007.
- Assisted UC Extension in identifying potential foundation funding for a community supported agriculture effort with local meats.



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## RC&D SPONSORS

County of Sonoma

County of Marin

County of Mendocino

County of Lake

Resource Conservation Districts:

Gold Ridge RCD

Marin RCD

Mendocino County RCD

Sotoyome RCD

Southern Sonoma RCD

West Lake RCD

- Community Foundation Sonoma County
- Individual members at large

## OFFICERS & MEMBERS

- John Black, Vice Chair (Gold Ridge RCD)
- J. David Colfax, Mendocino Supervisor
- Jan Olave, (Mendocino RCD)
- Ron Rolleri, Secretary (Sotoyome RCD)
- Nancy Scolari
- Richard Smith (West Lake RCD)
- Susan Warner, Treasurer

*This institution is an equal opportunity provider.*

## 2007 FINANCIAL REPORT

BALANCE FORWARD	\$18,941
INCOME DURING 2007	\$3,590
EXPENSES DURING 2007	
PROJECTS: \$9,870	
ADMIN: \$5,393	
TOTAL	\$15,263
ENDING BALANCE	\$7,268

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