

## **M E M O**

**TO:** District Manager

**FROM:** Environmental Analyst

**SUBJECT:** ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMS STATUS REPORT  
WEEK ENDING FEBRUARY 26, 2010

**DATE:** February 25, 2010

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the District Manager review and file the Environmental Programs Status Report for the week ending February 26, 2010.

### **BACKGROUND:**

#### **EDUCATION PROGRAM**

The deadline for the District's 2010 education program grant applications is March 10, 2010. A meeting of the Board's Education Advisory Commission to review applications is scheduled for March 30, 2010. This year, staff has received more inquiries than in previous years from potential grant applicants.

Staff attended a Science Fair poster review session at San Lorenzo Valley High School on February 18, 2010, and participated in the Watershed Academy Advisory committee meeting on February 24, 2010.

#### **WATERSHED PLAN**

The Environmental Committee reviewed and discussed the draft Chapter 8, "Watershed Administration," policies in the District's Watershed Plan, Part II: Goals, Objectives and Policies. The committee will review and consider the entire Part II for recommendation to the board at the next committee meeting scheduled for March 18, 2010.

#### **DISTRICT'S 2008 GREENHOUSE GAS (GHG) INVENTORY**

Staff presented a report on District's 2006-2008 GHG Inventories, which have been certified by California Climate Action Registry on February 11, 2010. The committee requested staff to present a summary to the full board at the March 4, 2010 board meeting.

## WEED MANAGEMENT AREA (WMA)

Staff attended a WMA meeting on February 24, 2010. Staff is completing a supplemental WMA grant proposal to help fund continued invasive plant species eradication on the District's Olympia Wellfield property. Selected grants will be funded for CYs 2011-2012.

## WATER CONSERVATION


Staff is revising garden resources information for the GardenSoft project, a cooperative effort of the interagency Water Conservation Coalition. The next meeting is scheduled for March 22, 2010.

## OLYMPIA WELLFIELD MANAGEMENT

Burning of acacia felled this past year at Olympia wellfield has begun. Broom pulling, funded under the USFWS Partners Grant, will begin when the burning is completed. Staff is beginning to work on recruiting volunteers.

## BONNY DOON FIRESAFE COUNCIL

Staff attended the formative meeting of the Bonny Doon Firesafe Council on February 17, 2010, as an invited representative of the District. The planning area of Bonny Doon is adjacent to the District's Ben Lomond Mountain watershed property.

  
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