Memo: Pacific Region Monthly Update – April 30, 2020
To: NACD Board Members; State Association Staff; NRCS State-Level Partners; Other Individuals with an Interest in NACD’s Pacific Activities

Hello Pacific Region Colleagues!

We hope this email continues to find you and your families safe and healthy. Especially during this unique spring we currently find ourselves in, we send a heartfelt thanks to all of you for your continued dedication to the conservation partnership. We may not be able to meet in person any time soon, but the conversations we have had in the past two months showcase the strong connections within the district family. Please continue to reach out to Ariel with any questions, comments, thoughts and joy as we evaluate how to move through the remainder of the year.

- Kit Tillotson (ID, Pacific Region Chair, kittillotson@gmail.com)
- Tom Wehri (CA, Executive Board Member, wehritom@gmail.com)
- Ariel Rivers (CA, NACD Pacific Region Representative, ariel-rivers@nacdnet.org; (925) 290-8925)

NACD Updates and News:

- Happy Stewardship Week, celebrating Where would we BEE without Pollinators! If you have conducted any virtual activities, have news articles to share, etc., please contact our Stewardship and Education Coordinator, Diana Blackwood.
- Giving Tuesday comes early this year! If you are in a position to donate to the national conservation partnership, please consider our ongoing fundraising campaigns for the Friends of NACD District Grant Program, and the National Conservation Foundation. Donors to these programs have provided 4 district grants across the nation, as well as supported the first class of the Next Generation Leadership Institute.
- Meeting Updates:
  - The 2020 Pacific and Southwest Joint Region Meeting in Lahaina, HI (September) has been postponed.
  - The 2020 Summer Conservation Forum and Tour in Bismarck, ND (July) has also been postponed.
  - More information will be posted on the Pacific webpage and in the weekly eResource as it becomes available.
- COVID-19 Information and Responses:
  - Several state associations in the Pacific are planning to host virtual annual board meetings (HACD, June) or are evaluating the option to do so (WACD, December). If you plan to host a virtual meeting and are in need of resources or support, please contact Ariel.
  - Additional resources attached, including:
    - A guide from the real estate industry regarding re-opening the workplace
    - A report on the Strategic Economic Impact of COVID on Associations
    - Accessibility information for virtual meetings
  - The Conservation Planning Boot Camp Sessions for May and June have been cancelled, but district employees may still apply for sessions later in the year.
  - ICYMI: NACD in the News - NACD President-elect Michael Crowder spoke with BARN Media’s Brian Allmer on Thursday about the current agricultural issues in light of the COVID-19 (coronavirus) pandemic.
• **Update on NACD Dues:**
  o Like other organizations, NACD will likely see reduced revenues this fiscal year due to the cancellation of events and a reduction in dues. However, we will continue to support our members through our various partnership, advocacy, education, and other activities.
  o Attached, please find an updated report on dues paid by each state in FY 2020, as of today; you may also access this information for the region and each individual state via the [NACD Board of Directors Page](#).
  o Pacific dues have increased by an additional ~$13K since Annual Meeting in Las Vegas; thank you to our NACD Board Members and Officers for encouraging districts to support NACD and our ability to provide membership services.
  o For any support in communicating the value of NACD, questions about districts who have paid, or thoughts on additional membership services, please contact Ariel.

• **Please see the Upcoming Deadlines, Events and Reminders section below for other important dates and deadlines for NACD’s grants and other programs.**

**Partner Updates:**
- USDA National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA) is currently accepting applications through June 3, 2020 for their [Community Food Projects Grant](#).
- The Xerces Society is starting a [weekly webinar](#) series on Thursdays, 10 AM (PDT), with upcoming webinars focused on PNW bumble bees, ground nesting bees, and other mini-fauna. They are also accepting speaker requests.
- Congratulations to several conservation districts in Oregon and Washington who received funds through NRCS for the [Regional Conservation Partnership Program](#). If you know of success stories to share out of these partnership activities, please contact Ariel.

**Upcoming Deadlines, Events and Reminders:**
- **May 21, 2020:** NACD Urban and Community Webinar – Stormwater Management (CA and WA)
- **May 18, 2020:** EPA seeks comments on draft biological evaluations (BEs) for carbaryl and methomyl.
- **June 1, 2020:** Deadline for the TA 2020 grant application
- **POSTPONED:** July 18-21, 2020: NACD Summer Meeting, Bismarck, ND
- **POSTPONED:** Sept. 15-17, 2020: Pacific and Southwest Joint Region Meeting, Maui, HI
- **Ongoing:** [National Conservation Foundation Fundraising Campaign](#)
- **Ongoing:** Opportunity to support district grants by donating to [Friends of NACD](#)

**Recent Multimedia:**
*Recent posts, news and information about successful district projects and regional activities.*

- **Blogs:**
  o [NACD Offers Educational Pollinator Field Day Guide](#)
- **eResource:**
  o [Conservation Districts and Paid Leave Under the Families First Act](#)
  o [NACD Requests Additional Support for Conservation Districts in Next Stimulus](#)
  o [Conservation Districts Lead Nine RCPP Projects](#)
  o [NACD Kicks Off 65th Annual Stewardship Week](#)
  o [Get Ready for Giving Tuesday](#)
- **Forestry Notes:**
  o [District Receives Grant to Maintain Riparian Forest Buffer](#) (WA)
• **FY 2020 NACD Webinars from the Pacific** (available for viewing on demand)
  - April 16: [Pollinators Research](#) (WA, CA)
  - January 16: [Reaching out through Urban Agriculture](#) (CA)
  - December 19: [Developing a Successful Community Wildfire Preparedness Program](#) (WA)

**Helpful NACD Links**
- [NACD Members Only Section](#)
- [NACD Board of Directors Page](#)
- [NACD 2020 Annual Meeting](#)
- [Friends of NACD](#)
- [NACD Marketplace](#)
- [NACD Speaker Request Form](#)

If you have any events, job postings, news, etc. that you would like to share with the group, please let us know, and we will be happy to distribute that information.

Thank you and take care!
Kit, Tom, and Ariel
Pacific Dues Contributions FY 2020 (as of April 30, 2020):

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Nationwide summaries, FY 2019 and FY 2018:

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